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"It's not much farther in," Luna said, looking over her shoulder. She didn't even look as she leapt lightly forward. "We shouldn't have any problems."

Fine for her to say! She couldn't weigh more than one of those dragonflies flitting about!

"I believe you – really! Only, I hadn't thought I'd need to slog through a bog to find it." Colin held his camera aloft as he followed her onto the suspicious-looking hummock. "I was expecting maybe a ring of toadstools or going under a hill."

"Oh! Those are just stories they put about to protect curious Muggles from wandering in and getting stuck – either out here in ~~the~~*fen*" – he liked that she hardly ever corrected him outright – "or in Faerie with them." Luna spread her arms wide and smiled placidly as he came up beside her. "That goes back even further than the Statutes, actually."

"Right," he said noncommittally.

"It's not that they're bothered by humans – they like us, even." Her smile widened as she drifted toward a clump of stunted willow trees. "They won't mind us coming in the least. They'll likely even want to pose for your photographs."

"At least I won't have ruined my best trainers for nothing, then," he muttered, pulling one of the aforementioned trainers out of a coppery-coloured puddle.

"But only magical folk get out on their own, and then deal with the time warp on the way back. And they're terribly polite. They ~~do~~*do* worry about mistreating their guests."

"Of course." Colin was too busy watching his steps to look where they were going.

"Here we are," Luna whispered in that dreamy voice that made him smile against his will and agree, against his better judgement, to just about anything she suggested.

He looked up, automatically raising his camera to his face, as the trees took on a shimmery glow before parting to reveal a pair of long, slender silhouettes.

A/N: This was originally posted at HPCon_Envy in response to linlawless's prompt: Luna Lovegood and Colin Creevey. Photograph, faerie, and fen.