Tie Dye Kit

INSTRUCTIONS

English

Kit Contents
• 3 applicator bottles of dye
• mixing bottle (only in JAC9320 & JAC9325)
• soda ash dye fixer
• gloves
• rubber bands
• instructions
• paper towels

You’ll Need
• 100% natural fiber t-shirts or garments
• plastic bag or plastic wrap
• bucket
• drop cloth or plastic (to protect work area)

PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE YOU BEGIN.

1. Prepare your work area by spreading drop cloths or plastic to protect surfaces. **Put on gloves.**

2. Add packet of soda ash into a bucket filled with about 2 gallons of hot tap water. Stir to dissolve. Add shirts to soda ash mixture, and soak for 20 minutes.

3. Fill dye bottles with warm water to about ½ inch from the top of the bottle. Recap the bottle and shake to mix.

4. Wring out your shirts from the soda ash mixture. Do not rinse. Soda ash mixture can be re-used.

5. Tie up your shirts and dye in one of the following patterns or make up your own! There’s no right or wrong way to do it.

6. After you have applied the dye, place shirts in a plastic bag or wrap in plastic. Let sit 12 to 24 hours. Rinse in cool water. Wash as normal with like colors. Make smaller triangles (or just lines) beside the main color. Repeat on the other side. (d)

PATTERNS - Spiral

1. First follow Steps #1-#4 in Main Directions!

2. Lay the shirt out flat onto a protected surface. Pick a point on the shirt where you want the spiral to be centered. At that point, pinch a bit of the fabric and begin to twist. Keep twisting the shirt around until all the fabric is in a big flat spiral. (a)

3. Place rubber bands around your bundle to keep the spiral shape round and flat. (b)

4. Apply the dye in 3 triangular shapes out from the center of the spiral. (c) Work the nozzle of the applicator bottle into some of the folds to get dye into the inner areas. Flip your item over and apply the same color matching the shapes on the first side.

5. After applying the dye, finish as in Main Directions - Step #6.
**Circles or Spots**
1. First follow Steps #1-#4 in Main Directions!
2. Pull up the fabric at any point and put a rubber band tightly around it. (d)
3. Repeat wherever you want to make another spot.
4. There are many ways to apply the dye. Try any of these ways or just experiment with your own:
   - Put one color around the spot and another color on the rest of the shirt.
   - Alternate colors on the spots only.
   - Apply colors in stripes along the pulled up area of your spot. (e)
4. After applying the dye, finish as in Main Directions - Step #6.

**Accordion Folds**
1. First follow Steps #1-#4 in Main Directions!
2. This is a simple back and forth fold. You can get creative by where you start your folding. Try some of these ideas:
   - Start from one edge of the shirt (top, bottom, or side) and work your way across. (f)
   - Start from one corner. (g)
   - Fold only a part of the shirt making a pattern along the bottom, middle, or top of the shirt. (h)
   - Fold from a pivot point, such as in folding a fan. (i)
3. After folding, place rubber bands tightly around the folded area.
4. There are endless ways to apply the dye:
   - Make stripes of varying widths.
   - Apply the dye randomly.
   - Make stripes in one color.
5. After applying the dye, finish as in Main Directions - Step #6.
Scrunch or Brain
1. First follow Steps #1-#4 in Main Directions!
2. Lay the shirt out flat onto a protected surface. (a)
3. Spreading your fingers wide and place them on the shirt. Draw your fingers in and repeatedly scrunch up the fabric in a kind of a brain looking bundle. (b)
4. Loosely apply rubber bands to hold the bundle together. (c)
5. Apply the dye randomly in spots. You can push the nozzle of the applicator bottle into some of the folds as you squeeze.
6. After applying the dye, finish as in Main Directions - Step #6.