Windmill Terrace

My Fairy Garden® Leaflet

Create your own magical fairy garden playset!

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Did you know that fairies are everywhere? They are! Not everyone can see them, but for those of us who can, they’re a magical sight! Fairies love nature, so you’ll usually find them near flowers, tree and toadstools, or among other wild and beautiful plants. You can invite fairies into your home by creating magical gardens…it’s true! They will quickly become your friends when you give them a lovely home and help them care for it!

This set includes everything you’ll need to make a special garden for the fairy Saffron and her beautiful swans Grace and Beau! Saffron spends much of her time daydreaming in her garden, watching Grace and Beau swim about and preen themselves. Saffron is also very interested in natural energy, so she prides herself on her solar-powered windmill and efficient water wheel! She’s quite the trailblazer in the fairy world with her solar panel!

Once you build Saffron’s garden and start growing your plants, you can have fun playing in your new fairy world!

**Contents:** Gourd House Windmill with Solar Panel, Water Wheel, Watering Can, Gardening Tools, Seed Packet, Soil, Saffron the Fairy, Grace and Beau the Swans, Fairy Flying Cord
Creating Your Fairy Garden

- Place the compressed soil in a bowl with a little less than two cups of water and allow it to soften. The puck will absorb the water and expand... it’s fun to watch it grow!

- Now assemble your fairy home by attaching the gourd pieces, windmill and water wheel. Then attach the solar panel.

- Once the soil is damp (after about a half hour), break it up with your gardening tool. If there are some dry parts, go ahead and add a little more water. Just be careful not to add too much so it gets mushy like mud. Then, scoop soil into the planting area in the base around the gourd and water wheel.

- Once the soil is in place, fluff it up with your garden tool and make sure there are no dry areas.

- Evenly scatter seeds on all of the soil areas. Sprinkle them evenly about \( \frac{1}{8} \) to \( \frac{1}{4} \)" apart. Using your gardening tools, gently press the seeds into the soil.

- TIP: Planting seeds too close together will cause them to crowd each other out.

- Evenly sprinkle two ounces of water (about half of your watering can) onto your seeds.
Caring for Your Fairy Garden

- Check the moisture level daily to make sure the soil and plant do not dry out. Soil should always be damp (not hard or dry), but be careful not to overwater!

- TIP: For quicker germination, a plastic bag can be placed over the entire set to hold moisture in until it sprouts.

- TIP: If you overwater, ask an adult to gently tip it and pour water out, or soak it up with a paper towel.

- Put your fairy garden near a window that gets Western or Southern sun, and rotate your garden daily.

- TIP: Place your fairy garden on a sturdy surface so it won’t fall or get knocked over!

- Depending on the temperature and location, the seeds will take about three to seven days to start growing. First you will see sprouts come up through the soil, and then you will start seeing some leaves and color. After six to 10 weeks, you will see some flowers!

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Fun with solar energy and water!

- Add a half cup of water to the water wheel reservoir, and gently press down on the pump to make the water wheel spin.

- To make the windmill rotate, make sure your solar panel is in the sunlight to power it up.
Make it Your Own

Add any decorations or accessories you want! Fairies like rocks, pebbles, flowers, twigs, shells, etc. Just don’t overcrowd your plants!

Play

• As your garden grows, you get to have fun playing with Saffron and her swans! Set Saffron in the gourd house, or have her walk around her garden, or even fly using her flying cord!

• You can collect other fairies, friends and accessories for even bigger fun!

Did you create an awesome fairy garden? Send us photos and we’ll post online!

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Evenly sprinkle two ounces of water (about half of your watering can) onto your seeds. After following the guide, you know how to plant and water the seeds, but how do your plants and flowers really grow? They absorb what they need from water, air and sunlight! Making sure seeds are hydrated and allowing them time in sun is the way you care for plants, because they’re living things, too!

Water is the most important thing during germination. Germination is the growth and development of a seed into a plant. Once you have a sprout (the beginning growth of a plant, like a little shoot or stem), sunlight and air become important, too!

**Why do fairy gardens need water, air and sunlight to grow?**

Plants use water, sunlight and carbon dioxide from the air to make their food, and this is called photosynthesis ("photo" means light, and "synthesis" means putting together):

1. The green of the plant’s leaves (chlorophyll) absorbs the sun’s energy.
2. The energy is used to split water molecules into hydrogen and oxygen.
3. Oxygen is released into the atmosphere (this is what we breathe!).
4. The carbon dioxide from the air, plus the hydrogen, is used to form food to feed the plant!

So, by watering your garden and making sure it gets sunlight, you are feeding your plants and giving them what they need to grow!
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What am I Growing?

We wanted to make sure you had a variety of fast-growing greens and leafy plants, with some pretty color, and also some flowers that will appear later!

Organic Forget-Me-Not Indigo Blue (Myosotis alpestris)
Organic Alyssum (Lobularia maritime)
Organic Baby's Breath (Gypsophila paniculata)
Organic Dinosaur Kale Lacinato (Brassica napus)
Organic Garnet Red Amaranthus (Amaranthus tricolor)
Organic Arugula (Eruca sativa)
Organic Chicory (Cichorium intybus)
Organic Endive/Escarole (Cichorium endivia)
Organic Salad Bowl Greens (Lactuca sativa)
Organic Black Seeded Simpson (Lactuca sativa)
Organic Buttercrunch (Lactuca sativa)
Organic Red Giant Mustard (Brassica juncea)
Organic Dill (Anethum graveolens)
Organic Slow Bolt Cilantro (Coriandrum sativum)

Weight of seeds: 70g

**Warning:** Water may leak from playset. Do not play or set on a surface that could be damaged by water.