Kings & Queens Of England And Scotland

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A compact visual guide to the royal heritage of Great Britain and Scotland. From the first Saxon king to Charles, Prince of Wales, Kings & Queens of England & Scotland conveys the drama and history of Britain’s royal lineage. Private lives, public perceptions, and pageants are all gloriously illustrated with portraits, family trees, and photographs of artifacts.

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KINGS AND QUEENS by P.S. Fry is a 96 page handbook that outlines English history, from the year 600 to the present (circa 1997). The book is a glitzy production and every page is glossy. About two thirds of the pages contain color photos of images of various kings and queens, taking the form of an old painting, old sculpture, or an actual photograph. These kings include well-known figures, such as Alfred the Great (he unified Wessex, Sussex, Essex, Kent, Northumberland, East Anglia, and Mercia), William the Conqueror (memorialized in the majestic Bayeux tapestry), Edward III (he started the Hundred Years War), Henry V (celebrated for finally capturing France, near the end of the Hundred Years War), and Henry VIII (famed for his 6 wives). Flow charts disclosing various lineages or dynasties are provided, and these cover: (1) William the Conqueror to Henry I to Henry II (pages 14-15); (2) Henry II to Edward III to Henry IV (pages 20-21); (3) Edward III to Henry IV to Henry VI and to Edward IV (pages 32-33); (4) Edward IV to Henry VII (pages 38-39); (5) Henry VII to James I (pages 44-45); (6) James I to George I (pages 64-65); (7) George I to George V (pages 74-75); and (8) George V to Elizabeth (pages 86-87). The book pauses in its march from king to king, to provide one page devoted entirely to King Henry VIII’s six wives (page 49). Pages 54-63
are devoted entirely to kings and queens of Scotland (years 843-1603).