

Wormwood Productions

<http://www.castlewormwood.com/spider.htm>

Spider

This is one of the first major props of 2008, this spider is huge! The Spider is 10' X10' , completely 3 dimensional and is a very scary spidey. The idea for this spider came from a trip to Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk where there is a Giant Spider hanging above a ride called Haunted Castle. I wanted one, so we made one.



This is the basic frame of the spider. The rounded parts of PVC that you see were bent using a propane torch.

Please always use caution when using a torch, when heating and bending the PVC, we were being careful and even then we (I) still had a few minor burns. Wear gloves when doing this kind of project and a hose standing by for safety and to also cool the PVC more quickly.



After some more heating and bending, throw on a couple of legs, and the spider is starting to take shape.



Do you see it yet?

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How about now? Yeah, i thought so.



Though we did not take pictures of the process, you can tell that Great Stuff was used to create the body of the massive arachnid.

We first wrapped the PVC frame of the spider in plastic, and then applied the Great Stuff and carved the body to be the right shape. worked out nicely, but it used up a lot of the GS (Great Stuff).

What we should have done was to first wrap the frame in chicken wire to give us a design closer to the correct shape, and we wouldn't have to layer the GS and carve it. Oh well. Live and learn. Note the Big Mouth prop in the background.



This picture was just added to show the scale of the monster, and also because I do not believe i am the only person who has ever wanted to ride a giant spider.

The head of the spider was created the same as the body except we DID use a wire frame to cut down on the amount of Great Stuff used.



Add some black spray paint, hot glue on some eyeballs (party store human eyeballs cut in half and painted), some pincers and voila!

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You could add a web too if you would like.

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