



TIE DYE PARTY KIT

Introduction

Customize your crop tops! Decorate your denim! And have fun with your friends! Or with your cat if you're stuck at home. Quarantine or not, with tie dye, it'll be a party!

Our quality dyes are non-toxic and fumeless, and we've included everything you need to achieve rich, colorful patterns on any natural fibers. Follow along for easy step-by-step instructions or get crazy and go rogue.

Share your creations on Instagram using **#DoodleHogMakers** and tag **@doodlehogcrafts**. We're dyeing to see what you come up with!

Happiness Guarantee

We hope you love your Make-it-Mine Tie Dye Party Kit because we care about your happiness. In fact, we guarantee it! If something's not right with your product you can email us. We'll respond with a real solution from a real person: emily@doodlehog.com.

Materials

- No-Mess, Easy-Squeeze Bottles with Dye
- Soda Ash
- Disposable Gloves
- Rubber Bands
- Step-by-Step Instructions

Safety & Precautions

- Be sure to use proper precautions when using this product to avoid potential skin reaction, use the provided gloves and protect face to avoid eye and respiratory irritation
- Avoid breathing dust
- Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling
- In case of inadequate ventilation, wear respiratory protection
- Wear protective gloves, eye protection & face protection

Dyeing & Cleaning Tips

- Use natural fibers: cotton, rayon, hemp, linen or ramie for example – synthetic fibers such as polyester will not absorb the dye
- Pre-wash fabric without softener for best results
- Dyes work best in lukewarm water (105°F), do not use hot water
- Let fabrics cure on a wire rack to avoid unwanted color mixing
- Cover your entire working area with a plastic tablecloth, garbage bags, or newspaper
- With proper set up, cleaning up a non-absorbent work surface should be easy with just soap and water
- Once mixture is dissolved with water, the dye should be used within a couple of weeks to ensure vibrancy

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The Basics

1

Soda Ash Soak

Using 1C soda ash to 1gal warm water, soak your fabric before dyeing it to help assist in color absorption. Let it soak at least 5 minutes, and up to 1 hour. Wearing gloves, wring it out, but leave it wet.

2

Bottle Prep

Activate your dyes by adding warm water up to the lip of each dye bottle, replace the cap and shake until the mix is dissolved. You're ready to go!

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Tying & Dyeing

Now for the good stuff... Follow the steps for one of our 5 awesome techniques or experiment with your own. There's no wrong way!

When you're done, come back here for the finishing touches »»»

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Let It Set

Put your dyed fabric into a sealed plastic bag or cover with plastic wrap to keep damp while the dye processes. Let the fabric cure for 12 hours minimum, preferably 24 for optimal vibrancy.

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Wash It Out

Once cured, rinse your tied fabrics with cold water until the water runs clear. You can now untie and wash fabrics in a washing machine for a full normal cycle with like colors.

1. Sic Stripes, Bruh



Pattern Tip

Changing your stripe orientation is easy! Fold your fabric in a different direction to achieve vertical, horizontal or diagonal stripes.



Step 1

Gather a section of your garment by accordion folding across the width or length of the fabric. Tightly secure the folds with a rubber band.



Step 2

Repeat Step 1, adding another band every inch. For more stripes, space them more narrowly. If you want wider and fewer stripes, space the rubber bands farther apart. Each rubber band will be the line where two colors meet.



Step 3

Choose your desired colors, and add dye to every section. You can get crazy with a whole rainbow of colors or make a simpler pattern with 2-3 repeated colors.

2. Spill-the-Tea Spiral



Fabric Tip

Tea towels are a fun and functional way to experiment with new color combos and patterns.



Step 1

Pinch the center of your fabric and twist to start shaping your spiral. Just keep twisting...



Step 2

Once the fabric has all been gathered, tightly secure it with 3 or more overlapping rubber bands.



Step 3

Apply the dye to each section. Feel free to skip a couple slices for some white space in your design.

3. The Crumple-stiltskin



Saturation Tip

A tighter crumple will result in a design with more white space. A looser crumple will allow the dye to bleed more.



Step 1

Lay your shirt out on your working surface. You'll want to dye it somewhere it can sit for a while, or inside a baking dish or large tub.



Step 2

Start crumpling! Use your fingers to scrunch it up. The wet fabric can hold some shape, but you can also secure loosely with rubber bands.



Step 3

Apply dye all over the surface of the shirt and flip over to do the same on the back. Be extra careful to let this style set untouched.

4. Bull's Eye Oop-



Color Tip

Colors that share an edge will bleed into each other, so either choose analogous colors that blend well together, or be sure to leave ample white space in between them.



Step 1

Pinch your fabric wherever you'd like to center your bull's eye and pull upward about an inch into a cone shape. Guide your fabric with the other hand. Tie this section tightly with a rubber band.



Step 2

Continue to section off the shirt and secure with a rubber band. Each new section should be a little longer than the middle bullseye. You can stop with 2 rubber bands (3 sections), or keep going!



Step 3

Apply dye to each section of your fabric in the colors of your choice. You're right on target for a cute new tee!

5. Ombre All Day



Step 1

Using a large bowl or container filled with hot water, add a teaspoon of dye powder at a time and use a whisk or spoon to stir. You'll be starting with the lightest color and gradually adding more dye to the mix to create a more saturated color.



Step 2

Dip the fabric into your first color, submerging it a little over half way in. (A pants hanger with clamps is a great tool for dipping shorts.) Check to see if your garment is dipped evenly on each side for a symmetrical look.



Step 3

Once you are satisfied with the base color, add more dye to the bowl by teaspoon. Continue to dip your shorts a little less than half way in to create the ombre effect. Keep adding and dipping until you are happy with the layers of color. Rinse with cold water until it runs clear.



Step 4

If you choose to add a second color, repeat Steps 1-3. Dip the other end of your garment into the new dye bath, overlapping the first color to let them blend.