

# Herefordshire

*All objects lent by VCH Herefordshire.*

## **Two cartridge cases**

These came from the SAS firing range at Ross. The Special Air Service is well known as being based near Hereford.

## **Mappa Mundi tea towel**

The Hereford Mappa Mundi is a medieval map of the known world, of a form deriving from the T and O pattern, dating from c.1300. T and O is a type of medieval map. It is displayed at Hereford Cathedral and is the largest medieval map still known to exist.

## ***Observations on the River Wye* by William Gilpin, book**

This book was originally published in 1782 and Gilpin was one of the pioneers in developing the picturesque which is essentially a set of rules for depicting nature. It was left to others, most notably Richard Payne Knight, Uvedale Price and Thomas Johnes, to develop Gilpin's ideas into more comprehensive theories of the picturesque and apply these more generally to landscape design and architecture. The River Wye is one of the major rivers flowing through Herefordshire.

## **Goodrich Castle snowglobe**

Goodrich Castle is one of the finest and best preserved of all English medieval castles. It takes its name from an English landowner, Godric, who built the first castle here in the late 11th century. It is a good example of a Marcher Castle used to defend the English Wales border. Much of the castle was ruined when Parliamentarians besieged it during the Civil War. Its Royalist garrison surrendered after a two-month siege.

## **Wye Valley Beer bottle**

Butty Buch means Little Friend in Welsh. The Wye Brewery is based in Stoke Lacy which is situated in the heart of Herefordshire. Herefordshire is well known for being home to many varieties of British hops.

## **Apple**

There are many orchards in Herefordshire & apples are used to make cider and 2 of the main British Cider producers – Westons & Bulmers are both based in Herefordshire. *Donated by John Hare author Basingstoke: A Medieval Town, c.1000-c.1600.*