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*Carludovica*

*Cyclanthaceae*

*Carludovica* commemorates a Spanish Bourbon king, Carlos IV (1748-1819). He ruled from 1788 until his forced abdication in 1808, ultimately in favour of Napoleon Bonaparte's brother Joseph (1768-1844). He ended his days in exile in Rome. Historians describe how his wife, Maria Louisa of Parma (1751-1819) – and her lover Manuel de Godoy (1767-1851), who became prime minister in 1792 – determined his decisions and it was during his reign that Nelson defeated the Spanish fleet in 1805 at Trafalgar..