

SHREK Character Descriptions (in alphabetical order)

SHREK

Prides himself on being a big, green, terrifying ogre. Shrek was kicked out at a young age to live alone until the fairytale creatures disturb him in his swamp. In an effort to regain his peace he goes on a trip along the way meeting Donkey who accompanies him the rest of his journey to Duloc, to save Princess Fiona and back again.

[Strong, rich tone quality Tenor/Baritone with legit G4.]

FIONA

Princess Fiona is the princess of Far Far Away, daughter of King Harold and Queen Lillian. Fiona has a transforming spell over her that turns her into an ogre every night when the sun sets. This spell can only be broken with a true loves' kiss. Upon meeting Shrek she finds that she has fallen in love with him. Not your "traditional" princess.

[Bright, warm Soprano who can belt. Tap experience a plus.]

DONKEY

Donkey is a talking donkey on the run from Farquaad's guards. After being saved by Shrek he sticks by Shrek's side and accompanies him on his trip to save Fiona from the Far Away Castle.

[Strong tenor voice with soulful style.]

LORD FARQUAAD

A comically short, ruthless ruler of the huge castle of Duloc. In his pursuit of perfection he attempts to rid the city of fairytale creatures. Farquaad wants to become a king but because he is not of royal stock, he cannot until he marries a princess.

[Character 1st Tenor with bright tone quality. Must be capable of dance movement on knees.]

DRAGON

A female dragon that has been charged with guarding Princess Fiona in her isolated castle. When Shrek and Donkey arrive at the castle it is Shrek who goes to rescue the princess and Donkey who finds himself at the mercy of Dragon. Donkey becomes trapped by Dragon and becomes her prisoner of love. In terror, he successfully, but unintentionally, wins her over. Dragon comes back at the end of the musical to help save the day with Farquaad.

[Mezzo-Belter with gospel sound a la Aretha Franklin.]

ENSEMBLE CHARACTERS

Little Shrek, Mama and Papa Ogre, King Harold and Queen Lillian, Angry Mob, Happy People, Young Shrek, Young Fiona, Teen Fiona, Captain and his Guards, Knights, Three Blind Mice, Bishop, Rat dancers and Pied Piper, Duloc Citizens/Dancers

[All strong singers with some featured solo/duet moments.]

Tap experience is preferable for Pied Piper and required for Rat dancers.]

FAIRYTALE CREATURES

Gingy, Pinocchio, Big Bad Wolf, Three Little Pigs, White Rabbit, Fairy Godmother, Peter Pan, Wicked Witch, Sugar Plum Fairy, Ugly Duckling, Three Bears, Mad Hatter, Humpty Dumpty, Elf, Dwarves, etc.

[All strong singers with some featured solo/duet moments. Must move well.]