

# *The Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood*

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## CHARACTER ROLES

### **Robin Hood** (principal character) (late teens to twenties)

Robin is our dashing hero with a large ego. He is quite impressed with himself. He is a cross between a super hero and Niles Crane of *Frasier*. However, his heart is good for his mission to help the poor of England.

### **Lady Marion** (principal character) (late teens to twenties)

Marion is the lovely damsel in distress. She is the niece of King Richard and Prince John. She is also Robin's true love. She is a cross between the beautiful lady and Miss Piggy. She is kind, charming and shares Robin's quest to aid the needy. However, she has a strange obsession with skin conditions.

### **Prince John** (key secondary character) (adult: twenties to fifties)

Prince John is the head bad guy – typically evil, selfish, greedy and has positively no regard for the welfare of England or its people. He seeks to take over the throne of his brother, Richard, and be thoroughly despicable.

### **Sheriff of Nottingham** (key secondary character) (adult: thirties to fifties)

The Sheriff is Prince John's partner in crime and shares all his prime qualities. He is a master sportsman and Robin's chief rival. He hopes to marry Marion.

### **Town's Guys/Gals** (key secondary characters) (teens to twenties)

This is the key role of the Narrator and will be handled by one or two actors. They are the local yokels – Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum, so to speak. They befriend Robin and help him out of some tight situations, while teaching him a few lessons.

### **Friar Tuck** (key secondary character) (adult: thirties to fifties)

A rotund member of Robin's band of merry men – a holy relic.

### **Will Scarlet** (secondary character) (late teen to twenties)

One of Robin's merry men – a "wise guy".

### **Little John** (key secondary character) (late teens to twenties)

One of Robin's merry men – a big lummoX with the IQ of six.

**Allan Adale** (secondary character) (late teens to twenties)

One of Robin's merry men – slightly brighter than Little John.

**Lady in Waiting** (secondary character) (late teen to adult)

Lady Marion's attendant who is fed up with life at the castle. Has a loud scream.

**Robin's Band of Merry Men and Women** (supporting characters)  
(teens to twenties)

Collectively, the band of men and women behave somewhat like a pack of happy but none-too-bright stray dogs. There will be openings for up to 3 roles.

**Fawning Ladies** (supporting characters) (teens)

Four ladies who fawn over Prince John, feeding his ego.

**Guards** (supporting characters) (teens)

Two guards who will probably be doubled by two of the extra Merry Men.

**Rich Man** (supporting character) (adult) (non-speaking role)

Doubled by Prince John.

**Poor Lady with Baby** (supporting character) (non-speaking role)

Doubled by one of the Fawning Ladies.