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### 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 Tie Dye 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**

3 No-Mess, Easy-Squeeze Bottles with Dye 6 Refill Packs (2 Per Color)

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 nonabsorbent work surface should be easy with just soap and water
- Once mixture is dissolved with water, the dve should be used within a couple of weeks to ensure vibrancy

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## The Basics

# Soak It Up

Start by soaking your fabric in warm water. Optional: Dissolve 1 soda ash pack per 3.75 cups of water to help boost the fabric's color absorption. Wait at least 5 minutes, and up to 1 hour. Wearing gloves, wring it out, but leave it wet.

## **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!

## Tying & Dyeing

Now for the good stuff... Follow the steps for one of our 4 awesome techniques or experiment with your own. There's no wrong way!

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

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.

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.

## Includes 2 Dye Refill Packs of Each Color





1 Cut corner of refill pack. 2 Carefully pour the refill pack into bottle using protective gear. 3 Activate dye by adding warm water up to the lip of bottle, replace cap and shake.

With Beach Bum Blues, your tie dye creations will be ready to take you on vacation. Ahhh...warm air, beach hair, don't care! Want even more magic? Try out all of our earth and sea color palettes - perfectly designed to mix and match!











# 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.



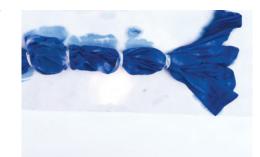
Step 1

Accordion fold your garment all the way across the width or length of the fabric. Tightly secure the folds with a rubber band.



Step 2

Continue adding rubber bands about an inch apart, covering the full length of the folded fabric. You can vary the spacing for wider or more narrow stripes. Each rubber band will be a line of undyed fabric between the colors you add.



Step 3

Choose your desired colors, and add dye to every section. You can make a pattern with all three dyes or keep it simple and stylish with just one shade.



**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

2. Spill-the-Tea Spiral



**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.



## 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.

