

GROUP TIE-DYE

INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Kit contains:

- Red, yellow and blue dye in gallon jugs ready for dilution
- 8 bags of sodium carbonate/soda ash (each bag makes 2 gallons of solution)
- 15 - 8 ounce bottles
- 9 - 4 ounce secondary color mixing bottles
- 24 dispenser caps
- 15 solid caps
- 25 pairs of gloves
- Assortment of rubber bands
- 3 Group Tie-Dye Instructions and 1 sheet of Instructions For Completing Project At Home

Supplies you will need:

- Natural fiber fabric project such as cotton, linen, wool and silk
- Large tables
- Plastic tarps to cover tables
- Sponges and paper towel
- Containers to rinse gloved hands between colors
- 8 buckets or tubs (3-5 gallons)
- Funnel to fill 8 ounce and 4 ounce bottles with liquefied dye from gallon jugs
- Garbage cans or bags
- Zip top gallon plastic bags



Prewash all fabric to be dyed to remove sizing. Do not use fabric softener or dryer sheet.



Cover tables with tarps and have on hand at each table; gloves for each individual, rubber bands, paper towels and sponges to use as needed, containers with water to rinse gloved hands between colors and zip top gallon bags to put completed projects in.



Before tying, be sure to saturate fabric completely with water and ring out excess water. Tie your item with rubber bands using the tying ideas or use your own ideas! (See reverse side for tying ideas)

WEAR GLOVES FOR STEPS 4 THROUGH 8



Put on gloves. Add packet of soda ash into bucket filled with 2 gallons of **HOT** water and stir until granules are dissolved. Submerge bundles in soda ash solution and let soak for 20 minutes. (See reverse side for caution)



While fabric is soaking add warm water to each of the gallon jugs containing dye, filling jugs to within 2 inches from the top. Close tightly and shake until all the dye is dissolved. Using funnel, fill 8 ounce bottles with liquefied dyes. Mix secondary colors in the 4 ounce bottles. Place prepared 8 and 4 ounce bottles of dye at each table. Dyes can be mixed the evening before. Dyes should be used within a few days after adding water. (See reverse side for secondary colors and caution)



After the 20 minutes have passed, remove the bundles from the soda ash solution and wring out excess water back into the same bucket it was soaking in. Soda ash solution can be reused.



Apply dye to all sides of bundle and into folds. Do not overload fabric with dye. Colors will blend at edges creating secondary colors. Clean gloved hands and surfaces between colors. Place completed project in zip top gallon bag to keep damp and let sit overnight. If projects are being sent home to be completed; make multiple copies of the INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING PROJECT AT HOME sheet and send a copy home along with project.



The following day, rinse project with warm water. Carefully cut rubber bands off while rinsing. Keep rinsing until the water runs mostly clear. This may take up to 15 minutes.

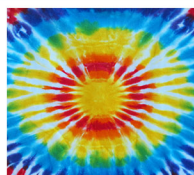


Fill washer with **HOT** water and liquid soap and wash each project immediately. The longer you wait to wash, the greater the chance the dyes can bleed and dull the final product. After fabric has been thoroughly rinsed, washed and dried, the colors should now be set and able to be washed with like colors.



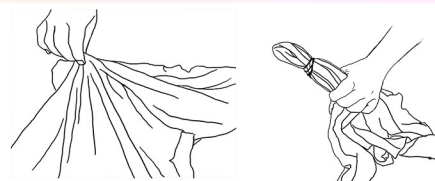
Twirling Spiral:

Lay wet item flat and pinching wet fabric at desired center of design, twirl fabric in a flat spiral shaped bundle and bind in even pie shaped wedge sections with rubber bands. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply different dye colors to wedge sections and between folds. Turn bundle over and apply same dye color to back side of wedge.



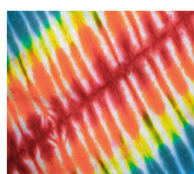
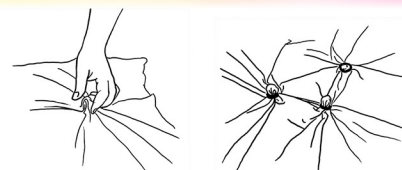
Center Burst:

Lay wet item flat and holding wet fabric at desired center of design, pull straight up into a rope shaped bundle and bind into sections along length with rubber bands. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dye to sections.



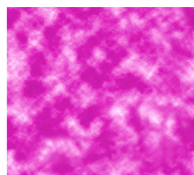
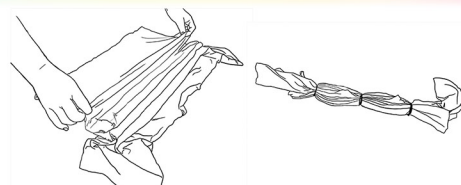
Spotted Burst:

Lay wet item flat and holding wet fabric at desired center of spots, pull each spot up to desired length and bind with rubber band. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dye to length of spots and apply a different dye color to the rest of the fabric.



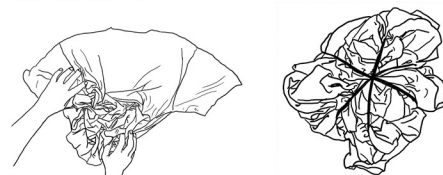
Folded Stripe:

Lay wet item flat and fold back and forth into pleated folds from top to bottom, side to side or from corner to corner and bind with rubber bands. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dye to each section or randomly.



Crumpled Scrunch:

Lay wet item flat and using your fingers outstretched, repeatedly pull in and scrunch up the fabric into a crumpled bundle that will resemble a brain and bind loosely with rubber bands. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dye to bundle.



Secondary Colors: **To make green:** Use 1 part liquefied blue dye to 5 parts liquefied yellow dye.
To make orange: Use 1 part liquefied red dye to 5 parts liquefied yellow dye.
To make purple: Use 1 part liquefied red dye to 2 parts liquefied blue dye.

Caution: **Kit Contains Sodium Carbonate.** May be harmful if swallowed. If swallowed, give 1 to 2 glasses water. Do not induce vomiting. Contact doctor immediately. May irritate eyes. If contact occurs, immediately flush with water for 15 minutes. May irritate skin. If contact occurs, wash thoroughly with soap and water. Use in well ventilated area. **Kit Contains Organic Dye Powder.** Do not swallow. If swallowed seek medical advice. May irritate eyes. If contact occurs, immediately flush with water for 15 minutes. May irritate skin. If contact occurs, wash thoroughly with soap and water. Use in well ventilated area. Avoid inhalation. May cause serious allergic reaction in some individuals. Seek prompt medical attention.

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