

**Join a small group for an INTERESTING, REWARDING & PRODUCTIVE 2 DAYS in
glorious Mid-Wales**

28th-29th APRIL or 11th- 12th MAY 2019

**Have FUN, learn NEW SKILLS, MAKE and TAKE HOME your own BEAUTIFUL,
TRADITIONAL & STRONG little boat. It will fit in your car or on your roof rack and you can
enjoy it on ponds, lakes and rivers.**

Coracles are possibly our earliest boats. There is evidence that in every part of the world some sort of keel-less vessel has been made of local materials – usually a framework of wood with an animal hide cover. At one time coracles were widely used in in all parts of the British Isles and Ireland and each river had its own design according to available materials and local customs.

The coracle you will be making at this workshop is a version of the Irish Boyne coracle – a willow frame and waterproofed calico cover, big enough to carry one person and easily carried, yet very simple to make, in only two days, and requiring only a few hand tools.

This coracle was the only wicker boat still in use in Ireland in the 20th century. It was used on the River Boyne in Co. Meath until the 1940's when the netting of salmon was made illegal.



You will also have the opportunity to try out a coracle on water and practise the paddling technique!

The cost of £285.00 includes all materials and instruction, tea/coffee/cake,
hot soup and home-made bread, and one or two nights' camping if required.

This is for one or two people making one coracle.

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