

Grrug

A Windmill Theatre Company Production

Based on the much-loved picture book character created by Ted Prior

A SENSORY GUIDE





SYNOPSIS:

Grug began his life as the top of a Burrawang tree that fell to the ground. Resembling a small, striped haystack with feet and a nose, Grug is fascinated by the world around him and solves everyday problems creatively and without fuss.

When dancing instructions are too difficult to understand, he invents his own dance and calls it 'The Grug'. When snails eat his cabbages, Grug plants more cabbages so there will be enough for both him and the snails.

Celebrating 10 years of performances in 2020, Ted Prior's hugely popular character is brought to life in Windmill's magical stage production. Having performed to more than 50,000 children and families worldwide, *Grug* is perfect for our youngest theatre lovers.

DURATION:

35 minutes (no interval).

RECOMMENDED AGE:

Grug is recommended for young people aged 2-7 and is suitable for Grug-fans of any age.

SHOW WARNINGS:

Grug contains some loud sound effects and sudden lighting changes.



SENSORY BREAKDOWN

- **Show Opening:** Gentle harp music as the story begins.
- **3 Minutes:** Grug disappears into a burrow to build his house. Loud building noise occurs.
- **5 Minutes:** Performer reaches into the audience to retrieve a backpack. Encourages minimal participation from audience members.
- **9 Minutes:** Gentle lighting change to darkened lighting state as Grug goes to bed.
- **10 Minutes:** Sudden lighting change back to day-time.
- **11 Minutes:** Loud growling as Grug gets hungry.
- **12 Minutes:** Lighting change to blue lighting state as Grug goes fishing. Set is turned to reveal a performer underwater with goggles on.
- **13 Minutes:** Grug makes a loud noise as he falls into the water and is bitten on the nose by a very mischevious crab.
- **18 Minutes:** Cara the Carpet Snake appears and surprises Grug as she slithers across the stage
- **22 Minutes:** Music changes as Grug learns to dance. Volume gets progressively louder as he begins to move. The audience is invited to join in, stand up, and learn the Grug dance.
- **25 Minutes:** Music changes as Grug and Cara the Carpet Snake play soccer.
- **30 Minutes:** Lighting change as Grug discovers his birthday surprise. Audience is encouraged to cheer and wish him a happy birthday
- **32 Minutes:** Lighting change to darkened lighting state as Grug goes to sleep for the final time.





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