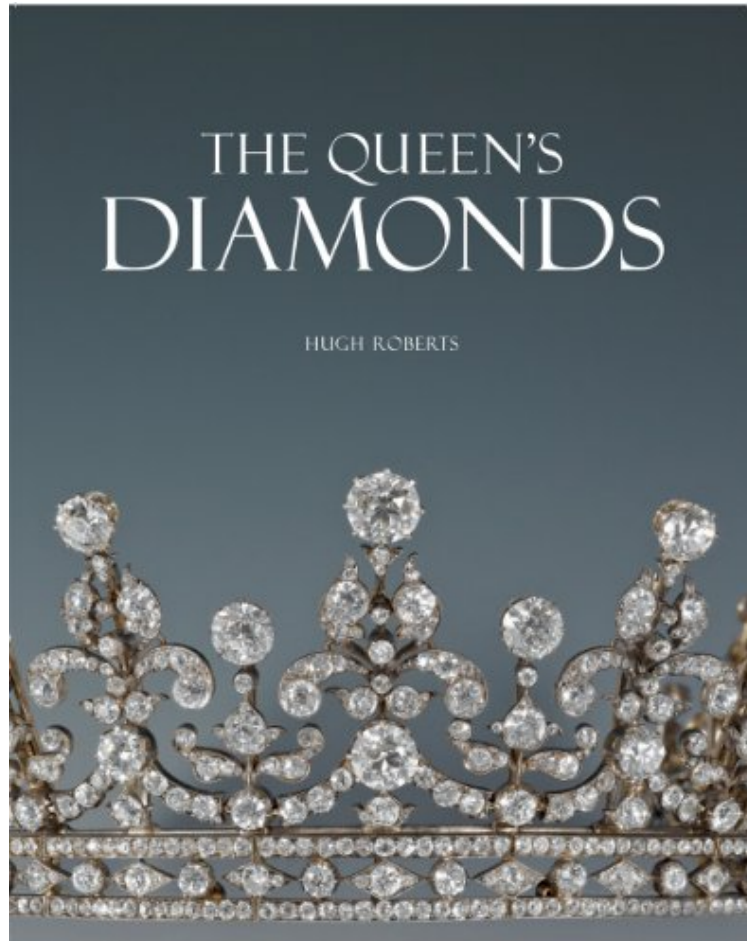



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52 of 54 people found the following review helpful. Sparkling StunningBy Z. MyersThis coffee table sized book is a visual feast with life sized photos of each piece - tiaras, crowns, diadems, bracelets, necklaces, brooches, earrings and rings. Some are also shown through enlarged photos. Presented chronologically according to its original owner, the list begins with Queen Adelaide and continues through to HM Queen Elizabeth. The history of each piece along with photos of the queens who wore it gives a fascinating glimpse of how these priceless pieces have been changed to fit fashion. Though the book is a bit pricey, 's price is considerably cheaper than ordering it from the Royal Collection (I checked.) The quality of the paper, the color printing, and the graphic layout are of the unsurpassed quality one would expect from an official royal release. For anyone interested in history, British royalty, or diamond jewelry, this book is a treasure.24 of 24 people found the following review helpful. Diamonds are everyone's best friendsBy Jose F. Santiago-IlorensLike a diamond this book is flawless, stunning, brilliant and forever. A very small but illustrative part

of the queen's jewelry collection concentrating in diamonds (only pearls and two emeralds examples are added to the mix) is given to the reader's consideration. The photos are perfect and in many examples details of backings give a view of the remarkable craftsmanship of the jewels. The text not only clarifies the origins of some of the baubles but also the sentimental history is commented. If you have Leslie Fields early book *The Queen's Jewels*, the two books are a perfect match. 26 of 26 people found the following review helpful. Photos are to drool over. By B. Weaves Big, luscious photos with close-ups of the jewels. I just wish it covered more of Queen Elizabeth's collection. I have "The Queen's Jewels" and "The Royal Jewels" which cover many of the other gems, but I was hoping for more, given this book is so much bigger. Still, I'm very happy with the quality of the photography, and the size of the photos.

The splendor and sparkle of the diamond is unmatched by that of any other gem in the world. As status symbols or emblems of endless love, diamonds have been worn, collected, and presented as lavish gifts since the earliest days of antiquity. Today, steady sales and borrowed baubles on the arms of starlets indicate that diamonds remain among the most sought-after gemstones. But few, if any, private collections surpass that of Queen Elizabeth II. *The Queen's Diamonds* takes readers on a tour of the magnificent royal inheritance of diamonds from Queen Adelaide in the 1830s to the present day. The book features more than seventy awe-inspiring pieces of jewelry from one of the finest collections in the world. With three hundred full-color photographs many newly commissioned for the book the dazzling display ranges from the flawless pink diamond presented to Princess Elizabeth, as she was then known, for her wedding in 1947 to nineteenth-century diamond diadems to the Cartier Halo tiara worn most recently by The Duchess of Cambridge at her wedding in April 2011. As informative as it is stunningly beautiful, the book includes information on many items of international importance and great historic significance.

"*The Queen's Diamonds* is an exhaustive, fascinating history of Elizabeth II's most important sparklers. It's a treasure trove of delicious details that royal jewellery blogs have been overdosing on, as they replace old rumours and conjectures with confirmed information."