

Severn Trow Spry

Restoration of the Severn Trow 'Spry', built by William Hurd at Chepstow and launched in 1894. Spry is a unique example of an inland sailing barge and has great significance for the development of the River Severn for transport. It is flat-bottomed, square sterned, with an open hold, designed to carry as much cargo as possible on a shallow draft. Spry was rescued from underwater at Digh's Basin, Worcester and initial restoration involved drying out the hulltimbers before any other work could be done.

Region

West Midlands

Grant awarded

£40,000

Year awarded

1984