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I know you've experienced this situation. You've got a wonderful outdoor family adventure scheduled but Mother Nature comes along with plans of her own. Luckily, you've arrived at "Solution Street" ... where imagination is the answer! In the "Fairy-est of Them All" printable tool kit, you'll find directions for turning a rainy or snowy day into an enchanting at-home Fairy adventure with fun, creative crafts like Shimmering Fairy Wings, and a delicious recipe for Everblossom Cupcakes. And, for even more boredom-busting inspiration, be sure to visit: FamilyFun.com for additional crafts, recipes, and tips for turning any unexpected day indoors into a fun-filled experience your family will never forget.

SET THE SCENE FOR YOUR FAIRY-FILLED ADVENTURE

In the subsequent pages, you'll find easy-to-follow crafts and recipes for creating your own at-home Fairy-themed fantasy. But wait! Before you get started, take a few moments to set the scene for your magical adventure by using items you already have available in your home. Once you've "set the scene," print out the accompanying recipes and craft directions and let your imagination run wild. Setting the scene will not only enhance your overall experience, it get every one of your little creative adventurers into the act. Here are five scene-enhancing tips:

SCENE-SETTING TIP #1

Do you have a small tent? Set it up in your living room and pretend it's your own magical Fairy clubhouse. If you don't have a tent, you can gather up four dining room chairs and drape a sheet or blanket over the top to create the same effect.

SCENE-SETTING TIP #2

Dim your lights to create the feeling of a magical forest where anything is possible. You can even light and place candles around the room. If you use candles, make sure to place them in a safe location.

SCENE-SETTING TIP #3

Do you have a soundtrack to a magic-themed movie? You can play the soundtrack on your stereo or MP3 player. If you don't have a soundtrack, you could also play a DVD of a Fairy or magic-themed movie on your TV in the background. Be sure to keep the volume low so that you and all your Fairies can hear each other speak!



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SCENE-SETTING TIP #4

Gather up flashlights and have the little ones pretend they're magic wands as they flitter about the "magical forest" you've created in your living room.

SCENE-SETTING TIP #5

Grab your camera and keep it close so you can capture every moment!

TIME TO CREATE YOUR FAIRY ADVENTURE!

Now that you've set the scene for adventure and printed the crafts and recipes, it's time for the adventure to begin. Below is a detailed guide for creating your own Fairy-themed experience. You can follow these instructions, or you can pick and choose the elements that are most interesting for you. Whatever adventure you decide to embark on -- whether it's heading off to Sprinting Thistles, saving Mother Dove's feathers, finding more Pixie Dust, or making a new home for Never Land's newest Fairy -- let your imaginations be your guide! **Shimmering Fairy Wings!** No two sets of wings look exactly alike. Your wings can help tell us what kind of fairy you are! You can even spell your names on them with glitter and glue. Have fun and stay safe and organized by turning your work area into a Tinker Fairy shop! Put newspapers or an old cloth down on the table or floor and carefully lay out all your tools and supplies. Then, everyone can work together using the detailed directions on page 4 to create beautiful glittery fairy wings. This project requires a few special tools and items. Make sure you have everything on hand before you begin!

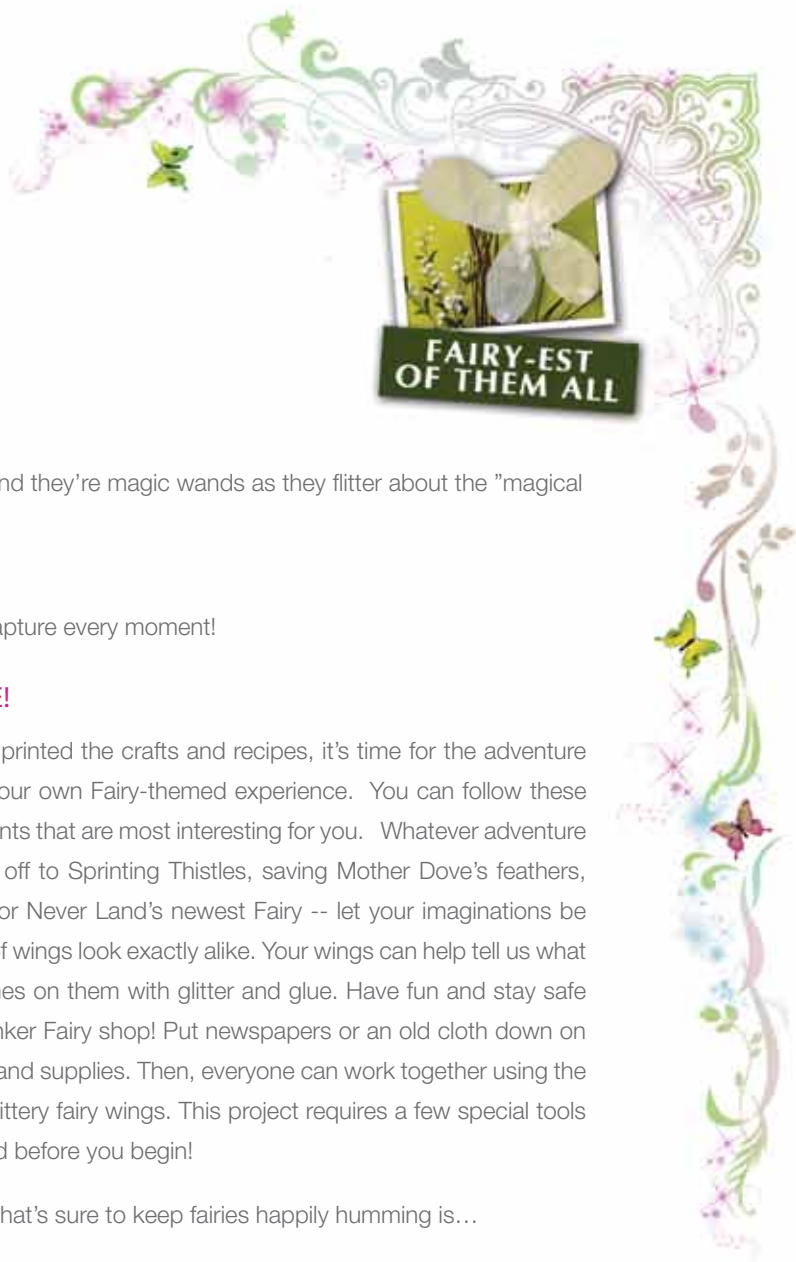
Fairies get hungry while they work, and one thing that's sure to keep fairies happily humming is...

STEP #1

Choose which kind of Fairy you'd like to be. Choose from the following Fairies: garden talent, art talent, light talent, animal talent, water talent, tinker talent, and more. What other kinds can you think of? One of you might be a baking-talent Fairy and bake something scrumptious! After you've decided your Fairy talent, be sure to choose a special name.

STEP #2

Make your "Shimmering Fairy Wings." Follow the directions in the subsequent pages and have everyone personalize their wings so that they reflect the kind fairy they are. You can also have everyone spell their names on their wings with glitter and glue if you have these items in your home.



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STEP #3

Bake "Everblossom Cupcakes." You'll definitely get hungry on your fairy adventure, so start baking these delicious treats while others make wings. Save your cupcakes for later, or savor them as soon as they're ready. At FamilyFun.com, you'll find more tasty recipes including one for "Tinker Bell Shoes Cupcakes."

STEP #4

Build a doorway to adventure. See the subsequent pages for instructions for building your very own "Fairy Door." If you don't have all the materials on hand to create the version featured in this tool kit, you can easily use a cardboard box. Remember, it's all about your imagination.

STEP #5

Hide "Magical Fairy Coins" around the room. Come up with a good excuse to get the little ones out of the room for a few moments. While they're away, gather up whatever loose coins you have around and hide them around the room. Later on, you'll send your Fairies on a quest to find these "Magical Fairy Coins."

STEP #6

Make your Fairy clubhouse. Set up that small tent of yours in the living room or spread a sheet or blanket over chairs to create your own magical Fairy getaway.

STEP #7

Get into character. Now that you've made your personalized wings, it's time to put them on! You can complement the outfit by adding tights and other clothes. You can also use face paint or glitter to decorate your face.

STEP #8

Put on mood music or a video. Put on your favorite Fairy or magic-themed songs, soundtrack, or movie. Remember to keep the volume at a reasonable level so that you can all hear one another!

STEP #9

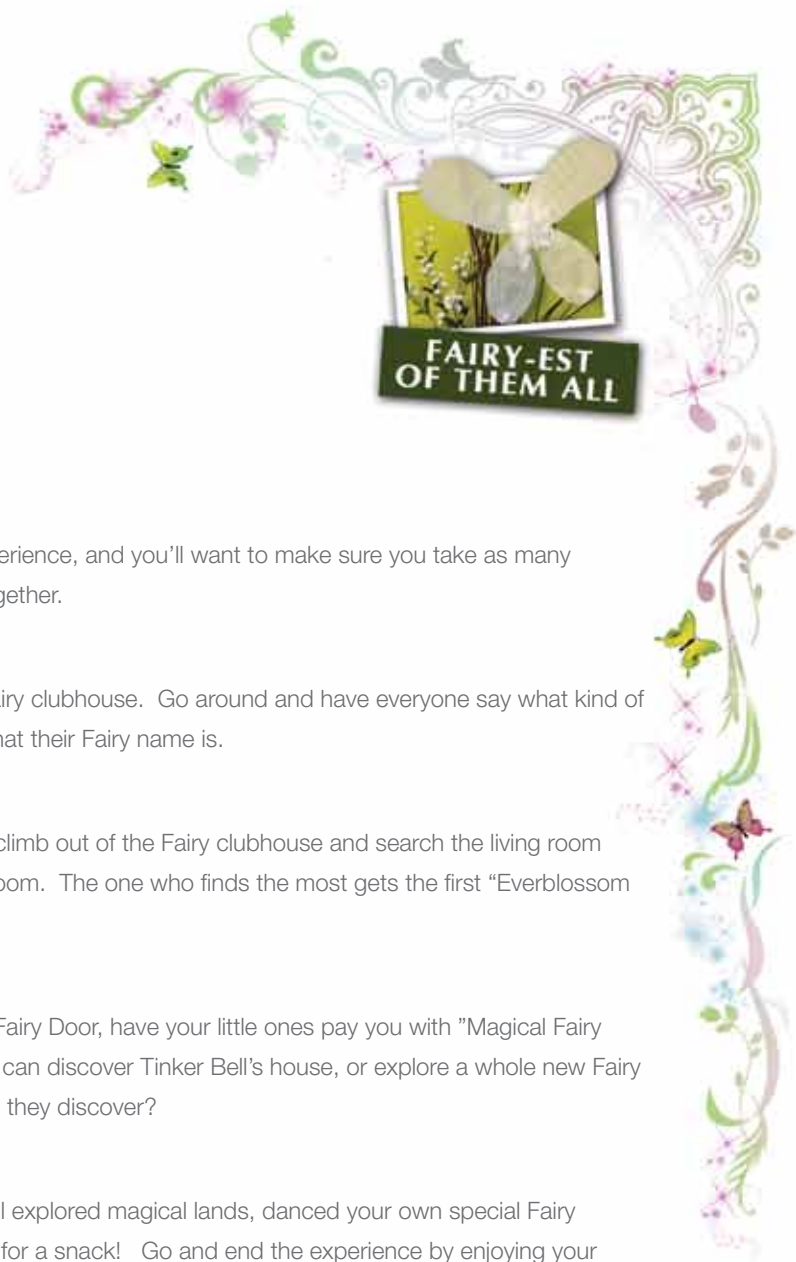
Dim the lights and dance. Dim the lights in the room and give everyone a flashlight! Have your little Fairies flutter around the room, and you can even have everyone perform their own personalized Fairy dance.



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STEP #1 0

Keep your camera close. This will be a magical experience, and you'll want to make sure you take as many photos as possible to record your incredible time together.

STEP #1 1

Explain your Fairy name. Everyone climb into the Fairy clubhouse. Go around and have everyone say what kind of Fairy they are, explain their Fairy story, and reveal what their Fairy name is.

STEP #1 2

Find the "Magical Fairy Coins." Have the little ones climb out of the Fairy clubhouse and search the living room for the magical Fairy coins that you hid around the room. The one who finds the most gets the first "Everblossom Cupcake" when the adventure is over.

STEP #1 3

Travel through the "Fairy Door." If you've made the Fairy Door, have your little ones pay you with "Magical Fairy Coins" to enter. On the other side of the door, they can discover Tinker Bell's house, or explore a whole new Fairy land that's never been discovered before. What will they discover?

STEP #1 4

End the adventure with a snack. Now that you've all explored magical lands, danced your own special Fairy dance, and gone hunting for magical coins, it's time for a snack! Go and end the experience by enjoying your "Everblossom Cupcakes" with a glass of milk. Don't forget -- the one who gathered up the most "Magical Fairy Coins" gets the first cupcake!

These are some suggestions to get you and your family started on your imaginative fairy-themed journey. Whatever adventure you decide to have, and whatever crafts you choose to make, even those who don't believe in the magic of fairies can't help having fun when everyone's working and playing together. If anyone happens to get cranky be sure to take a break, read a story, or start something new. And, if you really want to take your family fun time to the next level, add your favorite Hasbro Family Game night game into the mix. With a sprinkle of Pixie Dust and a dash of imagination, who knows what magic may happen?! So, get everyone's fairy wings fluttering and fly away to your fairy best Family adventure!

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SHIMMERING FAIRY WINGS

by Cindy Littlefield

You can't be a fairy without a proper set of wings. And, just like snowflakes, no two sets are exactly alike. Each is as unique as the fairy who wears them. If you happen to know an aspiring fairy who is ready for her first wings, you can easily conjure up a set from a pair of sheer white tights and a few other basic materials. Once the wings are constructed, the young recipient can add her own personal touch by adorning them with glitter glue pixie dust, craft feathers, and other decorative notions.



YOU'LL NEED

- Wire cutters
- Tape measure
- 16-gauge general purpose wire (sold in most hardware stores)
- Duct tape
- Sheer white tights
- Hot glue gun
- Wide white sewing elastic
- Two 4-inch squares of white felt
- Faux white fur, white craft feathers, and/or white curly ribbon
- Glitter glue
- Small paintbrush



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut two 29-inch lengths of wire to use for the top set of wings and two 26-inch lengths for the bottom set.

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2. Form a circle with each wire length, overlapping the ends by an inch and taping them firmly together. Make sure the edges of the tape are well pressed down so there are no rough edges for the wing material to catch on.



3. Stretch one of the legs of the tights over one of the larger circles so that the top of the wing fits snugly into the toe. (The wire circle will naturally narrow in the process due to the tension exerted by the stretchy material.) Gather the tight at the bottom of the wing, pulling it taut. Then cut the material 2 or 3 inches from where you are holding it and tightly knot it. Use the other leg of the tight to cover the second larger circle in the same manner.



4. Cut the remaining leg portions from the tights (they should resemble short tubes) and use them to cover the smaller wire circles as you did the larger ones. Note: Because there's no toe in these sections, first you'll need to turn each tube inside out, tightly knot the top, and then turn the tube right side out again.

5. Next, cut a pair of 18-inch lengths from the sewing elastic to use for shoulder straps. Glue the ends of each strap to the sides of one of the felt squares, as shown.



6. Glue the bases of a top and bottom wing securely to one side of the felt square (make sure you don't mistakenly glue down the elastic strap in the process). Glue the remaining two wings to the opposite side.



7. For the finishing touch, glue the second felt square on top of the wing bases and decorate it with faux fur, craft feathers, and/or ribbon.



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PIXIE DUST TREE

by Cindy Littlefield

The central focal point in Pixie Hollow is a majestic tree that serves as home for Queen Clarion and the four Ministers of the Seasons. Here, too, is where all the new fairies first arrive and find out what their special talents are. The sap of this tree is pixie dust, and the roots spread wide, infusing the magic powder into every corner of the Hollow. With its canopy of leafy branches and a trunk that glistens gold with pixie dust, this pint-size paper tree is the perfect landmark for any imaginary fairyland.

YOU'LL NEED

- Pixie dust tree template
- Scissors
- Craft scissors (optional)
- 2 sheets (8 1/2- by 11-inches) heavyweight brown paper for the tree trunk
- Lightweight green and yellow paper
- Hot glue gun
- Craft knife
- Toilet tissue tube
- Glue stick
- Gold glitter glue
- Small paintbrush
- Gold glitter foam (optional)



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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print out the template and cut out the pieces. Trace the tree trunk onto each of the two sheets of brown paper and cut out the tracings. (Or, if you prefer to cut out two tree trunks at once, you can stack the two sheets and paper clip the edges together. Then trace the template onto the top sheet.)
2. Use the leaf template pieces and decorative-edged craft scissors to cut out a bunch of green paper leaf clusters.
3. To assemble the tree, stack the two trunk pieces and hot glue the very side edges and the roots together. Leave the tree boughs and the tree bottom unglued.
4. Insert the toilet tissue tube into the center of the trunk.
5. Use the glue stick to attach a leaf cluster to the top of each bough.
6. Use the craft knife to cut a door opening in the front of the tree, referring to the template for size and placement. Cut a window opening in the back of the tree, too, if you like. To create the illusion of light shining from within the tree, glue small squares of yellow paper to the inside of the trunk in front of the door and window openings.
7. Now it's time for your child to paint the trunk and limbs with a glistening coat of glitter glue pixie dust.
8. For the final effect, set up the tree on a "pool of pixie dust" cut from a sheet of gold glitter foam.





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A FAIRY DOOR

by Cindy Littlefield

There's no telling where or when a fairy door might crop up, but if one does, you can be sure it will lead to all kinds of speculation about what lies behind it. Using cardboard and scrapbook paper, you can construct a freestanding entryway into a magical fairy world. It's just tall enough for wee residents to pass through, yet big enough to accommodate the tallest of imaginations.



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YOU'LL NEED

- Fairy door template
- Tree root door stand template
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Thin cardboard
- Scrapbook paper (brown or wood grain) for the cross boards
- Corrugated cardboard
- Glue stick
- Stud-style pierced earring or button for the doorknob
- Pebbles or small stones
- Silk flowers and greenery



INSTRUCTIONS

1. Print both templates and cut out the pieces. Trace the tree root door stand onto the thin cardboard. Then trace the same door stand piece, plus the doorframe and the three battens, onto scrapbook paper.
2. Trace the door onto the corrugated cardboard (make sure the corrugation is running vertically).

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3. Cut out all of the tracings.
4. Peel the surface layer off the cardboard door to expose the corrugation. Then use the glue stick to attach the battens to the front of the door, as pictured.



5. Glue on the paper doorframe, as shown.



6. Cover the cardboard stand with its matching scrapbook paper cutout. Then fold back the notch in the bottom of the stand where indicated on the template.
7. Glue the tree root stand to the back of the door.
8. Attach the earring doorknob by poking the stud through the door and then pushing the fastener snugly up against the back of the cardboard. (If you're using a button doorknob, simply glue it in place.)
9. Now your child can set up the finished fairy door wherever she likes, completing the scene with a moss-lined pebble pathway and silk flowers.



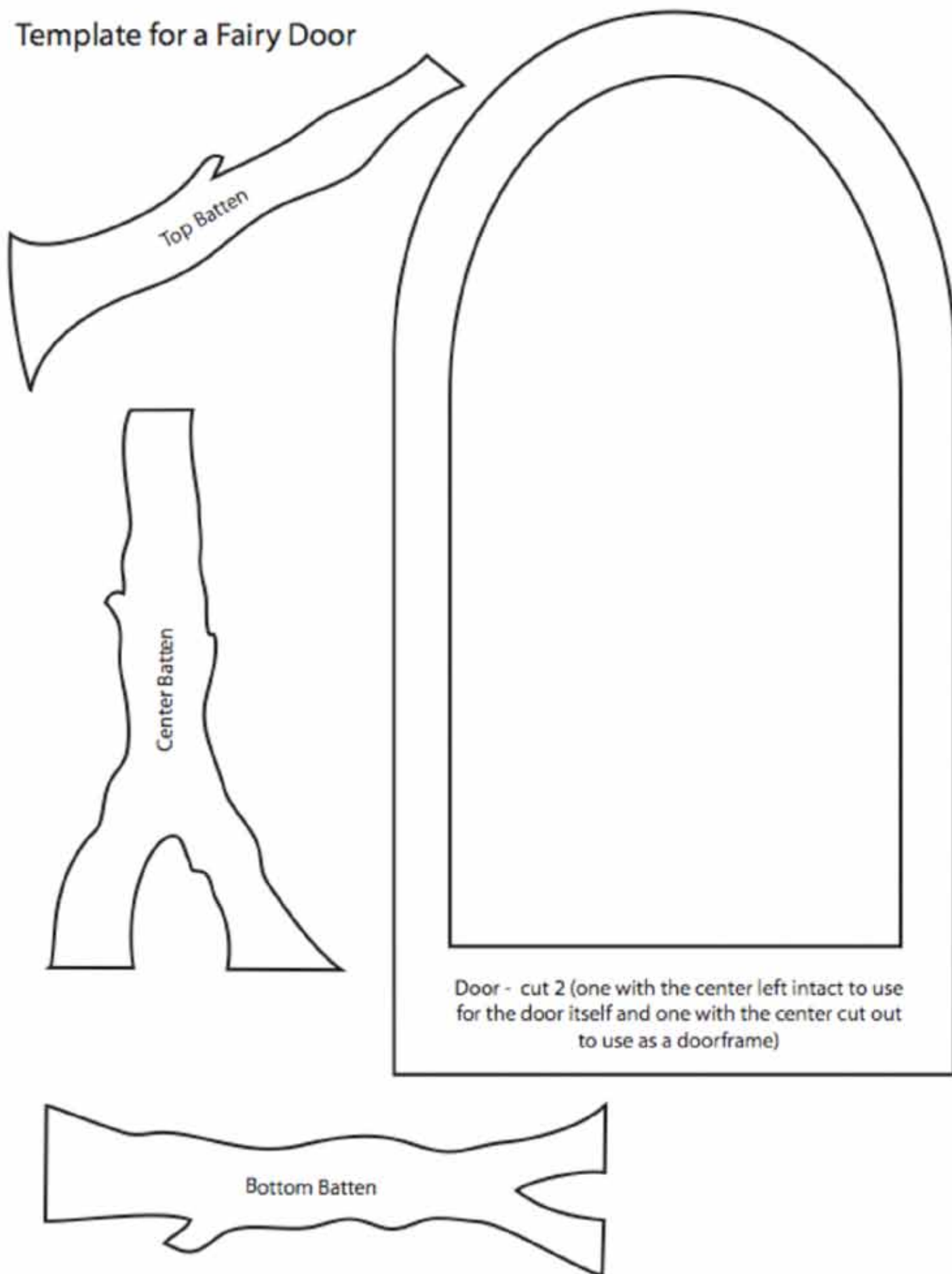
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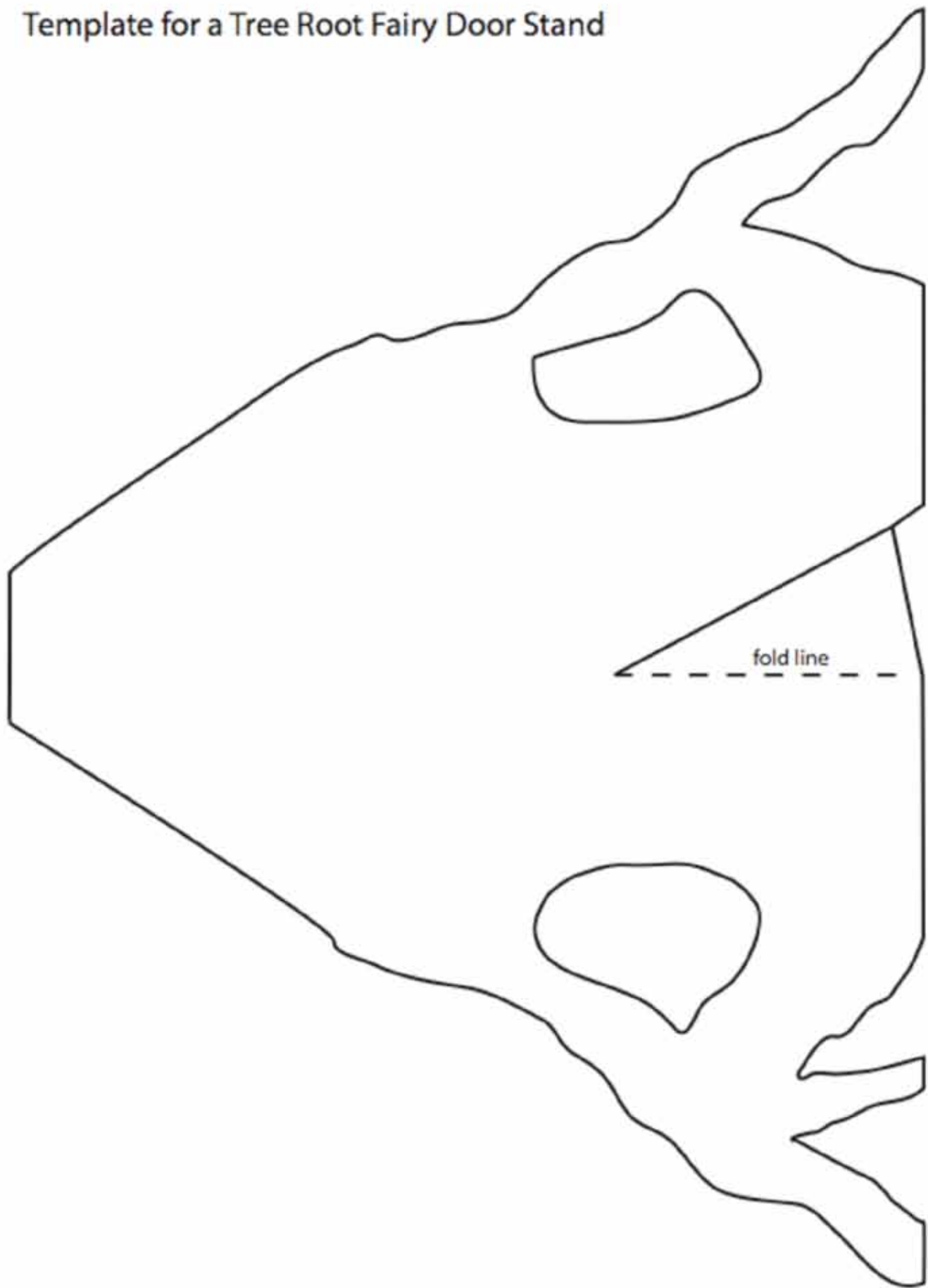
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Template for a Fairy Door



Template for a Tree Root Fairy Door Stand





EVERBLOSSOM CUPCAKES

by Cindy Littlefield

Growing in the Spring Woods section of Pixie Hollow is a single flower called the Everblossom. The nature fairies wait with great anticipation for this bud to bloom, and when it does, they know it's time to fly to the mainland to help change winter to spring. Pretend fairies and their friends are sure to find these sweet everblossom cupcakes an equally welcome sight. And the good news is you can enjoy them any time of year you like.

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YOU'LL NEED

- Batch of baked cupcakes
- Vanilla buttercream frosting
- Butter knife
- White candy melts
- Candy Dots



INSTRUCTIONS

1. For each everblossom, frost the center top of a cupcake. Press six candy melts into the frosting to resemble flower petals, as shown.
2. Arrange four more candy melts on edge to create another row of petals in the center.
3. Press a Candy Dot, top down, into the frosting at the flower center.
4. Add a few more petals (gluing them in place with dabs of frosting) to fill out the flower if needed.



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