

HM HEADSTONE MANOR & MUSEUM

A message from....
Bill the Duck!



Hi all! 🙌 Corridors are something I don't see too often in our duck houses, and wallpaper is definitely rare with all the water around. But this house has some lovely hidden secrets that were discovered during the restoration. The two wallpapers on the ground floor corridor date to the 1960s but they're slightly different. Maybe the owners just liked them both? Why do you think there's two?

We also don't have many staircases in duck houses, so this old balustrade found during building works in the 1980s amazes me! Margery says it used to be on a grand staircase that led from the entrance of the Manor House to the First Floor.

Upstairs there's a beautiful 1600s wall painting above a doorway, in the corridor and down the stairs. Have a look at the picture below, isn't it lovely? It was conserved in 2017 when the house was restored.

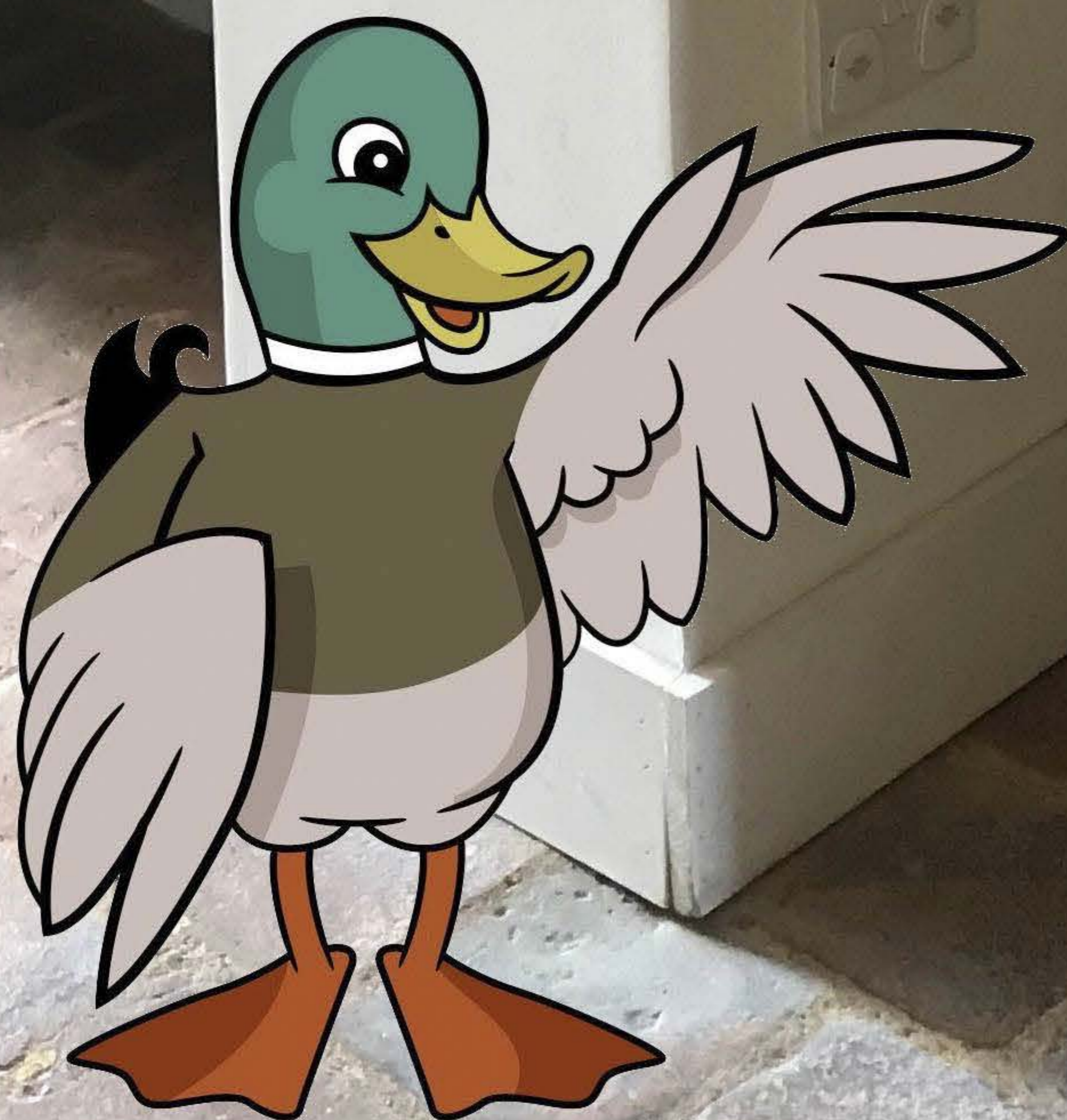
Do you have any fancy wallpaper or paintings in your home? I think I might go back and add some decoration to mine!

All the leaves in these wallpapers
remind me of the duck pond I grew up in!
Can you spot the differences?



This is a really fancy bannister!
It's called a balustrade and was
found in the wall of the Parlour!

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in the Garden





Wall paintings like this only appeared in houses of very wealthy and important people. It's over 400 years old!

