



Shibori and Indigo Workshops

Classes can be adjusted to meet the needs of the group. Some classes are one day for the basics of making a vat and simple resist techniques. Some classes can be multiple days of stitching and other resists.

One Day class example:

- Brief explanation of Shibori and indigo dye.
- Explanation of different kinds of indigo vats; natural, synthetic and pre-reduced.
- Making of a single type of indigo vat.
- Explanation of Itajime Shibori and demonstrations of folding and clamping the fabric.
- We will then fold and clamp fabric to dye. I will also demo some marble wrapping, arashi pole wrapping and other fun techniques. The rest of the day will be spent working with the fabrics and dyeing.
- At the end of the day I will explain the techniques to finish the fabrics.

Multi Day class example:

Day One:

- Brief explanation of Shibori and indigo dye.
- Explanation of different kinds of indigo vats; natural, synthetic and pre-reduced.
- Making of a pre-reduced indigo vat and a natural indigo vat.
- Explanation of Itajime Shibori and demonstrations of folding and clamping the fabric.
- We will then fold and clamp fabric to dye. I will also demo some marble wrapping and other fun techniques. The rest of the day will be spent working with the fabrics and dyeing.
- At the end of the day I will explain the techniques to begin stitching for the stitched designs.

Day Two:

- Short review of the previous day.
- Brief explanation of Arashi Shibori and demos on more than one way to fold and wrap the fabrics on a pole for unique designs.
- Short explanation and demo on simple stitching techniques.
- Spend the day doing any of the techniques learned so far.
- I will demo more advanced techniques for folding, wrapping, stitching to resist the dye.

Day Three and beyond:

- On day three we will continue working with all of the techniques plus it gives students time for more demos on more resist techniques especially if you want to do more detailed stitching techniques that are not commonly seen in one- and two-day classes.