Tiny Friends

Ever since I was little, I have wanted to see a fairy or a gnome or an elf or any tiny, magical creature. My brother and I would often search for them in the backyard. We'd look in little holes in trees, under the stairs, in my mom's garden. I'm still pretty sure there was a miniature leprechaun living in the hallway of my childhood home. I would leave him pennies and tiny portions of food that always seemed to magically disappear when I left the room.

Though I have never been lucky enough to see a fairy or gnome with my own eyes, I had a lot of fun looking for them and really got to know my backyard from a different perspective. Compared to fairies, humans are giants! A normal sized tree to us is a massive tree to a fairy. Gnomes probably look at a creek and think it's the size of the ocean. Spending time searching for fairies and gnomes made me look at the ground a lot more. I found cool rocks and tiny flowers that I probably wouldn't have noticed if I was just running around my yard playing. It made me think about nature in a different way.

Extreme Makeover: Fairy Home Edition

A great way to consider the world from a tiny creature's point of view is by building them a house! A lot of people call these tiny homes “fairy homes,” but you can make yours for any tiny creature you like!

Check out the little house I created above. All I did was collect a bunch of sticks and lean them up against a tree. Instant tiny creature house! I also chose to decorate mine with some pretty flowers above the door and made a pathway out of leaves so the new resident would feel welcome. If you want to make your house a little more stable, you can make salt dough and secure your sticks that way. I put pictures of all kinds of different fairy houses on the next page so you can be inspired to make an awesome one of your own.

Take a picture of your tiny house and tag Imago on Facebook or Instagram so we can see your awesome creations!

Time to explore! Miss Mo - Fairy Wannabe
Fairy and Gnome Home Inspiration