

KING'S CORONATION DINNER HONG KONG

Coronation Day Saturday 6 May 2023 5pm to 11pm



Dining Room and Verandah The Foreign Correspondents' Club Hong Kong North Block, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hong Kong





ABOUT THE CORONATION CEREMONY

The coronation ceremony is an occasion for pageantry and celebration, but it is also a solemn religious ceremony and has remained essentially the same over a thousand years. For the last 900 years, the ceremony has taken place at Westminster Abbey, London. The service is conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury, whose task this has almost always been since the Norman Conquest in 1066

The coronation of the new Sovereign follows some months after his or her accession, following a period of mourning and as a result of the enormous amount of preparation required to

organise the ceremony.



During the ceremony, the Sovereign takes the coronation oath. The form and wording have varied over the centuries. Queen Elizabeth II undertook to rule according to law, to exercise justice with mercy - promises symbolised by the four swords in the coronation regalia (the Crown Jewels) - and to maintain the Church of England.

Following the oath the Sovereign is then 'anointed, blessed and consecrated' by the Archbishop, whilst the Sovereign is seated in King Edward's chair (made in 1300, and used by every Sovereign since 1626).

After receiving the orb and sceptres, the Archbishop places St Edward's Crown on the Sovereign's head.

ABOUT THE CORONATION EMBLEM

Designed by Sir Jony Ive, KBE, the emblem pays tribute to The King's love of the natural world, unifying the flora of the four nations of the United Kingdom; the rose of England, the thistle of Scotland, the daffodil of Wales and the



shamrock of Northern Ireland. Together, the flowers create the shape of St Edward's Crown, with which His Majesty The King will be crowned during the Coronation Service at Westminster Abbey on Saturday, 6th May. The emblem has been designed using the red, white and blue of the union flag.

The emblem will feature throughout the historic celebrations in May, including the Coronation Service at Westminster Abbey and the Coronation Concert at Windsor Castle, as well as national events, street parties and community gatherings. The emblem will also be used for all official merchandise commemorating the Coronation of The King and The Queen Consort, and across digital and social media.

OTHER CORONATION FESTIVITIES

On Sunday 7 May 2023:

- * The BBC will broadcast a Coronation Concert live from Windsor Castle.
- * Coronation Big Lunches in local communities, at which neighbours and communities are invited to share food and fun together.

On Monday 8 May 2023:

* Members of the public throughout the Commonwealth will be invited to participate in The Big Help Out, an initiative encouraging people to participate in volunteer work in their local community.

For more information, visit https://coronation.gov.uk

PROGRAMME

(subject to amendment based on timing of the Ceremony and Processions)



5pm Arrival

BBC Livestream of the The King's Procession, Coronation Ceremony, and Coronation Procession

The Homage of the People (words overleaf)

Welcoming Remarks and Introduction

The Loyal Toast

Grace

Dinner

Art Competition

Bingo

Quiz

Loyal Address

Patriotic Singalong

Announcement of Prize Winners for the Art Competition and Quiz

11pm Carriages







Archbishop of Canterbury:

I call upon all persons of goodwill in
The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,
and of the other Realms and the Territories
to make their homage, in heart and voice,
to their undoubted King, defender of all.



All who so desire, in the Abbey, and elsewhere, say together:

All:

I swear that I will pay true allegiance to Your Majesty, and to your heirs and successors according to law.

So help me God.



A fanfare is played.

Archbishop of Canterbury:

God save The King.

All:

God save King Charles. Long live King Charles. May The King live for ever.

In previous Coronations, the Homage has been the prerogative of the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Heir to the Throne, followed by the Royal Dukes, and then the hereditary peerage in order of degree. The homage of peers alone has been replaced by the Homage of the People. The Archbishop will invite those who wish, from the United Kingdom and the other Realms both within the Abbey, and those watching and listening at home, to make their homage by sharing in the same words - a chorus of millions of voices enabled for the first time in history to participate in this solemn and joyful moment.

This is a new and significant moment in the tradition of the Coronation. Never before in our history have the general public been offered such an opportunity to join with national figures in declaring their allegiance to a new Sovereign.



GOD SAVE THE KING

National Anthem of the United Kingdom and New Zealand Royal Anthem of the Commonwealth Realms



God save our gracious King,
Long live our noble King,
God save the King,
Send him victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the King.

From every latent foe,
From the assassins blow,
God save the King.
O'er his thine arm extend,
For Britain's sake defend,
Our father, prince, and friend,
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store
On him be pleased to pour.
Long may he reign.
May he defend our laws,
And ever give us cause,
To sing with heart and voice,
God save the King.



RULE, BRITANNIA!

When Britain first, at heaven's command Arose from out the azure main Arose arose from out the azure main This was the charter, the charter of the land And guardian angels sang this strain Rule Britannia, Britannia, rule the waves Britons never, never, shall be slaves Rule Britannia, Britannia, rule the waves Britons never, never, shall be slaves Britons never, never, shall be slaves

Still more majestic shalt thou rise
More dreadful from each foreign stroke
More dreadful, dreadful from each
foreign stroke
As the loud blast, the blast that tears
the skies
Serves but to root thy native oak
Rule Britannia, Britannia, rule the waves
Britons never, never, shall be slaves
Rule Britannia, Britannia, rule the waves
Britons never, never, shall be slaves

The Muses, still with freedom found
Shall to thy happy coasts repair
Shall to thy happy, happy coasts repair
Blest isle with matchless, with matchless beauty crowned
And manly hearts to guard the fair
Rule Britannia, Britannia, rule the waves

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LAND OF HOPE AND GLORY

Land of hope and glory Mother of the free How shall we extol thee Who are born of thee

Wider still and wider
Shall thy bounds be set
God who made thee mighty
Make thee mightier yet
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HERE'S A HEALTH UNTO HIS MAJESTY

Regimental March of the Royal Army Medical Corps

Here's a health unto His Majesty With a fa la la la la la

Confusion to his enemies With a fa la la la la la

And he that will not drink his health I wish him neither wit nor wealth

Nor yet a rope to hang himself With a fa la la la la la la la la With a fa la la la la la la

All cavaliers will please combine
With a fa la la la la la la
To drink this loyal toast of mine
With a fa la la la la la la

If anyone should answer no
I warmly wish that he may go
With roundhead rogues to Jericho
With a fa la la la la la la la la
With a fa la la la la la







ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

When gallant Cook from Albion sail'd,
To trace wide oceans o'er,
true British courage bore him on,
Til he landed on our shore.
Then here he raised Old England's flag,
The standard of the brave;
"With all her faults we love her still"
"Britannia rules the waves"
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance, Australia fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross,
We'll toil with hearts and hands;
To make our youthful Commonwealth,
Renowned of all the lands;
For loyal sons beyond the seas
We've boundless plains to share;
With courage let us all combine
To advance Australia fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing
Advance Australia fair!

Australia's sons, let us rejoice, For we are young and free; We've golden soil and wealth for toil, Our home is girt by sea; Our land abounds in nature's gifts Of beauty rich and rare; In history's page, let every stage

Advance Australia fair. In joyful strains let us sing, Advance, Australia fair.







O, CANADA!

National Anthem of Canada



O Canada! Our home and native land! true patriot love in all thy sons command,

> Car ton bras sait porter l'épée Il sait porter la croix!

Ton histoire est une épopée Des plus brilliants exploits,

God keep our land glorious and free! O Canada, we stand on guard for thee









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