

Shrek Character Breakdown - 58 character roles

Shrek

Our story's title character. A big, green, terrifying ogre who lives alone on a swamp. He journeys to rid his land of fairytale creatures and, along the way, falls in love with Fiona. Begins as a grumpy hermit, but eventually becomes the hero. Strong acting and singing voice.

NOTE - the actor playing this role will be required to wear latex make-up appliances.

Gender: Male

Fiona

The beautiful princess of Far Far Away, she transforms into an ogre every night when the sun sets. Rescued by Shrek and eventually falls in love with him. Quirky, blunt, and multitalented, she is not an ordinary princess. Strong acting and singing voice.

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Gender: Female

Lord Farquaad

The comically short, ruthless ruler of Duloc. He is in search of a princess to marry so that he can become king. Has an intensely unfair bias against fairytale creatures that stems from a resentment of his father. Self-absorbed, lonely, and cruel. Strong singer, actor, and comic actor. Actor must be able to play this role on his knees for the whole show.

Gender: Male

Donkey

A talking donkey who joins Shrek on the run from Farquaad's guards. Quite the chatterbox, he is not deterred by Shrek's looks and practically forces himself into his good graces. Easily frightened and pushy, but also optimistic with heart. Strong acting and singing voice.

Gender: Male

Dragon

A dragon that has been charged with guarding Princess Fiona in her isolated castle. She eventually falls in love with Donkey and attempts to keep him there forever. Imposing and flirtatious, but tired of her job as the glorified baby-sitter. Strong singing voice.

Gender: Female

Young Fiona

Princess Fiona as a little girl. Sings a solo in "I Know It's Today" with Teen Fiona and Fiona. Strong acting and singing voice.

Gender: Female

Teen Fiona

Princess Fiona as a teenager. Sings a solo in “I Know It’s Today” with Young Fiona and Fiona. Strong acting and singing voice.

Gender: Female

Moma Ogre

Shrek’s mother. Sings a beautiful duet with Papa Ogre to young Shrek in the opening number “Big, Bright, Beautiful World.” Strong singing voice.

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Gender: Female

Papa Ogre

Shrek’s father. Sings a beautiful duet with Mama Ogre to young Shrek in the opening number “Big, Bright, Beautiful World.” Strong singing voice.

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Gender: Male

Little Ogre

Plays Young Shrek in “Big, Bright, Beautiful World”. No lines or singing.

NOTE - the actor playing this role will be required to wear latex make-up appliances.

Gender: Male

Gingy

A gingerbread man initially kidnapped by Lord Farquaad. His wit and resolution help him both avoid trouble and inspire the rest of the fairytale creatures. Comedic voice required.

Strong acting and singing voice.

Gender: Any

Captain

The caption of Lord Farquaad’s guard. Strong acting voice.

Gender: Any

Storytellers 1,2,3

The Storytellers help move the story along. Strong acting and singing voice.

Gender: Any

Mirror

The Magic Mirror is the same mirror seen in Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Strong acting voice.

Gender: Any

Pinocchio

The leader of the fairytale creatures. He is an animated puppet whose nose grows every time he lies. Plenty of sass with a penchant for lying.

NOTE - the actor playing this role will be required to wear latex make-up appliances. Strong acting and singing voice.
Gender: Any

Big Bad Wolf

Famous adversary of Little Red Riding Hood. Strong acting and singing voice.
Gender: Male

Pied Piper

Leads the tap-dancing rats with a flute. Strong acting voice.
Gender: Any

Bishop

Leads the wedding ceremony for Lord Farquaad and Fiona. Strong acting voice.
Gender: Any

Duloc performer

A Duloc singer/dancer with a spoken solo in "What's up, Duloc?" Strong acting voice.
Gender: Any

Big Head Duloc Mascot

Wears a large mascot head. Strong acting voice.
Gender: Any

Little Pigs 1,2,3

The Three Little Pigs sing and act with plenty of attitude. All three must have good comedic timing.

NOTE - the actor playing this role will be required to wear latex make-up appliances. Strong acting and singing voice.
Gender: Any

Wicked Witch

The Wicked Witch is among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad. Comedic role with a colorful personality.

Strong acting and singing voice.
NOTE - the actor playing this role will be required to wear latex make-up appliances.
Gender: Female

Peter Pan

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad. Good acting and singing voice.
Gender: Any

Ugly Duckling

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad. Good acting and singing voice.
Gender: Any

Fairy Godmother

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad. Good acting and singing voice.
Gender: Female

Sugar Plum Fairy

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad.

Gender: Female

Blind Mice 1,2,3

The Three Blind Mice sing and dance with plenty of attitude. All three must have good comedic timing.

Gender: Any

Knights 1,2,3,4

The Four Knights are part of the Dragon song and dance squad.

Good acting and singing voice.

Gender: Any

Dragonettes 1,2,3,4

The Four Dragonettes are part of the Dragon song and dance squad.

Good singing voice.

Gender: Female

Skeletons 1,2,3,4

The Four Skeletons are part of the Dragon song and dance squad.

Good singing voice.

Gender: Any

Grumpy Dwarf

Lord Farquaad's long-lost father.

Good acting voice.

Gender: Male

Rooster

Wakes up the audience to, "Morning Person." Must be able to crow like a rooster.

Gender: Any

Mama Bear

Stand out solos in "Freak Flag."

Strong acting and singing voice.

Gender: Female

Papa Bear

Gender: Male

Baby Bear

Good acting and singing voice.

Gender: Any

Mad Hatter

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad.

Gender: Any

Humpty Dumpty

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad.

Gender: Any

White Rabbit

Among the fairytale creatures who are sent to Shrek's swamp by Lord Farquaad.

Gender: Any

Puss in Boots

Short walk-on part in "Travel Song." No lines or singing.

Gender: Any

Puppets: Bunny, Cow, Dish, Spoon, Antelope, Giraffe

Short walk-on parts in "Travel Song." All have short lines and control puppets.

Good acting voice.

Gender: Any