

Throw your own Mad Hatter's Tea Party!



We would love you to join in our celebrations for *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland's* 150th birthday, and what better way to celebrate than throwing your own Mad Hatter's Tea Party? This helpful guide contains tips on decorations, food and activities... everything you need to throw your own Alice-themed party.

Decorations

Make your own bunting using [this template](#). Just print it and cut the triangles out carefully and then stick them to some string. You can make the bunting as long as you like. Make sure an adult helps you with the cutting out.

Make a Mad table cloth. Buy a plain tablecloth and decorate it by using stamps, paints or sticking on pictures of characters.

Scatter playing cards or shapes like hearts and clubs on the table.

Print and cut out the White Rabbit's [pocket watch](#) and use this as a placemat – you can also get your guests to colour it in. If you want more colouring, [this Mad Hatter](#) could do with a splash.

Food & Drink

Attach Drink Me and Eat Me labels using ribbon or string to bottles, teacups, bowls, plates and anything else that holds food or drink.

Remember, nothing matches on the Mad Hatter's table so use an assortment of different sized cups, plates, bowls, even teapots – anything goes.

Decorate the cocktail sticks for your sausages or cheese and pineapple with Alice designs. All you need to do is print out pictures of Alice and her tea party companions, or clubs and hearts, and glue them to the ends of the sticks.

Bake cookies or mini cupcakes and write Eat Me on them in icing. You can also bake cookies in the shape of the letters Eat Me or teacups, rabbits, or shapes from playing cards.

If you are feeling adventurous you could even bake a cake in the shape of a mushroom or a teapot.

Activities & Games

Find the White Rabbit

Gather a lot of teacups and put them upside down on a table. Hide the White Rabbit (or any other suitable Alice character) underneath one of them.

Guests take turns and lift one cup per turn – you can shuffle the cups after each turn if you'd like. The winner is the one who finds the White Rabbit.

Humpty Dumpty

Get your guests to paint some hard-boiled eggs to look like Humpty Dumpty, the best one wins a prize.

Queen of Hearts Says

Everyone has to follow the orders of the Queen of Hearts or it's 'Off With Their Heads'. Play this game like Simon Says; if you don't do what the queen says then you are out. The last one standing is the winner.

Good parties need good costumes. You and your guests could draw and cut out some Alice masks.

Now you have everything you could possibly need to throw your own Mad Hatter's Tea Party – Macmillan hope you enjoy your trip to Wonderland!

"It's no use going back to yesterday, because I was a different person then."

Alice