

# Sacred Forest

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The forest behind the Fox Pagoda that connects with Oni Shrine. It's said that wandering spirits take up residence in the forest, and it's ill-advised for the living to stroll through here.

-- *Unknown*

It seems to be permanently evening within this eerie forest... Perhaps it's the thickly grown trees-- their branches and leaves intertwined above so densely that every mote of light is blocked out. Locals stay far away from this woodland, taking the surrounding paths on their way to the Oni Shrine or Fox Pagoda. Signs of warning are posted about, yet inevitably visitors ignore them... some make it out with fantastic stories of speaking with wisp-like spirits, and others are never seen again.

## History

An area avoided by all who inhabit Crossroads, except for the unwise. A strange breeze blows through Sacred Forest, and there seem to be eyes watching from all around-- hungry and curious. Multicolored spirits, wisp-like in shape, float aimlessly through the trees. Some are silent, some wail in sorrow, and others tell travelers of the life they lived. These wisps, however, are not the only things to wander these woods. The remains of a once-great demonic army, covered head to toe in grotesque eyes, stalk these grounds. They go after the spirits for snacks, but these demonic beats prefer a fresh meal. After one too many visitors had gone missing, locals posted up signs around the forest, warning of the dangers within. It's up to you, however, to heed them.

## Sacred Forest

Lost Woods



### Main inhabitants

None

### Soundscape

Eerie whispering, and ominous wind.

### Biome

A foggy, dense forest full of twisting paths and wandering vines.

### Aesthetic

Dark and Eerie

### Notable Features

The signs warning visitors not to wander in on their own.

# Gallery

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Sacred Forest Palette

# Author's Notes

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