

## Kate on a birthing ball, yoga with Pippa and Wills at birthing classes: The preparations for the birth of the royal baby (as imagined by celebrity photographer Alison Jackson)

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There can be few pregnancies in history that have been subject to as much scrutiny as that of the Duchess of Cambridge.

While the world has been following the Royal family's new golden couple since the moment they met, Kate's pregnancy with their first child is one that they have managed to keep remarkably private.

Little is known of the planning, preparation and day-to-day build up for the royal birth that is going on behind the guarded palace walls.



With the birth of the royal baby imminent it would appear that the lookalike Prince William and Duchess of Cambridge are keen to fit in some last minute preparations



Many couples chose to use a gym ball during labour to ease contraction pains- and it seems the lookalike William isn't afraid to be a hands-on birthing partner

But now, thanks to famous look-a-like photographer Alison Jackson we can catch a glimpse of what the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge *might* be doing.

Like most expectant couples, Alison has her 'William and Kate' attending sonogram appointments and birthing classes, while sister 'Pippa' is available to step in to help with yoga to prepare the mother-to-be's body for the arduous task of labour.

The two girls are also snapped indulging in spa treatments and even getting a spray tan to keep looking their best, before the couple pick out baby clothes with a woman who looks remarkably like Queen Elizabeth.



Kate and younger sister Pippa lookalikes keep fit by hula-hooping together, which also helps strengthen the back and core; essentially in pregnancy



Even a Royal baby poops: Kate and Pippa lookalikes examine the vast stockpile of nappies ready for the baby's birth



The sex of the royal baby is not thought to be known, even to the Duke and Duchess



Alison Jackson imagines that Catherine ensures her 'yummy mummy' status by having a full pamper session with her sister



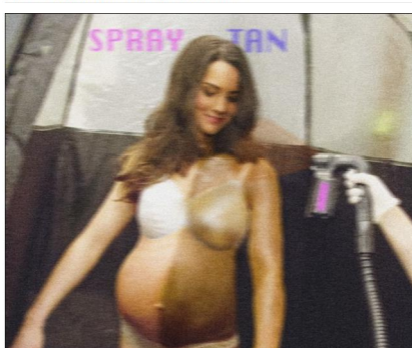
Examining and picking out clothes for the new royal with the Queen herself, is just part of Will and Kate's pre-baby routine (probably)



The couple have said that they want to be 'hands on' parents, and it seems the lookalike William is starting before the child is even born



'William' lookalike reads up on what to expect once the little one arrives, while 'the Queen' dusts up on the latest issue of Horse and Hound



It wouldn't do for the 'Duchess' to have stretch marks...



While it is doubtful that Kate will ever embrace the TOWIE orange hue, the lookalike knows a glow before the birth will make the photographs outside the hospital far more flattering



The lookalike 'Duchess' enjoys a full body wrap with sister 'Pippa' before the birth

For more details on Alison Jackson and her work, please visit [www.alisonjackson.com](http://www.alisonjackson.com).

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