

Join a growing band of amazing people



**Canal &
River Trust**
Making life better by water

Help future generations have happy memories of time spent by water.
Leave a gift in your Will.



Preserving **your** waterways

Waterways belong to everyone. They are a precious natural jewel that we can all enjoy free of charge. We want to make sure it stays that way.

Thanks to our generous supporters, we're the charity that cares for over 2,000 miles of historic canals and rivers in England and Wales. We're expert in what we do and we're doing all we can to transform our waterways into safe and accessible spaces where local people want to spend time and feel better.

Although our waterways are free to visit, they cost a lot to maintain. That's why we need you.

With help from people like you, we care for and bring waterways to life. We bring communities together to transform their local waterways and create places and spaces that can be used and enjoyed by everyone, every day – for generations to come.



You can help make it all possible – by leaving us a gift in your Will.

Living waterways enrich lives

So many of us have happy memories of times spent by rivers and canals.

Canal boat holidays. Enjoying a picnic by a river. Growing up near a waterway and spending carefree days playing on the banks. Whatever your memories, with eight million people living less than a mile from a waterway, you can see how canals and rivers have helped shape so many lives.

Now we're determined to pass this on to future generations, allowing them to experience the same simple joys of spending time by the water that you have enjoyed.



Helping future generations feel happier and healthier by water

There are amazing benefits to be had by spending time by rivers and canals. It's a great way of unwinding, and taking a stroll on the towpath is fantastic exercise.



But we need your help to carry on making these amazing spaces available to all – for generations to come.

A gift in your Will could go so far

Leaving us a gift in your Will is the very best way of helping to make sure that our essential work continues in the years ahead.

Will you show your generosity today by filling in the form and returning it to us? With your help, we can carry on protecting our precious waterways for future generations.

Your questions answered

What is a Will?

A Will is a legal document that makes sure the people and causes you care about are provided for after your death, in the way you wish. It's an easy thing to put off, but if you die without a Will, the courts will divide up everything you own according to strict rules that you have no control over.

What types of Will are there?

There are two main types of gift that you can leave in your Will.

- **Pecuniary:** you make a gift of a specific sum of money.
- **Residuary:** you make a gift of all or part of what is left of your estate after all your other gifts have been distributed.

Do I have to use a solicitor?

It is always best to have your Will drawn up by an experienced solicitor. Trying to write your own can be tricky. One small slip can ruin the whole document. Including our registered charity number – 1146792 – helps to avoid any doubt.

Do I have to tell you about my gift in my Will?

By making a gift in your Will – and telling us about it now – you give us the security that comes from knowing we'll have a guaranteed future income, when the time comes.



If canals and rivers, and the wildlife surrounding them, have ever played a special part in your life, please say 'thank you' with a gift in your Will.

Yes, I would like to protect our canals and rivers with a gift in my Will.



I would like to leave:

- a pecuniary gift (a specific amount)
- a residuary gift (a share of what is left over after all other gifts have been made)

We will make a note of your intention but please be aware that this document will not form part of your Will and is not legally binding in any way.

Your details:

Title:	First name:
Surname:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Email address:	

We would love to stay in touch in the future to let you know more about our essential work. Please indicate below how you would like us to contact you.

- I am happy to be contacted by email.
- I would like to receive information and updates in the post.

If you wish to unsubscribe or change your preferences, please email info@canalrivertrust.org.uk or call 0303 040 4040.

To let us know about your gift, please complete this form, place it in an envelope and send it, free of charge, to: Freepost RSXX-XSGE-KKUE, Canal & River Trust, Station House, 500 Elder Gate, Milton Keynes, MK9 1BB

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