

## Want a visit from the vardo?

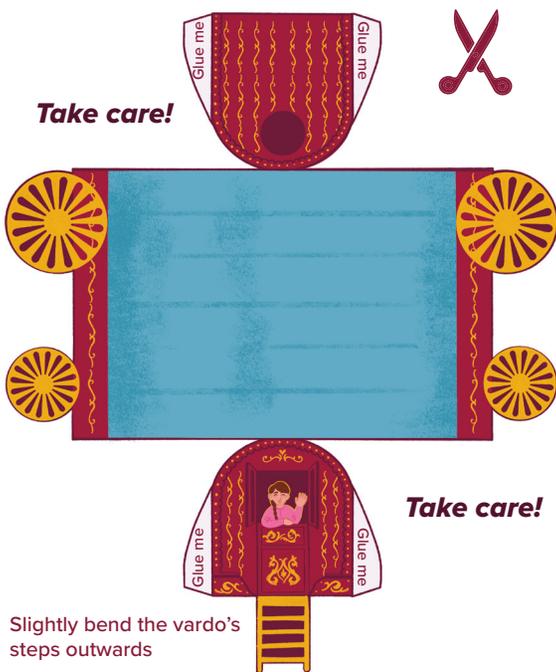
Please get in touch if you would like a visit from us; either just the vardo and activities or performances! We can come to schools, libraries, museums, theatres, prisons and even outdoors!

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### Build your own paper vardo!

Cut out Crystal's Vardo below, and glue it together with the white tabs:



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## The Crystal's Vardo play

A play written by Suzanna King to raise awareness of Gypsy, Roma and Traveller histories and cultures.

It tells the story of Crystal a young Gypsy girl who has been bullied at school. She runs away from home with her Grandfather's vardo. She finds herself 1200 years back in time...  
...and so the adventure begins.



# CRYSTAL'S VARDO

## The interactive vardo

### Crystal's Vardo Is now an interactive micro museum!

You can now book a visit from the vardo and enter inside for the very first time.

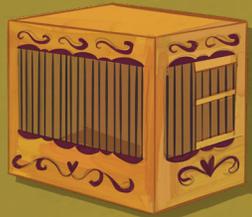
We have created a micro museum story telling space for young people to step inside and experience what life would have been like on the road.

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For the first time, Crystal invites you into her vardo! Enter Crystal's vardo and see for yourself how Crystal's Romany ancestors might have experienced life on the road.

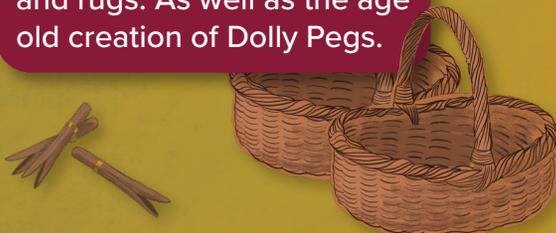
*'we were all blown away by the performances'*  
- Hartlebury Castle and Museum

The vardo is brimming with many wonderful and interesting traditional artefacts to explore through a wide range of activity workshops. Below are just some examples ..



### Weaving & Dolly Pegs

Explore the traditional crafts of weaving; both baskets and rugs. As well as the age old creation of Dolly Pegs.



### Tap Dance & Music

Music and dance has always been an integral part of Romany and Traveller cultures. Explore traditional music and learn a few tap dancing steps.



### Birdbox Painting

Decorate and paint birdboxes with us, as you learn the importance of animals and scrolls in Romany culture.



### Flower Making

Romany Gypsies used to use paper flowers as a way to create income. Make flowers with us as we talk about crafts, and its impact on Romany Gypsy lives.



### Storytelling

Storytelling around the fire is a fundamental part of Romany culture. Join us as we explore the world of storytelling!



### Plate Painting

Traditional Amari patterns decorate Romany and Traveller homes today. Learn about the history of this pattern as you paint the most intricate of details.



Come along, and explore with Crystal and her Vardo...

*'I was absolutely shook by Crystal's Vardo tonight. It was magnificent in acting and content'*

*Audience member, Oval House Theatre*

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Crystal's Vardo

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*'It was such an amazing performance, well written and delivered. The children have benefitted enormously from this experience'*

*Head teacher, Carden primary school*