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BATIK DYES FOR NATURAL FIBRES

High quality, concentrated, cold dyeing batik dyes which are totally intermixable

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Method:

1. Pre-wash and rinse fabric.
2. Measure sufficient tap water into a bucket or bowl (dye bath) to allow free movement of the fabric.
3. From the table below, take the required quantity of dye and salt (per litre of water) and mix with a small amount of hot tap water. Add to the dye bath whilst stirring.
4. In a separate container, dissolve the required amount of fixer in a small quantity of hot water - when solution is clear, stir into dye bath.
5. Put in damp fabric and dye for 30 minutes (pastel shades) and 60 minutes (deeper shades) moving the material through the liquid every few minutes to ensure even dyeing
6. When carrying out Batik work, rinse in cold water after each dye bath. Once dyeing has been completed and wax removed, finish with a hot wash to remove excess dye - Rinse and dry.

APPROXIMATE SHADE GUIDE - PER LITRE OF WATER

	Dye (gms)	Salt (gms)	Fixer (gms)
Pastel Shade	2	50	10
Medium Shade	4	50	15
Deep Shade	6	50	20

HELPFUL TIPS

1. Before you begin, fabrics should be thoroughly washed using hot water and detergent - this will remove manufacturers finishes.
2. All quantities given are for guidance only and can be varied to suit individual requirements. In the absence of fine scales, use a 5ml teaspoon - a rough guide would be - level teaspoon - 4gms, heaped teaspoon - 8gms.
3. Due to frequent requests for simplified instructions, we have expressed the various methods in gms/litre of water. This in no way precludes the standard method of dyeing being taught and used i.e. gms/wt of dry fabric - either system will produce excellent results.
4. Again, for convenience, and time saving, the fabric can be left damp after washing but there is a higher uptake of dye from dry fabric.

BATIK DYES - COLOURS AVAILABLE: Red, Blue, Yellow, Cerise, Purple, Green, Brown.
Sizes: 25gm, 50gm

BATIK FIX - (For use with Batik Dyes)

Additional products available for use with Batik Dyes:

Thickener (For use in printing techniques, design work), Urea (Increases dye solubility).

Safety in use: Care should be taken when handling all dyes and associated chemicals - rubber gloves and protective clothing should be worn when necessary. Precautions should be taken to avoid accidental ingestion, inhalation and skin and eye contact. Keep containers closed and away from children. Information contained in this publication or as otherwise supplied is believed to be accurate and is given in good faith, but without guarantee as we have no control over conditions of use and individual application.

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