Yoo Hoo!

Yesssess... We're calling for you dear ones! Come spend a few days with faeries in the verdant heart of Sussex, at the peak of summer when the sun draws our energies up and up...

Sussex Summer Solstice Gathering Saturday 17th June - Saturday 24th June Nr. Balcombe, Sussex



Our faerie home for the week is a sunny field at the edge of the Worth Abbey Estate near Balcombe - the same lovely site we used in 2021. We have capacity for 30 faeries to come and camp beside the woods and enjoy the beautiful land.

Our intention is to go on a journey together, nurturing the roots of community, with co-created workshops, heart circles, shared vegan cooking and gentle intimacy.

Against this peaceful backdrop we will build our energy up towards a peak experience, travelling towards the solstice in the middle of the week! And then back down again, spiralling down into groundedness with star-gazing, fires, nature walks and play.

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Let's make this an inclusive space for all our faerie diversity through our shared compassion, empathy, respect and love for each other and the land - that we are blessed to rest upon for these summer days and nights.

## Booking

### You can register here https://forms.gle/XZ3VrXwAKasjgvrq9

Numbers are limited to 30 faeries.

## **Gathering Fees**

We ask for a donation of **£20 - £30** per night to cover the cost of site rental and food. No one is turned away for lack of funds (NOTAFLOF).

£20 is our break even - additional donations and finance accepted enthusiastically (ADAFAE)

If you're hard up, disproportionately impoverished by the pandemic or just getting by on state benefits/low income no problem.

We embrace GAYABAGS - give as you are able but always give something We value your time, your gifts, your help with cooking, cleaning, performing, resting, sharing and loving!

• Please pay by bank transfer IN ADVANCE to: FaerieUK, Sort Code 08-92-99, Account 65488214, ref. "BTN" + your name.

#### Facilities

- A small car park for some **live-in vehicles** only. (It may be possible to park live-ins on the grass, but any damage to soft ground will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner to rectify.) Other vehicles (cars etc.) need to be left on the quiet lane outside.
- A camping field
- An indoor kitchen, dining space, loos and hot showers.
- A lot of land to explore
- 2 fire pits

# Health and wellbeing

Please note there are deer in the area so be tick aware - tuck long trousers in your socks if in the long grass.

Covid - All the usual advice applies. We will have lateral flow tests available on the land - if you would like to use one you are welcome to our supplies.

Please respect others' boundaries around e.g. personal space. Don't assume everyone is open to hugging, etc. - we will talk about consent at the beginning of the gathering.

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## Timings

- You are welcome to arrive from midday on Saturday 17th June.
- Opening Circle is Sunday after lunch. Please be sure you've arrived before then!
- We'll celebrate solstice eve and day (20th into 21st June)
- Departures Saturday from midday on Saturday 24th.

## Site rules

- No nudity outdoors thank you! (this is because a public footpath runs through the site)
- Stick to the boundaries of our land the neighbours' land is not faerie space thank you!
- Be full of respect for each other thank you!
- Non live-in vehicles (normal cars, that you're not sleeping in) need to be left out on the lane!
- Children, dogs and other pets need to be agreed with the venue in advance, and we will need to co-create a safeguarding policy for the group. <u>Please don't bring companions</u> <u>unannounced!</u>

## Travel

Car share with a faerie friend. Cars and other vehicles, that you're not sleeping in, need to be left parked out on the lane!

Balcombe train station is an hour walk away/15 minutes by bicycle/8 mins by car/taxi. Three Bridges station is a little further away, but better connected from London and further afield.

Let us know in advance of the gathering if you need a lift. Better safe than sorry!

<u>What3Words location</u> is: full.luring.massaging

## Any Questions to:

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With love and respect, Your faerie organisers Anchor, Arrow, Black Adda, Devon Oak, Pebble, Tempest and White Rose