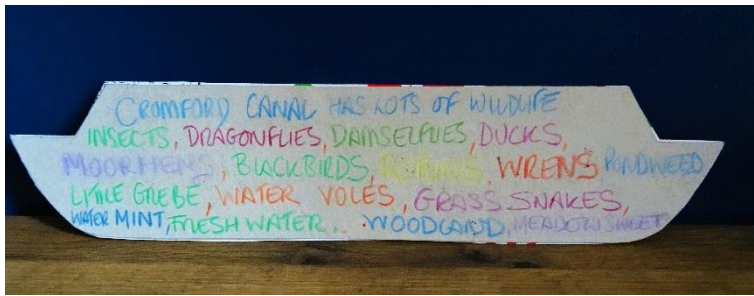


# Tales of the Canal



## How this links with the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site:

10.5 kilometres of the Cromford Canal between Cromford and Ambergate lies within the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site. It is full of wonderful wildlife, and home to the narrow boat Birdsworth and is a great place to go for a walk.

## You will need:

- Oil Pastels
- Pencil Crayons
- Eraser/sharpener
- Glue
- Scissors
- Picture of canal boat
- Cereal Box

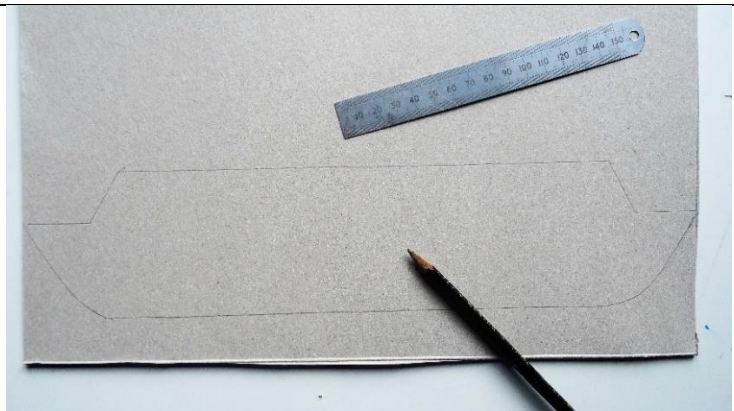




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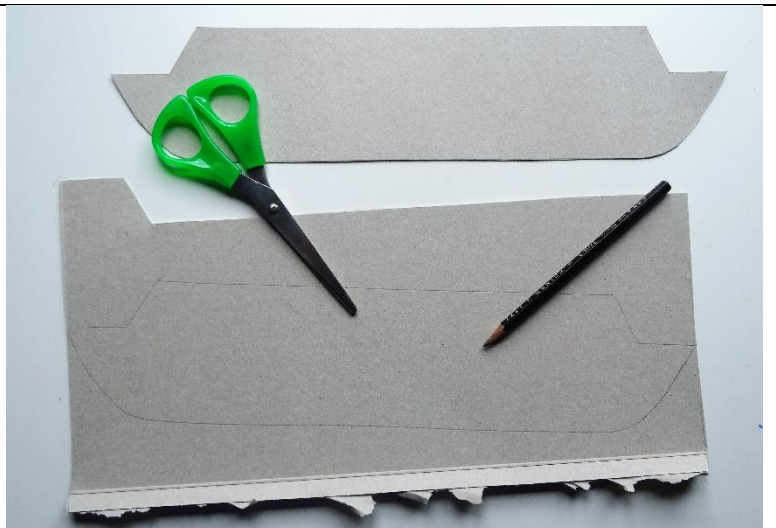
### Step 1:

With your pencil on the inside of your cereal box draw the shape of a canal boat like Birdswood you can use a ruler if that helps.



### Step 2:

Use the scissors to cut it out. Then use it to draw around and cut out another boat shape from the same cereal box.



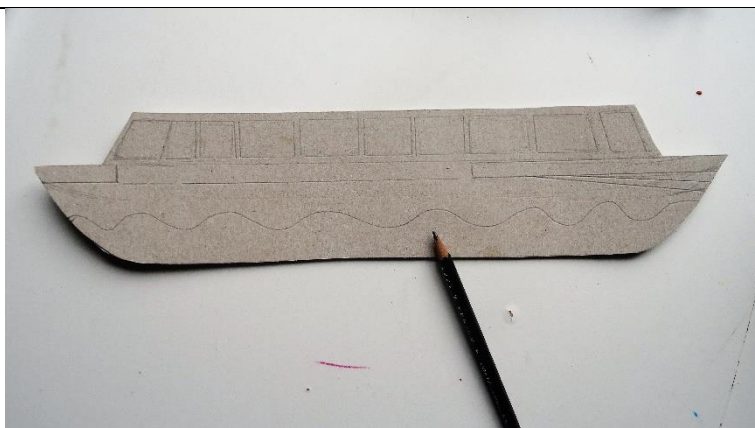


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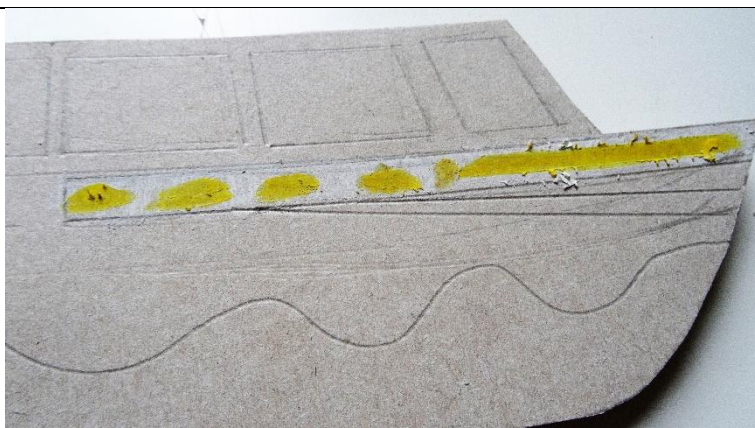
Use the glue and put the glue on the printed side of the boat shapes.  
Now stick the two boat shapes together so that both the printed sides are on the inside.

**Step 4:**

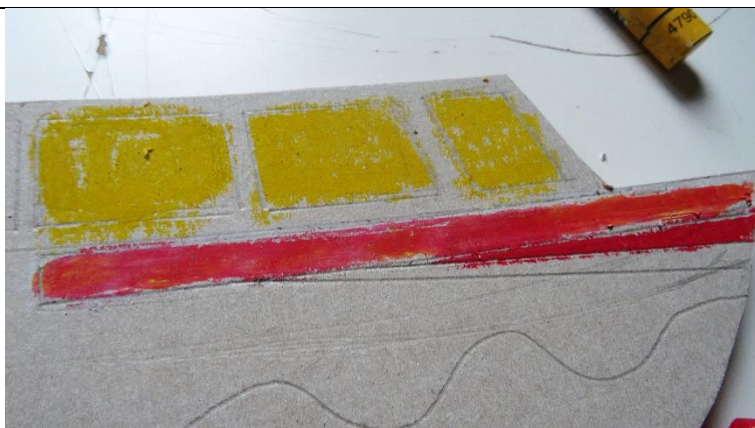
Use the photograph of Birdswood to help you draw with a pencil the ten square shapes for the windows and under them the design of Birdswood's paintwork. Draw a wiggly line for the water.

**Step 5:**

With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods front designs.  
White with yellow over the top.

**Step 6:**

With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods designs.  
Red on top of the white and yellow  
Then Yellow for the first three squares.



**Step 7:**

With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods designs.  
Red on top of the yellow squares.

**Step 8:**

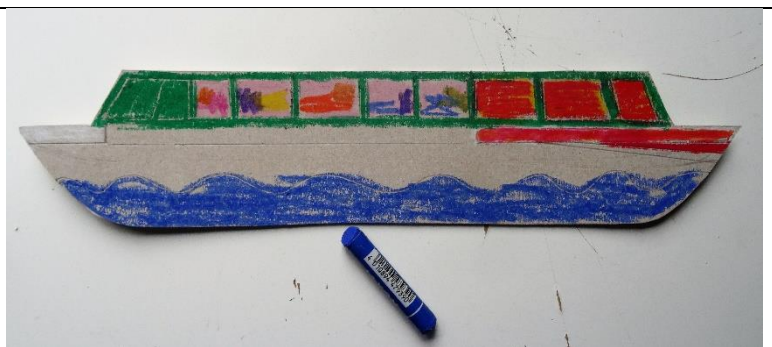
With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods designs.  
For the windows use lots of different colours.

**Step 9:**

With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods designs.  
Use green to fill in around the windows and the back squares.

**Step 10:**

With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods designs.  
Use blue to colour in the wiggly water area.

**Step 11:**

With your oil pastels make layers of colour for Birdswoods designs.  
Use black to colour in the rest of Birdswood. Use black over the five window areas and some of the water area.



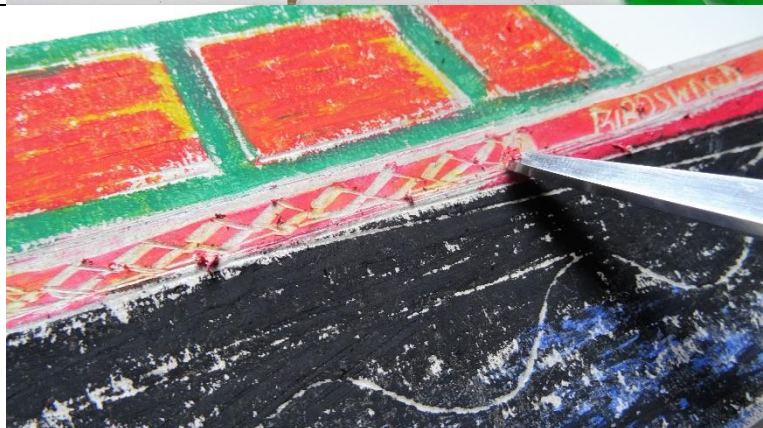


**Step 12:**

With the sharp end of your scissors scratch out the patterns you can see on Birdswood.

**Step 13:**

With the sharp end of your scissors continue to scratch out the patterns you can see on Birdswood.

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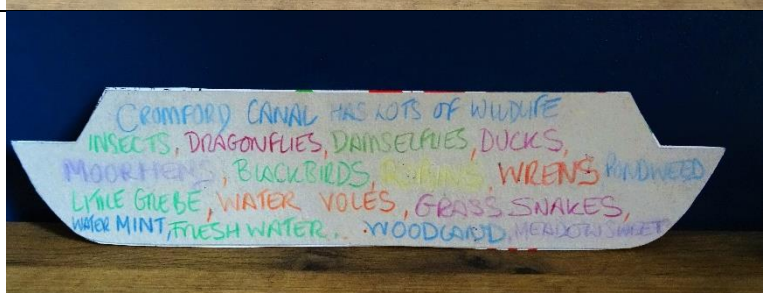
With the sharp end of your scissors continue to scratch out the people in the windows on Birdswood.

**Step 14:**

With the sharp end of your scissors to scratch out the water wiggles on Birdswood.

**Step 13:**

Now you have finished decorating your canal boat Birdswood. Turn it over and on the blank side use the colourful pencil crayons to write a poem or a story about what you think it would be like to float down the canal on Birdswood. What would you see? What would you hear? How would you feel?



## **Please let us know what you think of this activity and share your work with us**

When you have had a go at this activity, we'd love to hear what you think, or see your work. Please send us any feedback below by 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

**Post us your work** – If you would like to post us any of your work or let us know what you think of this activity with a note with your name and address (and age if you'd like to share that). We are hoping to have an exhibition in the Autumn on one of the mill sites of the work created by people all along the valley. We will return all your work to you after the exhibition.

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**Hope you enjoy doing this craft activity!**