

TREASURE TRAIL

The River Avon has long been the life blood of Salisbury, providing its people with transport, drinking water, fertile land, food, mill-power and leisure over the centuries. The Cathedral was even saved by the Avon when a fire broke out in its spire in 1780! Bucket loads of river water were hurried up in the nick of time. But the Avon is also a rare and renowned chalk stream - a wonderfully rich haven for all sorts of critters. You'll discover some of those in this treasure trail...



The two Trail Maps have numbered icons. These are where you will find **artwork** and **information boards** to solve the clues. Write your answers to the clues in the **crossword** on the other side of this trail. Now, let's begin the trail near The Maltings - a place with a close link to the Avon and yet another of its uses: for making beer!

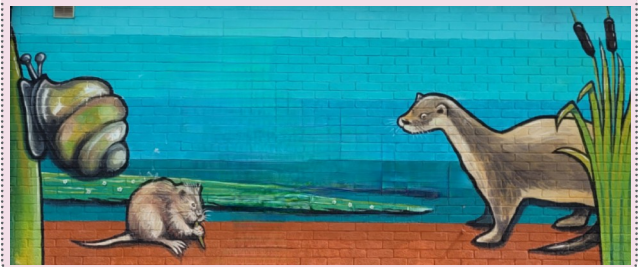


1 What super-fast fish-eating animal is on the Avon wall?

2 What did the pupils of South Wilts capture from the Avon? (This box uses "Luminescent Duckweed"!)

3 What did Wagland stop Bristow doing to his field in 1700? It's a historic activity which still takes place today!

4 What animal is missing here:



5 What fish dig nests in the riverbed?

6 **X** marks the spot! Stand on a riverside rock there to see if you can catch a *fleeting* glimpse of some wings. What type of insect do they belong to?

Follow the Avon upriver to Ashley Road Open Space for the final part in this trail...

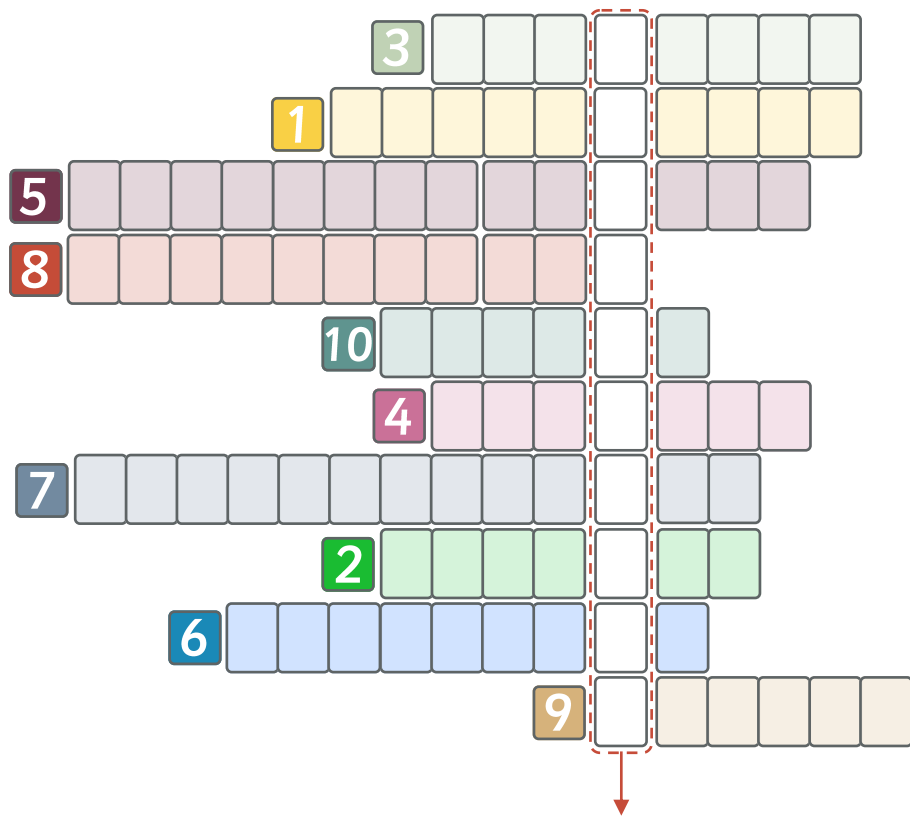


7 What water-loving mammal might you find napping under an Avon bridge?

8 At “The Avon Quiz”, discover which fish swims here all the way from the Sargasso Sea!

9 What “giant” creature lived here 400,000 years ago? Its smaller relatives are now being released back into UK rivers and can give huge benefits to their ecosystems.

10 Find the one fish swimming in the wrong direction! To complete the crossword, what species is it?



The crossword will reveal the **SECRET HIDING PLACE** of one last river creature! Spot it up high amongst some branches there. **What is it?** Some nearby picnic benches might help identify it:

 The name of the hidden **ANIMAL** is the **SECRET PASSWORD**! Use it to claim your treasure from the front desk of Five Rivers Leisure Centre (marked on the map).

If you're correct, congratulations on completing the River Park Treasure Trail!



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