Chart of the Day





On Wednesday Sept 17, King Charles III hosted US President Donald Trump at Windsor Castle for a formal state banquet rich in British royal pageantry.

The 164 foot-long mahogany table ran the entire length of St. George's Hall, set with more than 1,450 pieces of hand-polished cutlery, 139 candles and a range of silver-gilt centerpieces from the Royal Collection.

The official menu was a three-course meal with wine pairings, starting with quail egg salad, a main course of Norfolk chicken ballotine wrapped in zucchini, and a vanilla ice cream dessert with Kentish raspberry sorbet interior and lightly poached Victoria plums. A 1945 vintage port was also served in recognition of President Trump's standing as the 45th and 47th President of the United States.

More consequential than the menu and setting, however, was the carefully crafted 160 person guest list. By seating eight of the most prominent US tech sector executives alongside British royalty and top UK business executives, a very clear message was on display regarding US-UK cooperation in this new era of economic diplomacy and warfare, one that will be increasingly defined by AI. Amidst the pageantry, both King Charles and President Trump gave toasts which emphasized the "special relationship" between the UK and US in times of war and peace.

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Selected attendees at the US & UK state dinner at Windsor Castle (September 17, 2025)



President
Donald J. Trump
United States



King
Charles III
United Kingdom



Prime Minister
Keir Starmer
United Kingdom



Tim Cook CEO of Apple



Jensen Huang

President &
CEO of Nvidia



Sam Altman

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Satya Nadella

CEO of Microsoft



Andy Jassy

President &
CEO of Amazon



Ruth Porat

President & CIO

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