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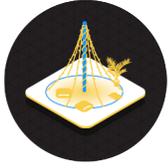
Garden UFO

Surround a tall garden stake with string lights to stage your very own friendly UFO encounter. Use multiple string light strands with the loose ends secured on the ground around you to make a light beam tent you can sit inside while you let your imagination run wild. Add pillows, blankets, lanterns and music to set the scene— as well as any celestial accessories or activities like face paint or your favorite figurines. *For grown-ups: Enjoy a quiet summer night hang sesh under the light beam as a picturesque alternative to screen time.*



GARDEN POLE BASE

1. Place a large garden stake securely in the ground. Other options include an outdoor umbrella or existing tall structure in your backyard.
2. Secure multiple strands of string lights to the top of the pole. Take one strand and wrap it tightly around the base as it cascades down. Pull the remaining strands taut away from the pole and secure them to the ground using small stakes or other secure objects.



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PARTS NEEDED

✓	A Belief in the Unknown		Rope or Twine
	5-6 Strands of String Lights		1 Roll of Tape
	Assorted Pillows and Blankets		Lanterns
	Garden Stake or Maypole		Out of this World Tunes
	Books and Games		
	Glitter Face Paint		

DIRECTIONS

1. Build the **GARDEN POLE BASE**.
2. Secure your light strands down to make a "tent" with the lights. This is your light beam!
3. Arrange lanterns and other light sources around the perimeter of the light beam in a circle. To fill any empty space, add potted plants or other accessories!
4. Make the space cozy by adding blankets and pillows to the ground.
5. Add spooky music to set the scene, then enjoy creative UFO-themed activities like star-gazing (searching the sky for alien spacecraft), glitter face paint, or your favorite game.
6. Share your creation on social using **#CatFortChallenge**.