

# IndiGold™ EasiColor Pen

## *Instructions*



**IndiGold™ EasiColor pens are made from the same high-quality saturated pigment as IndiGold™, the world's first pre-reduced indigo that's entirely plant-based. These pens are mini natural indigo vats with no mess and no setup. 100% natural indigo straight from a pen, packing a lot of color!**

### **Prepping Your Fabric**

Fibers need to be thoroughly scoured to assure good, even uptake of dye. Sourcing is not done to remove dirt, but to strip the fibers of natural oils and waxes. Even clean-looking textiles need to be scoured. We recommend washing with a neutral detergent.

### **Time to Draw!**

1. Pre-wet your fabric with water, making sure your piece is evenly wet, but not dripping. This will help the color glide on the fabric like watercolor.
2. Take the cap off the pen and twist the end to push out the IndiGold™ liquid.
3. When the bristles at the end of your pen are saturated (You can always test whether you have too much or too little on a paper towel before starting your design) begin to draw directly on your shirt. We recommend inserting a cardboard cutout or plastic mat underneath and taping your materials down to stretch out the fiber and remove any wrinkles for a smooth drawing surface.



4. When you're done with your design hang your piece in a spot away from direct sunlight, and fully spread out your fabric to ensure that every bit of the material is exposed to the air. Wait for 1 hr (or longer!) so that the indigo can fully oxidize and adhere to your fabric. It is best to let the pigment completely dry.
5. Rinse in cool water to get most of the unfixed indigo off.
6. At this point, you can touch up any areas that are not as dark or add to your design. Wait for it to completely dry once more.
7. To finish your pieces, add a bit of vinegar to a bucket of water or your washing machine to fix the indigo, then follow up with a quick cycle using a gentle detergent or soap (typically fragrance-free detergents for sensitive skin or Bronner's work best).

### **Your Notes:**

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