

# The Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II: A Historical Extravaganza



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On June 2, 1953, millions of people around the world watched as Elizabeth II was crowned Queen of the United Kingdom in a lavish and unforgettable ceremony. The coronation was a grand affair, with over 8,000 guests in attendance and millions more watching on television. It was a day of celebration and pageantry, and a reminder of the long and rich history of the British monarchy.

The planning for the coronation began almost immediately after Elizabeth's father, King George VI, died in February 1952. The ceremony was planned by the Earl Marshal, the Duke of Norfolk, and it was to be held at Westminster Abbey, the traditional site of royal coronations. The abbey was extensively decorated for the occasion, with new carpets, hangings, and a throne specially made for the Queen.

The day of the coronation dawned bright and sunny, and the crowds began to gather outside Westminster Abbey early in the morning. The Queen arrived at the abbey in the Gold State Coach, accompanied by her husband, Prince Philip. She was wearing a white satin dress and a diamond tiara, and she carried the Imperial State Crown, which weighs over five pounds.

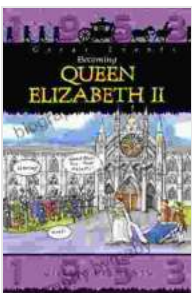


The coronation ceremony began with the Archbishop of Canterbury anointing the Queen with holy oil. He then placed the Imperial State Crown on her head, and the congregation shouted "God save the Queen!"

After the coronation, the Queen returned to Buckingham Palace in a procession that included over 1,000 soldiers and musicians. She appeared on the balcony of the palace to wave to the cheering crowds, and then she and Prince Philip retired to their private apartments.

The coronation of Queen Elizabeth II was a historic event that was enjoyed by millions of people around the world. It was a day of celebration and pageantry, and it was a reminder of the long and rich history of the British monarchy.

The Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II: A Historical Extravaganza by Christopher Hibbert is a fascinating account of the planning and execution of the coronation. The book is filled with behind-the-scenes details and anecdotes, and it provides a unique insight into one of the most important events in British history.



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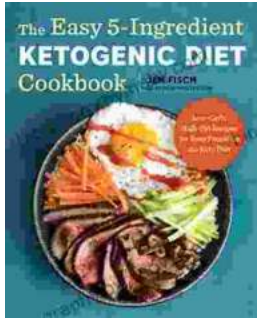
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