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This article examines the role of women in Macedonian monarchy. It argues that legitimate political action was not linked to office but rather to membership in the royal clan, that the essence of Macedonian monarchy was the persistent domination of that clan rather than the rule of an individual Argead. The prominence of royal women was not accidental and the actions of royal women were not peripheral or illegitimate. They were part, not apart from *basileia*.