

# CREATE YOUR OWN

## Recycled Boat

Get crafty with materials that would usually end up in your recycling bin

Suitable for ages: 7 years and up

30-60 MINUTES 

You can create a boat from plastic and cardboard containers you would usually put in the recycling bin. Make sure you pick these items with a parent or caregiver first and clean them before you use them.

### WE RECOMMEND USING

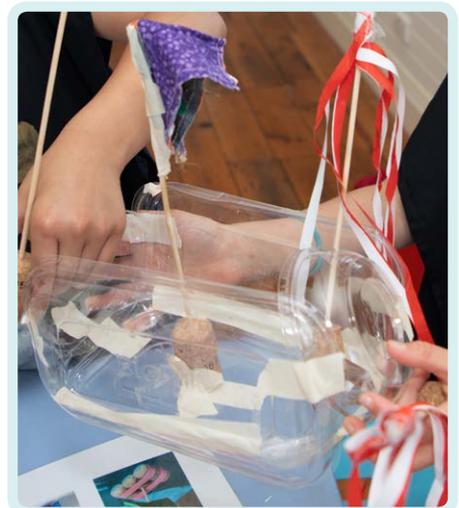
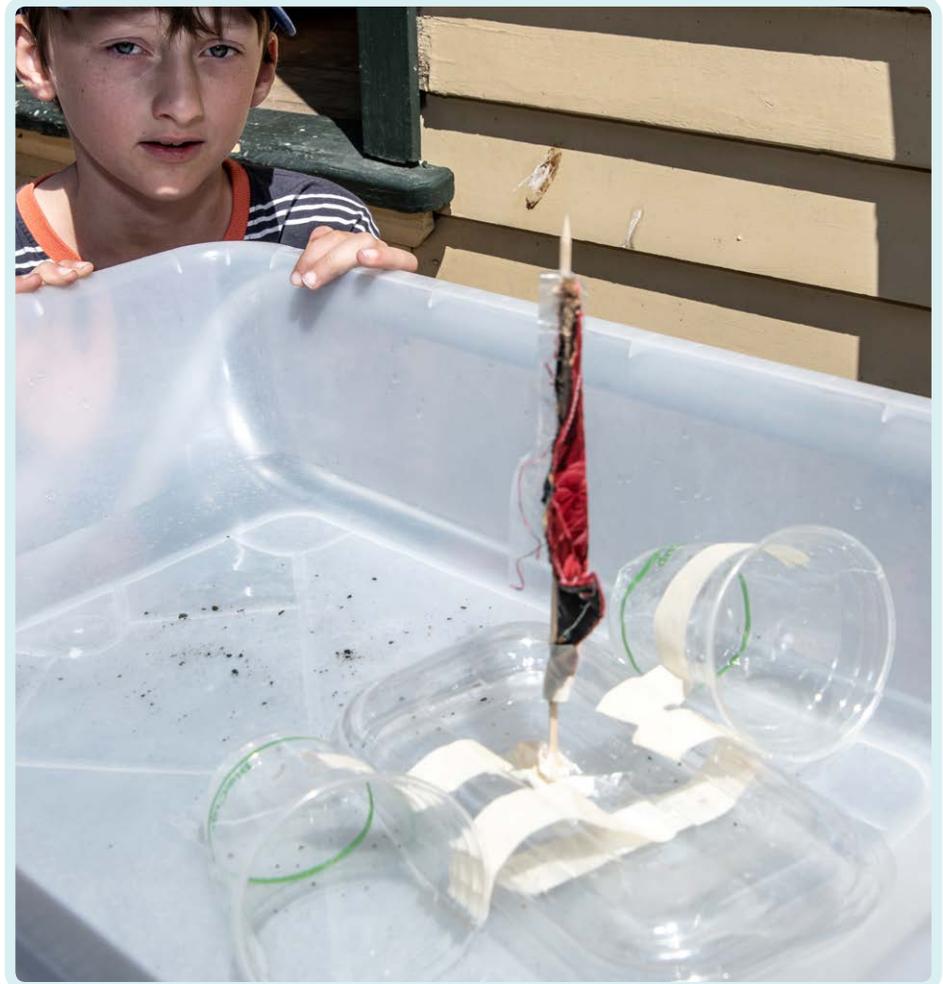
- Milk bottles
- Drink bottles
- Plastic meat trays
- Egg cartons
- Cardboard boxes for sails
- Straws
- Paddle pop sticks and blunt skewers
- Elastic bands, blu tac and sticky tape

### THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN BUILDING A BOAT

- 1 It needs to float! Avoid punching holes in your boat base as water will get in and sink it. We recommend using a plastic meat tray or egg carton as a base.
- 2 It needs a mast. How can you secure these without punching a hole in the base? Maybe blue tac or sticky tape?
- 3 It needs a sail. What materials can you use for a sail? And how can you secure it to the mast?

## INSPIRATION

Here are some boats we built on Cockatoo Island for inspiration.



### COCKATOO ISLAND DOCKYARD

Did you know that Cockatoo Island was a major dockyard? By the start of World War I, over 150 dredges, barges and tugs had been built on the island.

In 1913, Cockatoo Island became the official dockyard of the Royal Australian Navy, and during World War II, was the main ship repair facility in the southwest Pacific, with around 250 ships converted or repaired.