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COLLINS: An exceptional honour.

I'm a coach ma'am

Samantha Collins swapped the coach's couch for more regal surroundings when she attended a Buckingham Palace reception for outstanding women last week. The founder and managing director of Aspire, a City of London coaching firm that specialises in female leadership, was among 200 women invited to the palace by the Queen on Valentine's Day. They were named as the top 200 women in business.



"It's an exceptional honour," said Collins. "No other coach or coaching company has been honoured like this. For me, this marks the coming of age of the coaching profession. Now I really feel I'm flying the flag for coaching, only this time, it's a royal one."

Other businesswomen who joined the royal throng included upmarket aromatic candle maker J O Malone, and Australian model Elle McPherson.