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## **Dolls for the Princesses: The Story of France and Marianne**

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It is well known that the Royal Collection contains an outstanding range of dolls and dolls' houses. The story told here concerns two very special dollsFrance and Mariannewhich were given to Queen Elizabeth and Princess Margaret in

1938, when they were, respectively, twelve and eight years old. Intended as a tangible expression of the Entente Cordiale between Great Britain and France on the eve of World War II, the dolls and their trousseaux also acted as a showcase for the French fashion industry and the elegant world of Parisian haute couture. Faith Eaton, the well-known writer and lecturer on the subject of dolls and doll collecting, here describes the historical events leading up to the presentation of the dolls, their creation in the world-famous Jumeau factory, and the preparation of their vast collection of designer dresses, fur coats, hats, shoes, and miniature accessories. Contributions came from the most prestigious fashion houses of the day, including Lanvin and Cartier, Herms and Vuitton, and the excellence of their work is clearly seen in the book's specially commissioned photography. In her final chapter Eaton describes her own delicate conservation work, carried out over the years, to maintain the dolls' original perfection. 70 photographs and illustrations, 50 in color.

About the Author Faith Eaton has an international reputation as a doll collector and writer. Her most recent publication, *The Ultimate Doll House*, has sold over a million copies worldwide. She is also an experienced lecturer, and her extensive knowledge of the history of dolls and dolls' costumes has led to numerous appearances on television and radio.