

Wildlife



Canal corridors

Canals are man-made wildlife corridors which means that plants, fish and other creatures make their way along from one place to another.



The Llangollen canal



Try this experiment to find which plants 'travel' easily.



What to do



- 1 Put on wellies and go for a muddy walk along the towpath
- 2 When you get back, scrape the soil off your boots into a flat box or an old seed tray
- 3 Keep the soil damp and watch what starts to grow
- 4 Which plants have you 'spread'? Identify them using illustrations and books.



TOP TIP

'The Woodland Walks: A Guide to Trees and Wildflowers' by Charlotte Voake published by Eden Project Books is a great book for identifying plants and trees.



NEXT STEP

Be inspired by Charlotte Voake's illustrations. Why not make an illustrated guide to the plants you find along your local canal or river bank?

Remember the **SAFE** message: **Stay Away From the Edge**



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