

# OK! ROYAL WEDDING SPECIAL

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Follow the behind-the-scenes buzz from the royal wedding with OK!'s Eloise Parker, reporting live from London



# WHY DIANA WOULD HAVE BEEN PROUD

**T**here's no escaping Princess Diana's memory at Prince William's wedding, especially during his emotional walk down the abbey aisle where her funeral took place. "Diana always told me how William protected her. She was so proud of him and Harry," says Greek millionaire Chrisanthy Lemos, who hosted Diana's last birthday celebration before her tragic death in 1997. "She would have been so proud of William on his wedding day."

### SURPRISING GUESTS

Teary-eyed Elton John (who cried at the funeral), David and Victoria Beckham, and director Guy Ritchie weren't the only stars invited to Westminster Abbey. British singer Joss Stone raised eyebrows when she appeared on the guest list. A family friend tells OK! Joss became a friend of Will's during his brief 2007 split with Kate. "William really liked her," reveals the insider. "He kept in touch with her even after he and Kate got back together."



**"Diana would be very happy," reflects Elton John, who was invited along with David Furnish and the Beckhams.**



throughout the process, reveals the source.

### LAVISH FLOWERS

Of the stunning blooms now on display in Westminster Abbey, "white lilies were at the top of the list" for Kate, says the insider. The Middleton family also organized a floral



**Fiona Cairns created the lavish fruit cake.**



**Kate's flowers were inspired by Diana's memorable almost-4-foot bouquet.**

treat for their daughter behind closed doors: "Kate's suite at the Goring was filled with white orchids," shares the insider.

### TRADITIONAL CAKE

Although beer was banned from the Buckingham Palace reception, there was plenty of cake for everyone. British pastry chef Fiona Cairns spent two months crafting the towering fruit cake, but admitted the most "worrying" moment was transporting the "sizeable" confection 100 miles from her Midlands' bakery to Buckingham Palace.

## STARS LOVE THE ROYALS, TOO!

• Admitting she watched Princess Diana's wedding back in 1981, **Reese Witherspoon** told **Ellen DeGeneres** she was "absolutely" more excited about the royal wedding than her own recent nups!



• **Liza Minnelli** tells OK! she wishes Will and Kate "happiness and luck and fortitude."



• **Kim Kardashian** tells OK! she's "so excited" for the royal couple. "I think everybody wants to know what's going on," added sister **Khloe**.



• **Toni Braxton** revealed to OK! that her royal wedding day plan included "looking through wedding magazines to compare Kate's fabulous dress!"



• "They're the most beautiful couple," Brit singer **Estelle** tells OK!. "I hope they stay the way they are."

### WIN A KATE STYLE BOOK!

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