



Hey kids! Color this page and help the Easter Bunny find eggs for his basket.

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Hoppin' down the bunny trail

Website has tips on everything Easter

Tomorrow is the first Sunday after the first full moon after the vernal equinox, otherwise known as Easter. The celebration, one of the holiest days in Christianity, is a movable feast that is always celebrated on a Sunday, the day of the Resurrection.

It is the Sunday after the vernal full moon because Passover was observed on that moon, and the Last Supper occurred on Passover.

In addition to the religious significance of Easter, it has become a fun-filled, family day, full of chocolate bunnies, egg hunts and fancy hats and dresses.

If you're planning on having the family over to celebrate but could use some help with the planning and preparation, visit kaboose.com and click on the Easter tab. The site is loaded with recipes, crafts, activities and more to help make the day enjoyable for all.

Loads of content

The main content area of the site is divided into three columns. A thin, left side column features "Most popular" and "Site Favorites" links. There's also an ad for a contest to

win a Disney Fairy Tale wedding.

The center column is the widest and features the main content of the site. There are four tabs at the top that take you to sections on crafts, recipes, egg hunts and cards. Each of these sections has links to subcategories related to the main subject.

Under crafts, for instance, you can select "Bunny Ears for Kids" and you'll be taken to a page with detailed instructions on how to make them.

Most of the crafts and activities are geared to younger kids, although everybody enjoys coloring eggs. Some projects can be printed out, such as cards, templates, games and pictures to color. There are online games and quizzes, and even recommendations for Easter movies.

The recipes cover main entrees, side dishes and, of course, candies and desserts. The instructions are pretty thorough, with ingredient lists, cooking instructions, recommended substitutions, nutrition information and pictures.

Below the main package in the center column are more links to the same type of information as in the main tabs. It's a little redundant, but the site designers must have felt they needed to fill the space.

The right side column has videos of Easter crafts at the top. Below that are ads and links to related content.

Disney's values show

Kaboose is part of the Disney empire, so the production values on the site are top notch. The design is classy but safe, nothing edgy or controversial. The navigation is well thought out, functional and intuitive. There are ads on the site, including many for Disney products, but they don't intrude on the content with annoying pop-ups or repetitive, distracting animation.

The site is not dedicated strictly to Easter, so it's worth visiting throughout the year for different holidays. And it's not dedicated strictly to holidays either. It's full of information on family-themed subjects. Besides holidays, there's information on health issues, parenting, contests, finances, relationships, home decorating and renovation, fashion, education and more. The different subjects are all accessible via a series of links across the top of the page.

The site is not especially exciting or entertaining, but it has lots of good information. It would make a good bookmark on any family's list of favorite websites.

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