## **Children's Wishing Tree**

Remember Christmas as a little kid? All of those colored lights, shiny ornaments, and the tinsel? Counting down the days to Christmas was an agony. Wouldn't it ever get here? Little by little, Mom would start putting out Christmas decorations in the living room and dining room. The ceramic Noel candleholders and the little angels in red gowns came first. Then the Santa cups, one for each of us.

Slowly but surely, packages would start appearing like magic under the tree; from this family member to that one. Little hints of the big day to come, but never anything from Santa. Of course we shook every box many times. And almost never guessed what was inside.

But most of all, it was the magic spell the Christmas tree cast when you lay down and looked up through the branches. It was the lights reflecting off the shiny glass ornaments, the red and white candies, the fresh green smell, and the glittering tinsel looking like icicles. Everything holding it's breath waiting for Christmas morning, just like you.

## These are the holiday memories that gave rise to Linkydoodles. Enjoy!

The anticipation of Santa's visit can become almost unbearable ... when naughty-or-nice takes on a new urgency. The Children's Wishing Tree is a tabletop tree with special notes to Santa. To reward a good deed, a special note to Santa can be hung on the tree with a Linkydoodle. For example:



To make the Santa cards, use Microsoft Word with Avery template 8371. Print on Avery business card sheets (item #8871). Punch a hole in the upper corner for the Linkydoodle and hang on the tree.