

# Magnus' Magical Forest

## Attraction Treatment

### Experience Summary

Explore an enchanted fairy-tale forest conjured up by Magnus the Sorcerer. This whimsical hands-on play zone features a charming children's ride, scenically integrated interactive elements and surprises around every corner, encouraging guests of all ages to wander the forest and uncover its many mysteries.

### Guest Experience

#### **Approach**

Beyond the Special Effects Show entrance, we discover a WALL OF TREES unlike anything seen in the region. Massive and impossibly twisted tree trunks form a LARGE ARCH that leads to a mysterious forest that lies beyond.

COLORFUL SIGNAGE indicates that this is the main entrance of MAGNUS' MAGICAL FOREST — an enchanting woodland conjured up by the powerful sorcerer MAGNUS.

#### **Scene A: Main Experience**

We step through the gnarled arch and onto the SOFT FOREST FLOOR of a magical woodland reminiscent of European fairy tales and peppered with TALL, DECIDUOUS HARDWOOD TREES.

DAPPLED DAYLIGHT [area lighting] filters down through the tree canopy that stretches above our heads. Four realistic EURASIAN EAGLE OWLS [simple animated figures] hoot rhythmically in the overhead branches and MAGICAL SPARKLES [fiber-optic lighting effects] twinkle through the canopy leaves, compelling us to explore this rich, enchanting woodland.

On the far end of the forest, guests exiting the adjacent Special Effects Show follow sparkling canopy lights into the Magical Forest.

Throughout the area, Magnus has posted SIMPLE WOODEN SIGNS (handwritten in his signature lighthearted flair) that instruct, point out items of interest and gently guide us through the magical forest that he has created.

Touching the trunks of certain trees near the entrance causes COLORFUL FLOWERS to magically bloom along their overhead branches. Grouped together between these trees are colorful, oversized MAGIC MUSHROOMS that GLOW [color-changing LEDs] with internal, color-changing illumination when touched.

In one corner of the forest, we can play in a MUSICAL MEADOW, where we can create music together by sweeping our hands through RAINBOW SUNBEAMS to play musical notes (like a natural version of a theremin instrument) and bang on child-sized HAND DRUMS.

The forest features two large SLEEPY TREES. Standing in front of one of these trees for several seconds causes it to awaken. The large WOODEN FACE [simple animated figure] sleepily yawns, blinks and addresses us (“Lemme sleep just five more minutes...”) before returning to its snoring slumber.

In another area of the forest, we discover a cluster of tree stumps. Standing on one of these SORCERY STUMPS changes the stump’s color [color-changing LEDs] and we hear a WHISPERED SECRET [directional audio] from the forest itself. If we work together with others to make all the stumps have matching colors, we unlock a secret effect that sends a COLOR BURST rippling through the canopy twinkle lights synchronized with a melody only we can hear.

We can look through magical, mounted binoculars called MAGIC LENSES to look at the environment around us. Fashioned from a patchwork of leaves and twigs, these special tilt-and-pivot viewers magically reveal HIDDEN CREATURES [digital augmented-reality overlays], invisible to everyone but us, that frolic and fly around the forest.

PIXIE PEEPHOLES are carved into various scenic elements (e.g., trees, rocks) and marked by simple signage. When we look inside, we’ll see a unique miniature diorama that comes to life as whimsical projected vignettes starring tiny fantasy creatures such as brownies and pixies.

Another part of the forest features the MYSTIC MAZE, a children’s hedge maze filled with realistic adorable WOODLAND CRITTERS [simple animated figures] such as squirrels, chipmunks and bunnies that briefly pop out of the hedge wall above our heads in response to our presence. The floor of the maze is riddled with ANIMAL FOOTPRINTS, encouraging young guests to track down the small creatures hiding in the maze.

A toddler-friendly TREE SLIDE, located in the middle of the forest, features flat mushroom steps leading to the top. Tucked into the far end of the forest is a small, rotating CHILDREN'S RIDE themed to fit the magical forest surroundings.

SCENIC FOREST WALLS and LAYERED SCRIM PROJECTIONS create an illusion that the Magical Forest extends far beyond the physical space. Unicorns and other fantasy creatures wander across the projected backdrop.

### **Prelim Elements List**

- Audio System
  - Overall BGM; Multiple Point-Source & Tight-Beam Speakers
- Video/Projection System
  - Layered Scrim Projections; Miniature Projection Effects (Peephole Dioramas)
- Dynamic Lighting
  - Fiber-Optic "Fairy Light" Effects (tree canopy, 114 exit)
- Interactive Elements
  - Blooming Trees
  - Magic Mushrooms
  - Musical Meadow
  - Sleepy Trees
  - Sorcery Stumps
  - Magic Lenses
  - Pixie Peepholes
  - Mystic Maze
- Animated Figures (hooting owls, sleepy trees, woodland critters)
- Small Children's Ride