



TIE-DYE KIT

INSTRUCTIONS



1.

What You Will Need To Supply:

- Clothes or items to be dyed
- Bucket or tub (3-5 gallons) that can hold 2 gallons of water
- Plastic garbage bags or plastic wrap
- Paper towel
- Place to let items being dyed sit undisturbed overnight
- Liquid laundry soap
- Twine or string for larger items
- Additional gloves

2.

Pre-wash all materials to be dyed. 100% cotton works best. Cotton/Poly blends may not dye as well or as uniformly. Do not use fabric softeners or dryer sheets.



3.

Set up a work area. Cover entire surface with plastic. Use paper towel as needed.



Before binding materials, wet completely and ring out excess water from the material. Twist, fold or bunch items to be dyed and bind with the supplied rubber bands or with string or twine.



(See reverse side for binding ideas)

WEAR GLOVES FOR STEPS 5 THROUGH 11

5.



Pour packet of soda ash into two gallons of **HOT** water and let the granules dissolve. This may take a couple of minutes and requires stirring.



6.

Submerge bundles in the soda ash solution and let soak for 20 minutes.



7.



While materials are soaking add warm water to each of the bottles of dye, filling bottles to the point before the neck starts. Close tightly and shake until all the dye is dissolved. Mix secondary colors in the extra mixing bottle. Dyes should be used within a few days after adding water.

(See reverse side for secondary colors)

8.



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.

9.

Squirt dyes evenly onto all sides of bundle and into folds. Be careful not to overload the materials with dyes. Colors will blend at edges creating secondary colors. Be sure to clean gloved hands and surfaces before changing to a new dye color.



10.

Set bundles on plastic and cover with plastic to keep damp. Let sit undisturbed overnight. Do not let bundles touch each other as this may cause undesired color transfer.





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11.



The following day, rinse the bundles with warm water and remove bindings. Keep rinsing until water runs mostly clear. This may take up to 15 minutes per item.



**Read full instructions
before starting project**

12.

Fill washer with **HOT** water and with liquid laundry soap and wash immediately. The longer you wait to wash, the greater the chance the dyes can bleed and dull your final product. Dry in dryer under normal cotton settings. After fabric has been thoroughly rinsed, washed and dried, the colors should now be set and able to be washed with like colors in laundry.



BINDING IDEAS:

Twirling spiral: Lay wet item flat and holding wet fabric at desired center of design, twirl fabric into spiral shaped bundle and bind in even wedge sections with rubber bands. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dye 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 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 material.

Folded stripe: Lay wet item flat and fold in pleats from top to bottom or side to side into folded bundle and bind with rubber bands. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dye to edges of fold.

Drawing design: Lay wet item flat and draw guiding design lines in pencil. After soaking in soda ash solution, apply dyes following drawn pattern.

COLOR MIXING GUIDE:

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.