## **Caring for Little Venice**

We're the charity working to protect and bring to life this 250-year-old network of canals and rivers spanning England and Wales. Not so long ago many canals were abandoned, and some lost forever. Today, with your support, wildlife is recovering, history is alive, boats are plentiful and spending time in this environment is contributing to our health and happiness.

Our mission is to keep this extraordinary network of canals and rivers alive, teeming with wildlife, transforming places they run through and enriching all of our lives. Your support today could help us care for London's canals and many more places, for today and generations to come.





Please support our work 8 donate today



The task of protecting the finest examples of working industrial heritage including London's canals, and the wildlife that calls it home, is growing all the time. As a charity we need you by our side more than ever. Please support our work today.





## Keeping history alive

In the early 1800s, Paddington was just a village on the outskirts of London.

Commissioned to redevelop the area around it, renowned architect John Nash included the construction of a canal in his plans – Regent's Canal.

Little Venice is the area where the Regent's Canal joins the Grand Union Canal. Completed in 1816, it formed part of a busy trading route connecting the Midlands to the River Thames.

Over the centuries the area has been changed and modernised, yet most of its original features remain today.

**Discover** lots of fun things to do with the family by and on the water. Go to canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers

Volunteer



# Welcome to Little Venice

An oasis of tranquillity in the city.



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### 5 things to do at Little Venice

- 1 Take a boat trip from Little Venice to Camden Lock for a different view of the city.
- 2 Have a picnic on the banks of the canal in Rembrandt Park and enjoy some time by water.
- 3 Stroll along the towpath to Paddington Basin, look out for sculptures 'Standing Man' and 'Walking Man' by Sean Henry.
- 4 Pause on one of the benches and watch the boats coming and going along the canal.
- 5 Have a chat with our friendly volunteers, they'll tell you more about the canal and how we are caring for it.

#### Did you know?

Paddington Bear author Michael Bond used to live in a house on Maida Avenue overlooking the canal, and Little Venice featured in the film Paddington 2.

