

Queen Mahamaya's Dream

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Queen Mahamaya was the wife of King Suddhodana of Kapilawasthu. One Esala (month of July) Full moon poya day the Queen had a dream.

She felt that she was carried by Devas to the lake Anotatta in the Himalayas. She was bathed in the lake Anotatta and was dressed in heavenly clothes. The Queen dreamt a white baby elephant holding a white lotus in its trunk. The elephant went around her three times and finally entered her body. She woke up and realized that it was a dream.

The next day Queen Mahamaya told King Suddhodana about the dream. King Suddhodana called some wise men. They said that the Queen is to become a mother to a baby boy. They said "The Queen was chosen to be the mother of the Purest-one and the child will become a very great being". The King and Queen were very happy.

