

We'd like to help you have a great visit to the Broads

# Broads Puzzleland

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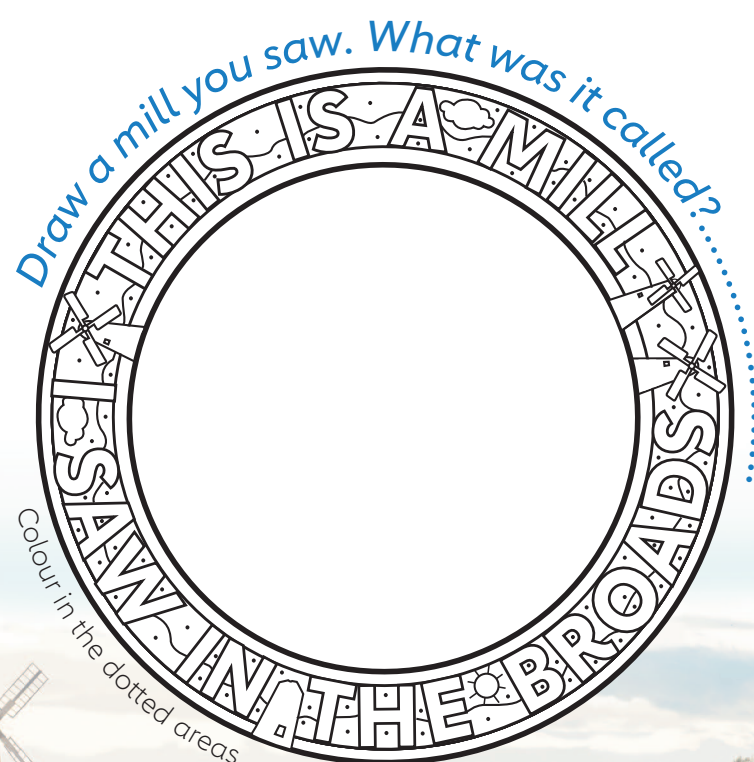
## Windmills in the Broads

Broads windmills look like mills for grinding corn but they were nearly all built as drainage windmills, many during the 19th century.

They used wind power to pump water off the marshes along the dykes (small waterways) and into the rivers. This left the marshes dry enough for cattle to graze on. Steam, diesel and electricity replaced wind power. Today there are 63 mills of various types in the Broads. Many have been restored and the restoration work continues.



How many of these kinds of mills have you seen?



You can find out more from the [watermillsandmarshes.org.uk](http://watermillsandmarshes.org.uk) landscape partnership scheme and Norfolk Windmills Trust [norfolk.gov.uk/out-and-about-in-norfolk/windmills](http://norfolk.gov.uk/out-and-about-in-norfolk/windmills)



**Thurne Mill, near THURNE**  
This mill was built in 1820 by millwrights from Ludham. It's been restored to working order and it's easy to see it from Thurne village and the River Thurne.



**Polkey's Mill, near REEDHAM**  
It's part of a group of mill buildings. You can walk along the Wherryman's Way from Reedham to see them. Polkey's Mill was restored by the Water, Mills & Marshes scheme.



**Brograve Mill, near HORSEY**  
This is a mill that hasn't been restored. Some mills have even lost their 'sails' so you just see the brick tower. Some mill buildings are restored without their sails.



**Palmer's Mill, near UPTON**  
This is a hollow post mill, one of only two. It's close to Upton Dyke (on the left, going towards the River Bure) and there are lots of other mills on the local marshes.



**Mutton's Mill, near HALVERGATE**  
This mill has had nearly 50 years of restoration work, first by its owners and then by the Water, Mills & Marshes scheme, with the sails able to turn again. It's on the Halvergate Mills Trail.



**Hardley Mill, near HARDLEY**  
This one has been restored and can even pump water. It's open to visitors, you may see the sails turning. It has moorings on the River Yare or you can walk to it from Hardley Staithe.

## QUIZ

**1** What would you see from the top of Horsey Windpump (another name for a drainage mill)?

- a) Norwich
- b) Horsey Mere
- c) Great Yarmouth

**2** What is Stracey Arms?

- a) a mill
- b) a pub
- c) a castle

**3** St Olave's Mill (a trestle mill, one of only three) is near

- a) Bishop Bridge
- b) Burgh Castle
- c) St Olave's Bridge

**4** What would you find at Herringfleet?

- a) fishing boats
- b) Somerleyton Bridge
- c) a mill

**5** Berney Arms Mill is near to

- a) a train station
- b) a car park
- c) an airport

**6** St Benet's Abbey and its mill are close to where the rivers Ant and Thurne join the River Bure. Which other famous Broads mill is close by?

- a) Turf Fen, How Hill
- b) Thurne
- c) Stracey Arms

1 b) Horsey Mere  
2 a) a mill  
3 c) St Olave's Bridge  
4 c) a mill  
5 a) a train station  
6 b) Thurne

## QUIZ ANSWERS:

**PHOTOGRAPHS:**  
Brograve and Mutton's Mills – Tom Barrett;  
Hardley, Polkey's and Thurne Mills – James Bass;  
Palmer's Mill – Broads Authority



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Remember, Competent Crew always wear life jackets for getting on and off or mooring their boat. Competent Crew never get into the water.

Competent Crew always plan ahead, listen to instructions when they arrive, follow advice and go slowly while they're boating.

Competent Crew are GREAT!