







#### 1 to 24 December — IFS Cloud Cable Car – Santa's Grotto

Fly across the Thames on IFS Cloud Cable Car to land at the North Pole meet Santa Claus and his elves and receive a special gift to take home. Check <u>royaldocks.london/whats-on</u> for timings.

- 6 December, 3pm to 6pm
   Canning Town Library
  Christmas event. Come along
  for carol singing, Santa's Grotto,
  Christmas Crafts workshop and
  Christmas themed storytelling.
- 6 December, 5pm to 9pm

   Royal Albert Wharf Winter

  Market. Join Bow Arts to enjoy family-friendly fun at this years'
  Royal Albert Wharf Winter Market.
- 7 December, 12pm to 8pm Royal Docks Christmas Market
  This vibrant community market on the Royal Victoria Dock Corniche includes street food, arts and crafts stalls and performances and will run every weekend in December (starting Saturday 7 December 2024).
- 10 December, 3pm to 5:30pmCustom House LibraryChristmas event

Enjoy carol singing, Santa's Grotto and Christmas crafts workshops.

### 10 December, 3:15pm to 4:45pmChristmas Family Party

Come along to Royal Wharf Community Dock for music, crafts and games for primary school aged children and their families.

### 12 December, 6pm to 7:30pm — Carols on the Green

Join Royal Docks Community Church and local primary schools on Britannia Village Green for a festive singalong.

### 13 December, 2pm to 6pmChristmas at Beckton

Beckton Globe Library hosts an afternoon of Christmas-themed arts & crafts, performances and food.

### 17 December, 3:15pm to 4:45pm — DIY Nativity

Help Royal Wharf Community Docks create and perform a nativity in an afternoon!

## 18 December, 6pm to 9pm — WSF Youth Christmas Party

Join WSF Youth Club at Britannia Village Hall for food, hot chocolate, karaoke and a special surprise.









## CRACKLE'S BISCUITS

Perfect to eat while making paper snowflakes, or wrap them in baking paper to give to your





- Whisk (or electric whisk)
- Wooden spoon

- Rolling pin - Wire rack
- Baking tray and baking paper A glass or biscuit cutters



#### INGREDIENTS

2009 unsalted butter or margarine 200g golden caster sugar 400g plain flour

I large egg



Spices: I-2 tsp total of any ground spices you like the smell of

Cardamom

Ginger

Cloves

Cinnamon

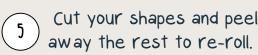


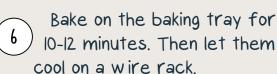
you could add patterns with

a fork



- Beat sugar, butter and egg (and vanilla?) together in a bowl. Then mix in the flour (and spices?).
  - Form into a ball with your hands and pop into the fridge in a bowl with a plate on top for 30 minutes.
- Pre-heat your oven to 200°C/180°C fan / Gas mark 6 and line a baking tray with baking paper.
- Roll out the dough on a floured surface to about 0.5 cm thick.

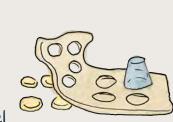












# Meet Glisten and Glow. They are winter sprites.

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You may not know, but winter sprites are very important magical creatures.

They look after all the special, wintery winter things.



#### Glow loves:



Watching the dreams of hibernating hedgehogs, snuggling with sleepy pigeons, and the smell of hot chocolate.



#### Glisten loves:

Skating on frozen puddles, painting frosty patterns on windows, and staying up all night yelping with foxes.



Even though they are quite different,

Glisten and Glow are great friends.



Turn over to read their story but first:
What are your top three wintery things to do?



Glisten was making a thing from the snow, when robin arrived with a letter from Glow.

"To Glisten," it read,

"Please visit at noon."

"Thanks robin" said Glisten,

then "Yikes! That's so soon!"

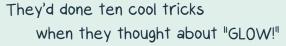


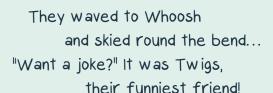




As Glisten raced off,
they saw their friend Whoosh,
doing tricks on a leaf
like "The Flip" and "The Swoosh."

"That looks FUN," said Glisten,
"Can I have a quick go?"





Glisten couldn't resist

and the jokes were so fun,

"BUT now I'll be late,

unless I run, run, run, run!"





As they ran they noticed their long W inter shadow, "Perfect for dancing!" they thought.

"But wait hold on... NO!"



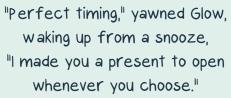
"I don't want to be late and
upset my friend Glow!
And to get there on time
I must go, go, go, GO!"



Before you turn over to find out if Glisten makes it, tell your best joke to whoever you're with.

At three minutes past noon, Glisten burst through the door "SORRY I'M LATE!" they yelled, spraying snow on the floor.





"I LOVE IT! THANK YOU!" said Glisten.

"Do you want to hear a new joke?"

"Yes please!" said Glow, "And let's have hot chocolates under your new cloak!"

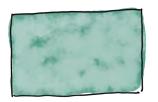


## PIN'S PAPER SNOWFLAKES



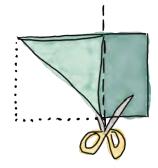
Thin paper like new spaper or printer paper

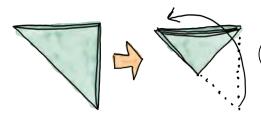
Scissors



Start with your paper flat on the table.

Fold up the whole corner so it meets the top edge, making a big triangle. Cut off the extra rectangle.





Fold the big triangle in half to make a smaller triangle.



Whoosh loves it when Twigs tells jokes.



What do you call a snowman in summer? A puddle.



What's black and white, black and white, black and white?

A penguin rolling down a hill.

What did the woolly hat say to the scarf?

You hang around while I go on ahead.

What do you call hedgehog friends who hibernate together?

Hiber-mates.















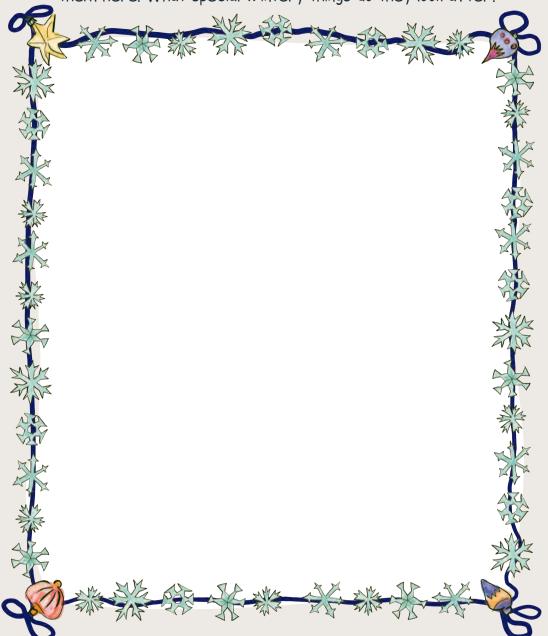




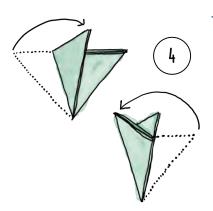




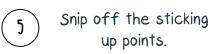
Winter sprites come in all kinds! Imagine your own and draw them here. What special wintery things do they look after?







This is the trickiest bit: fold over a third of the smaller triangle - the top will stick up. Fold the other third over the other way. Only crease it when you have them lined up equally.







Cut away some parts from the sides.









# JOIN US FOR WINTERY ADVENTURES IN THE ROYAL DOCKS!

Venture outside to enjoy fantastic music, creative activities, wintery stories & spread some winter magic with activities to do at home.



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