

# A British Fairytale



"Every little girl deserves the chance to feel like a princess and I've designed these luxurious dresses with this brief firmly in mind."  
- Dawn Clarke

Simple and timeless, these gorgeous hammered silk celebration dresses by British designer Dawn Clarke will make any little girl feel like a princess. Dawn specialises in UK-made luxury and ethical children's garments for special occasions and is launching her first collection with a small Somerset manufacturer this autumn. Dawn says: "These dresses are one of my favourite designs. They have lots of gathering and layers of petticoats to create a classic shape, and they're made with the finest silk and feature some beautiful extra details."

Dawn's celebration dresses are principally made from hammered silk, which has an opulent dappled patina, and are available in navy blue and natural white. Silk sashes in a variety of colours can be added, and alternative dress colours are available as bespoke orders. A stand-out embellishment is an embroidered privacy panel behind the zip that proudly declares 'Made in England'. The dresses are lined with the softest habotai silk and feature pretty piping, netting petticoats trimmed with British cotton lace, and hidden pockets for special trinkets. Suitable for children aged two to six, the dresses can be dry-cleaned.

Dawn designs and creates all outfits in her Hampshire studio, first sketching ideas, and then creating the pattern draft to technical specifications for manufacturing to ensure her signature ideas shine through. She sources as much fabric as possible within the UK, uses British suppliers and only manufactures in the country to help reduce her carbon footprint.

Farleigh House ([farleighwallop.com](http://farleighwallop.com)) provided the stunning backdrop to showcase Dawn's new collection. The secluded Farleigh Wallop Estate in north Hampshire has been owned by the same family since the 15th Century and is the perfect setting for celebrations, events and special weekends away. [dawnclarkedesigns.co.uk](http://dawnclarkedesigns.co.uk)



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