

The Stars Come Out For Christmas

Reducing the cast size

Minimum Cast Number: **30**

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

The roles of the Fans can be reduced to 4 with their lines redistributed.

Some of the speaking and non-speaking characters appear in only one scene. This allows for the 'doubling-up' or 'tripling-up' of parts played by your cast, thus reducing the number you need to fulfil all the main roles. If only one representative from each group appears for a bow in the final scene, the other members can take another part, as below:

Speaking Part	Also playing part/s
Announcer (Sc 1)	Child #2 (Sc 3) and Joseph (Sc 6,7)
Christmas Card #2 (Sc1)	Christmas Tree #2 (Sc 4) and Gabriel (Sc 6,7)
Christmas Card #3 (Sc1)	Christmas Tree #3 (Sc 4) and Angel (6,7)
Reindeer (Sc 2)	Christmas Diner #2 (Sc 5)
Elf (Sc 2)	Christmas Diner #3 (Sc 5)
Child #3 (Sc 3)	Mary (Sc 6)
Non-Speaking Parts	Also playing part/s
2 x Christmas cards (Sc	2 x Snowy Children (Sc 3) and 2 x Diners (Sc 5
2 x Reindeer/Elves (Sc 2)	2 x Christmas Trees (Sc 4) and 2 x Shepherds/Angels (Sc 6)

Increasing the cast size

To **90+**

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 scenes:

Non-speaking parts	Appearing in scene/s
More Fans	All
Christmas Cards	1
Reindeer and Elves	2
Snowy Children	3
Christmas Trees	4
Diners	5
Shepherds and Angels	6

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!