

## Case study

# Tom's labour of love

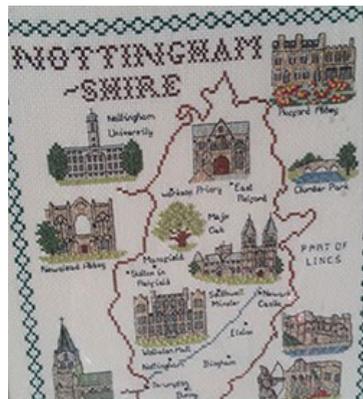
Tom is on the autistic spectrum and has been supported by Voyage Care at one of our residential care homes in Nottinghamshire since 2015.

The walls of Tom's bedroom are decorated with beautiful, intricate needlework. The amazing artwork is the result of hours of work, all carried out by the creative and talented 29 year old.

His grandmother Thelma said: "Tom's autism means he is a very shy person – but he has talents and abilities which are quite extraordinary."

"He is absolutely brilliant at needlework and never makes a mistake. I think his natural flair comes from his autism. He has had great support from everyone at his Voyage Care home and he has found a real home for himself there."

Raj, the Service Manager at the home Tom lives in, said: "Tom is a very active person and he likes to take part in home activities. His room always looks amazing and he loves to decorate his room differently for Christmas, Easter and Halloween."



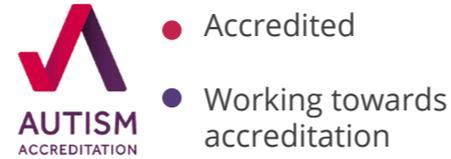
The great support Tom receives from Voyage Care has resulted in him developing his social and communication skills. He seems extremely happy at his home and continues to encourage others to join him with his needlework.



## About Voyage Care

Voyage Care are the sector-leading provider of specialist care and support to 3,500+ people with learning disabilities, autism and complex needs.

We support over 720 autistic people across the UK and have 37 specialist autism services that are either accredited or working towards accreditation with the National Autistic Society.



## Specialist autism support

Enabling you to live the life you choose



## Get in touch

Contact our friendly enquiry team to discuss how we can support you or a loved one.



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## How we support you

Our support for autistic people is designed around your needs, interests and preferences.

We support you to live the life you want – where, how and with whom you choose.

We can support you in many ways, such as at home, going out, finding education or employment. Whatever you're doing, we want you to receive great quality care and support.

By involving you in choosing your support workers, we aim to provide you with well-trained staff who understand you and your autism.

*All the staff give 100% when they are on duty, providing care to Bobby and the other residents. With extreme patience and understanding, they persevere in persuading Bobby to try out new experiences, but always at his pace.*

Parent



## Your care and support

You can expect us to:

- Work with you to create and update your support plans as your needs change.
- Support you to make choices about your life.
- Look at ways to develop your confidence to cope with daily life skills.
- Help you find employment, education and doing the things you enjoy.
- Use autism specific assessments, person-centred plans, personal autism and sensory profiles, environmental assessments and communication plans.
- Work as a team to achieve your goals and we're as excited as you are when something goes well.

## Commitment to quality

About 20% of the 3,500+ people we work with are autistic and we're committed to providing the best quality care and support for them.

We have sector-leading quality ratings. In England, 95%\* of our registered locations are rated as Good or Outstanding\* by the Care Quality Commission.

100%\* of our Scottish and Welsh registered locations are rated as compliant by the Care Inspectorate and CSSIW.

We also work with the National Autistic Society who set the standards of our autism support.

How the people we support feel is important to us and you'll be involved and in control every step of the way. We have lots of ways you can share your ideas, such as being a Quality Checker, writing blogs and stories for our magazines or through your person-centred reviews.

\*Data accurate as of December 2019

