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BALEARICS BRACED FOR BRITISH BOOSTER

The Balearic tourist industry is hoping that the review of UK travel restrictions goes ahead on January 5 and makes travel easier, sparking a revival in bookings: **Page 3**

1,000 more cases on Christmas Day

Health yesterday reported 1,053 new norca is where it is highest, with 972 fully vaccinated, including those who cases of covid-19 in 24 nours in the Balearics, taking the total number of cases detected since the pandemic began to 122,316 in the region.

The number of deaths remains at 1,053.

The cumulative incidence over the last 14 days has risen to 904 per

Palma.—The Balearic Ministry of 100,000 inhabitants. By islands, Micases per 100,000; followed by Majorca with 916, Ibiza with 840 and Formentera with 243.

Of the 1,053 cases detected on the last day, 916 were in Majorca, 110 in Minorca, 41 in Ibiza and 3 in Formentera. There are also 74 cases not assigned to a specific island.

A total of 919,764 people have been have received the booster dose, 65 more than the day before, 82.18% of the population aged 5 and over.

According to the latest available data from Friday 24, hospitals were treating 218 patients on the ward with covid-19 and 55 in intensive



Queen Elizabeth speaks of missing her husband's 'familiar laugh' at Christmas

the loss of her husband Prince Philip yesterday, remembering the "mischievous twinkle" in his eyes in an unusually personal Christmas message to the nation.

The 95-year-old monarch said that while Christmas was a time of happiness for many, it could be hard for those who had lost loved ones, and this year especially she understood why, having lost Philip, 99, in April after 73 years of marriage.

"His sense of service, intellectual curiosity and capacity to squeeze fun out of any situation were all irrepressible," she said in her traditional pre-recorded festive broadcast, paying tribute to "my beloved Philip".

"That mischievous enquiring twinkle was as bright at the end as when I first set eyes on him," she

The queen said she knew Philip would want his family to enjoy Christmas, and there would be joy for them despite the absence of his "familiar laugh".

She delivered her address seated at a desk on which stood a photograph of herself and Philip, standing arm-in-arm and smiling at each other. The photo was taken in 2007, when the couple were marking their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

For her broadcast, the queen wore a sapphire brooch that she wore on her

• Queen Elizabeth spoke of honeymoon in 1947 and for the Diamond Wedding portrait. Photos of her and Philip at various stages of their lives appeared on the screen while she spoke.

Elizabeth is spending Christmas at Windsor Castle for the second year running, a break from royal tradition caused by the CO-VID-19 pandemic. A palace source said this reflected a precautionary approach when the Omicron variant is spreading fast.



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