

PRESS RELEASE

COVENT GARDEN IS TURNING RED, WHITE AND BLUE FOR THE ROYAL WEDDING

This May, Covent Garden will be joining the Royal Wedding excitement, as the estate hosts a truly British celebration. The Market Building, Piazza and surrounding streets will be dressed up in patriotic red, white and blue to celebrate the nuptials of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. Not only will Union Jacks and decorations be installed, there will be special treats and offers from brand favourites including **Balthazar**, **Bobbi Brown**, **The Shop at Bluebird** and **Mulberry** making Covent Garden the best place in London for visitors to celebrate.

From Thursday 17th May, Covent Garden's iconic Central Avenue and James Street will be adorned with red, white and blue bunting, with King Street and Henrietta Street dressed in huge Union Jack flags. Blue and white hydrangeas and peonies - Meghan Markle's favourite flowers, will decorate Covent Garden's insta-famous Piazza swings, providing perfect picture moments for visitors.

Open for just four days, Covent Garden's Central Avenue will transform into a Royal Wedding themed gifting bonanza, with pop-up carts stocked with the very best British treats from illustrator **Katie Cardew**, **Hotel Chocolat** and **Penhaligon's**.

Over the Royal Wedding weekend, Covent Garden's restaurants, fashion and beauty retailers will have luxury and limited edition offerings to add to the celebratory mood. **Balthazar** and **Balthazar Boulangerie** will be serving the British classic, coronation chicken sandwiches all day and Union Jack cookies for those who want to mark the day with a patriotic pudding. **Morelli's Gelato** will offer customers a limited edition "Royal Kiss" ice cream flavoured with champagne, strawberries and white chocolate, and visitors will also be able to enjoy **Sweetheart Cupcakes** delicious "Royal Victoria Cake" with lemon zest sponge and banana marmalade. **Whittard of Chelsea** welcomes shoppers to purchase special wedding bouquet tea sets inspired by Meghan Markle's American heritage.

From 16th to 26th May, **Bobbi Brown** will be embracing the celebrations by hosting bridal make-up consultations so everyone can look and feel like a royal. Whilst British institution **The Shop at Bluebird** will be fully stocked with Royal favourite, Alexander McQueen and special wedding guest Victoria's Beckham's latest collection for the occasion. **Mulberry** will also have its Royal Opera House Arcade doors wide open for those wishing to purchase a handbag in red, white or blue. Until 20th May, customers of **Links of London** will receive 20% off when purchasing two or more items from its Royal Wedding gift edit, and **Radley's** windows will be dressed to impress to showcase its exclusive Royal Wedding collection.

As well as these exciting offerings, Covent Garden is proud to be home to six Royal Warrant holders from **Barbour** and **Burberry** to **Carluccio's** and **Penhaligon's**.

Continuing the Royal Wedding festivities, Covent Garden is delighted to be participating in Chelsea Fringe this year from 19th May and will be creating an exquisite garden installation on the East Piazza, featuring British blooms, including foxgloves, which mirror the flowers the world will see in Meghan Markle's bridal bouquet. The installation is titled 'Moment of Reflection.'

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