

## The Queen scoffing cupcakes, Camilla cuddling a corgi and Pippa on the Shloer: Inside Kate's Royal baby shower (as imagined by Alison Jackson)

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As all expectant mothers know, one of the perks of nearing the end pregnancy is being thrown a baby shower.

Now, thanks to famed photographer Alison Jackson, we have been awarded a glimpse of what the Royal baby shower might look like.

A glowing Kate in a fuchsia pink dress is surrounded by all the important women in her life including Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and mother-in-law Camilla as well as her own mother Carole and younger sister Pippa.

The pictures were created using look-a-likes of the young royal and her nearest and dearest to show what the scenes might look like if Kate decides to follow with the current fashion for baby showers - and if the Queen should put in appearance, of course.



Photographer Alison Jackson created the pictures using look-a-likes of Kate and family. In this snap the expectant Duchess admires a new luxurious baby grow, whilst Camilla cuddles Rufus the Corgi



Pippa keeps the non-alcoholic bubbles flowing for her big sister as Her Majesty waits patiently to give the Duchess a gift

As depicted in this spoof shoot, the royal baby-to-be may be honoured by the attendance of the Queen, who Kate has reportedly grown extremely close to over the past few years.

Her Majesty is accompanied by a rather friendly corgi who cuddles up to Camilla on the sofa before leaping into a brand new sports car brought as a gift for the unborn Royal child.

Sitting next to Kate in the remarkably realistic pictures is a cheery-looking Camilla, while proud mother Carole and close girlfriends watching on.

Expert party planner Pippa shows off her hosting skills, keeping all the glasses topped up with alcohol-free Shloer.

Although the sex of the royal baby remains a closely guarded secret, the presents being given at the spoof baby shower seem to strongly suggest a boy could be on the way: gifts include a toddler race car, a teddy in a blue jumper, and a white baby-grow with 'born to rule' on.



As baby showers grow in popularity in the UK, rumours have been rife as to whether Kate Middleton will be the first Royal to enjoy one for the impending arrival of the third in line to the throne



Kate is surrounded by supportive women, both in the spoof pictures and in real life. Here the ladies raise a glass to the Duchess as the Queen eyes up a cup cake

It's not only Alison Jackson eagerly anticipating the birth of the Royal baby of course.

As the Duchess of Cambridge enters the final trimester of her pregnancy she is preparing for the baby's arrival by stocking up on newborn essentials.

Last weekend she was spotted with her mother Carol buying a Moses basket from a South Kensington store. And she has reportedly taken delivery of a Bugaboo buggy - making this Royal baby one of the first who will not be pushed around the Royal parks in a Silver Cross.

Breaking with tradition elsewhere too, Kate has decided to eschew the help of a maternity nurse and spend the first six weeks after her child's birth living with her parents at their new £4.8million Georgian mansion in Bucklebury, Berkshire.



Kate is to move in with her mother at the Middleton family home in Bucklebury, Berkshire, after the birth and preparations for the royal arrival look to be well underway