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For brides-to-be or any reader with a fascination for couture, here is the essential guide to the best wedding dresses of modern instances—the 50 iconic designs that made fashion history. From the white bridal dress worn by Queen Victoria in 1840 to couture creations by Karl Lagerfeld, Alexander McQueen, Vera Wang, and Vivienne Westwood, *THE MARRIAGE Dress* examines the features of each and every design in chronological sequence.s most well-known dresses, revealing as to why and how they continue to inspire brides and designers today. Lavishly illustrated spreads lay bare the anatomy of every show-stopping ensemble: silhouette, fabrics, construction methods, embellishments, and even hidden details. This interesting look at nearly two centuries of bridal fashion presents 50 of history' Also included are dresses worn by a few of the world's knee-length outfit ushered in the era of the flapper bride, why Wallis Simpson wore blue on her behalf wedding day, and just how Elsa Schiaparelli reinvented the veil. Discover out why Queen Victoria draped herself in white lace, how Paul Poiret's most stylish women—Jacqueline Kennedy, Grace Kelly, Audrey Hepburn— designers make this an essential resource for brides, designers, stylists, wedding planners, or anyone interested in the extraordinary world of bridal couture. Vivid photographs, comprehensive diagrams, and biographies of the dresses'along with contemporary fashion icons such as Gwen Stefani, Dita Von Teese, and Kate Moss.



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Obtain it, quick! Beautiful photographs! It talks about the history, the designers, the bride who wore it and acquired detailed drawings about each one that makes it easier to see the information on the dress. This is a huge, color, hardcover book that is a delight to go through right from the start to the end. Whether you are in the wedding business like I am, or if you're a bride or simply a fan of all things wedding ceremony, you will absolutely love this particular book. Some I had seen before and some I hadn't, but some of the details of all of them were a wonderful surprise to me. While I may not agree with all of the choices they are indeed fantastic designs Five Stars Amazing! Especially as of this price. Grab it when you can before the price goes up! I wasn't looking for patterns, but a bit more explanation in the look." they have a basic sketch and they explain certain points. As a seamstress, I was a little disappointed about that. cool book This is an extremely neat book nonetheless it over sells the "pick apart each pattern of the dress. Beautiful in addition to a great resource. Very pretty book. Many thanks, Eleanor! Very thorough with detailed descriptions and narratives. If you love considering wedding ceremony dresses, you will like this book. Five Stars Just what I wanted. Thank you. Wonderful Book Wonderful, great photos and drawings of the dresses with explanations. It is worth it of the initial price if you know somebody who likes this subject or gets married, this is a wonderful present. Still, it's a very cool book if you like outfit making and royal/celebrity weddings. Eleanor Thompson's reserve is beautifully written, the photographs are lovely and the format is clever and informational. I not only enjoyed it, I used it as a resource in my new book that targets Princess Diana's influence on weddings and ceremony. Got this as something special for my fiancée who would like to make her outfit, she loves this :) Beautiful photographs!



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