

# Sleeping Beauty

## - the ugly truth

### **Reducing the cast size**

Minimum Cast Number: **33**

Here is our suggestion to reduce the cast size without compromising the plot.

If you have a competent performer, the roles of Narrators can be reduced to one who reads all the lines.

The roles of Cooks and Citizens can be reduced to three of each and the lines redistributed.

Some of the speaking and non-speaking characters appear in only one scene. This allows for the 'doubling-up' of parts played by your cast, thus reducing the number you need to fulfil all the main roles, as below:

<b>Speaking Part</b>	<b>Also playing part/s</b>
Bert Mulcher (Sc 3)	Citizen #1 (Sc 8)
<b>Non-Speaking Part</b>	<b>Also playing part/s</b>
6 x Not-So-Beautiful	6 x Trees (Sc 7,8)

### **Increasing the cast size**

To **80+**

For this production, you can have **unlimited numbers of non-speaking characters** in the scenes where they appear. They could also feature prominently in the performance of the song associated with their particular scene:

<b>Non-Speaking Part</b>	<b>Appearing in scene/s</b>
Beautiful Ones	1, 4, 7
Not-So-Beautiful Ones	1, 4
Palace Workers	3
Tall Trees	7, 8

You could also have a dedicated choir seated to one side of the stage, to sing all songs – number unlimited.

Please get in touch if you have any further questions about staging this musical – we're always happy to help!