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*of* TREES

# **Illumination Tree Lights at The Morton Arboretum Social Story**

I will be going to  
*Illumination: Tree Lights at  
The Morton Arboretum.*  
There, I can see the trees  
decorated with colorful  
lights and listen to festive  
music.

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The Morton Arboretum



Dressing in layers will help my body stay warm when it is cold outside.





I can bring headphones to  
help if the music is loud or  
sunglasses if the lights  
are too bright.



First, we will find a place to park. If the main lot (P1) is full, we can park in other spaces and take a shuttle which will bring us closer to the entrance.



When I arrive, I will wait  
to go inside the ticket  
center (Sycamore Room).  
Waiting can be hard, but I  
can look at all the colorful  
tree lights until it is my  
turn.



Once I am inside, I can hand my ticket to the staff member behind the counter. They will scan my ticket and show me which way to go.





It is important that I stay  
with my group. If I get  
separated, I can find a  
staff member or volunteer  
wearing a name tag who  
can help me.





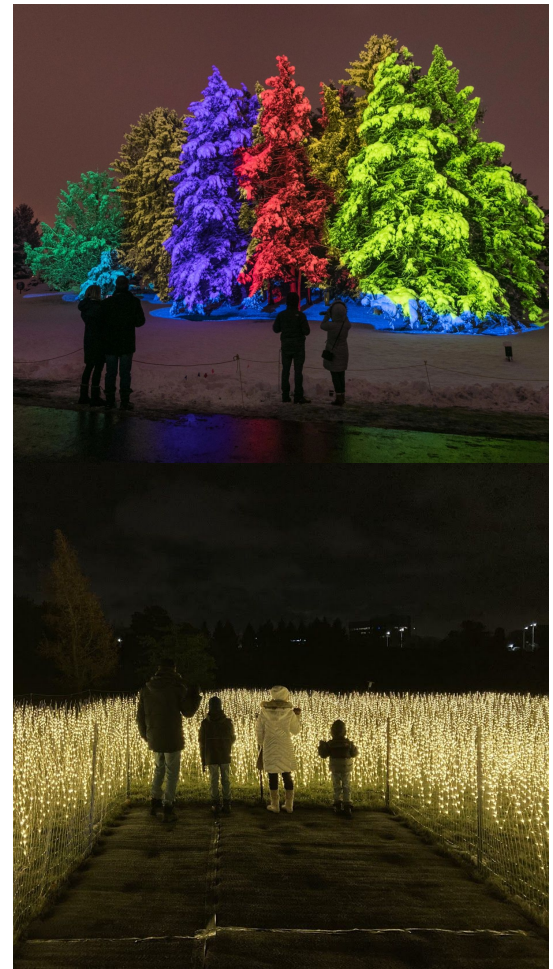
The trail begins through  
the Enchanted Gateway  
where I will enter  
underneath colorful  
streamers.



Along the way, there are many different lights to enjoy! Each feature has a name displayed on a colorful sign.

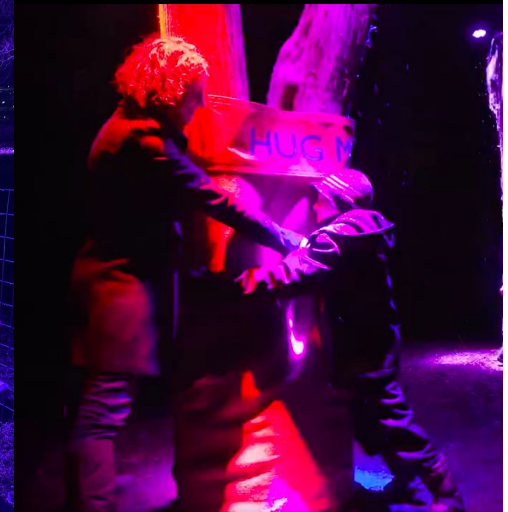


I can breathe with trees at  
Treemagination or look at  
the lights surrounding me  
in the Golden Glade. The  
music here is a softer  
volume.





Some areas are interactive! I can pose to see my colorful shadow, hug a tree, and even change the colors of the lights.



If there are other visitors  
in an area I would like to  
try, I can wait until they  
are finished or ask to take  
a turn.



If I need to take a break, I  
can rest at a bench along  
the trail.





If I need to use the restroom when we are on the trail, there are signs that show which way to go.



If I get hungry, I can get something to eat from the Visitor's Center or the concession stands.



There are fire pits along the trail. I need to stay safe by not getting too close. If I get a s'mores kit from the concession stand, I can roast marshmallows here.





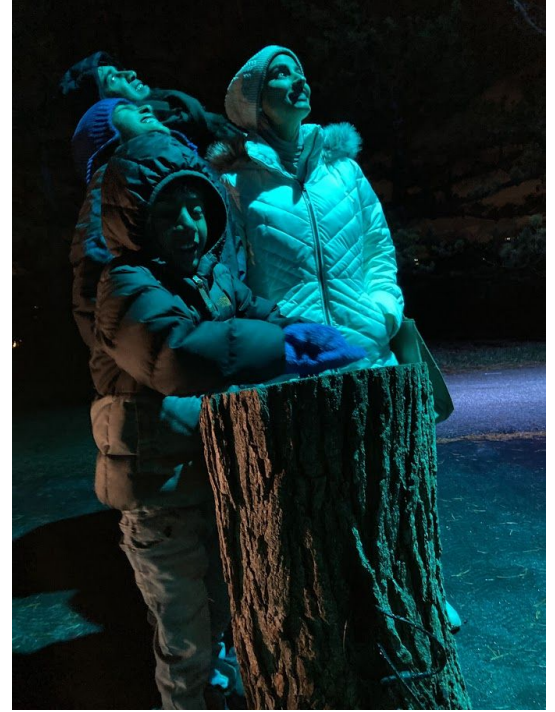
The path continues  
through the Festival of  
Lanterns. There are many  
different shapes and  
colors here!



As the trail comes to an  
end, we get to enjoy the  
finale at Radiant  
Reflections on the water!



Knowing what to expect  
made my visit to  
*Illumination* fun and  
enjoyable!





For other seasonal sensory support resources, visit [The Morton Arboretum Website](#).





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To collect and study trees, shrubs, and other plants from around the world, to display them across naturally beautiful landscapes for people to study and enjoy, and to learn how to grow them in ways that enhance our environment.

Our goal is to encourage the planting and conservation of trees and other plants for a greener, healthier, and more beautiful world.