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The Royal Wedding: The Official Westminster Abbey Souvenir
Synopsis

Westminster Abbey’s official book on the Royal Wedding  Over 20 stunning pictures of this momentous occasion  Authoritative account of their seven year friendship and subsequent engagement  Includes a fascinating presentation of other Royal Weddings at the Abbey  This stunning book is Westminster Abbey’s official publication on this Royal Wedding and is a unique and unrivalled souvenir to the momentous occasion, taking place on the 29th April 2011 in one of the most famous buildings in the world. It showcases photographs of the wedding exclusive to the Abbey, plus a selection of the best press photography. It gives an authoritative account of William and Catherine’s friendship and subsequent engagement; and includes an overview of other royal weddings held at the Abbey. The occasion of HRH Prince William’s marriage to Catherine Middleton is a Royal Wedding steeped in history. The couple chose Westminster Abbey because of its "staggering beauty, its 1000 years of royal history and its relative intimacy despite its size”. In the last 100 years, Westminster Abbey has played host to ten royal weddings, including those of The Duke of York to Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon (who became George VI and Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother) and The Queen, then Princess Elizabeth, to Lieutenant Phillip Mountbatten. The coronation of every crowned monarch has taken place in the Abbey since it was built by Edward the Confessor on the site of a former monastery in the 11th century - the first that of William the Conqueror in 1066 and the most recent that of William’s grandmother Elizabeth II in 1953. James Wilkinson has been associated with the Abbey since he was a chorister there in the early 1950s; in 1953 he sang at the Queen’s coronation. During a career in journalism he was the BBC's science correspondent for twenty-five years. He is now one of the Abbey’s Honorary Stewards and the author of many publications about the Abbey.

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having purchased several of the other royal wedding publications available, i admit that i had no real expectation for this souvenir booklet. that being said, it turned out to be quite lovely! be forewarned, this booklet is exactly that: a booklet. in total it is 40 pages; most of those pages are devoted to the wedding itself, with a few here and there on royal wedding history, as well as william and catherine’s courtship. there are some lovely wide shots of the ceremony, as well as a large image of the balcony kiss. the booklet is concluded with a 5x7ish image of the two of them in the aston martin driving away. i’m not sure how highly i would recommend this to potential purchasers, even though i am pleased to add it to my collection. the publication i would most recommend is david elliot cohen’s book “william & catherine: their romance and royal wedding in photographs.” i have found it to be the most comprehensive and quality publication available. again, i am pleased this is part of my collection, however short it may be.

The Royal Wedding: The Official Westminster Abbey Souvenir: This is the best souvenir book about the Royal Wedding for the money I own & I have purchased quite a few. Save your money. This book has everything you are looking for regarding the spectacular wedding of Prince William to Catherine Middleton & it will not take up a lot of room on your bookshelf! It will also make a great gift for the Prince William and/or Kate Middleton fan in your life!

If you are a Royalty Fan then you will love this, there will be no disappointment from any page, especially as it is in Colour! Even if it was in Black and White photography it would still not disappoint.

Full of wonderful photos, many that were not available on the net and in the newspapers. A great crowd pleaser conversation piece on the coffee table.

The pictures in the book are absolutely beautiful and when I look at them, it’s almost like watching the Royal Wedding all over again. The only complaint that I have is that the Order of Service (Wedding Program) wasn’t included in the book. Aside from that, it’s a very good book.
It's a great collector who are interested like me about Britain's Royal family. Being a fan of Princess Diana, I could not lose the opportunity of buy this book about her son's wedding. It's well made and includes all the highlights of the Royal Wedding in photographs. I recommend this book to all who love Prince William.

I was one of the Americans that awoke 3 am EST to view the Royal Wedding in "real time." Switching back and forth between several channels (along with wake-up coffee) last year, viewing this DVD by BBC was a royal treat. BBC's coverage was thorough. The camera angles were complete, the sound and color was magnificent and truthfully, I could find nothing but royal enjoyment reliving this beautiful time 15 months later.

I received this book as a gift for Christmas, and I absolutely love it. I especially enjoyed reading about the history of royal weddings and seeing all the photos from them. I would recommend this book to anyone who is a fan of the British Royal Family.

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