



DAVID NIXON

Entertainer with the Magic Touch

FOR MORE THAN twenty years, millions of British television viewers tuned in to watch a true wizard at work. As a panellist on *What's My Line?* or as the host of *It's Magic* and many other shows, David Nixon was not just a magician, but a peerless performer whose warmth and wit made him a natural star.

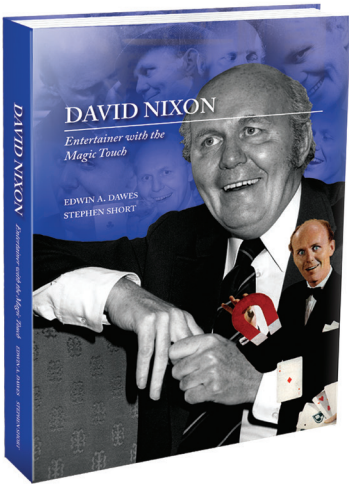
David Nixon: Entertainer with the Magic Touch tells the story of a remarkable life: how David's childhood fascination with conjuring tricks led to wartime adventures with ENSA, and how he rose from running concert parties to being the nation's best-loved star.

David's personal life was one touched by tragedy. Yet for all his mastery of illusion – the mind-reading Nap Hand card trick or the mysterious mid-air disappearance of a lady in the *Dizzy Limit* – the easygoing on-screen image that made him a friend to every viewer was no deception, but a true reflection of a hardworking optimist who lived to entertain.

For the first time, Edwin A. Dawes and Stephen Short have interviewed David's many friends and loved ones to present a full portrait of his life. Lavishly illustrated using family photographs, publicity posters and television stills, *David Nixon: Entertainer with the Magic Touch* is a truly enchanting book.

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