

# Tie-Dye

No summer camp? No problem! Bring the fun of tie-dyeing home and show off some colorful clothing and designs.

## Introduction



Although the art of dyeing clothing is an ancient process, the tie-dyeing method was created in the 1960s. Choose from many designs and colored dye options to create a unique piece of clothing.



## How to Make a Tie-Dye Shirt

### Supplies

- ★ White t-shirt or other light colored fabric
- ★ Fabric dye
- ★ Rubber bands
- ★ Plastic bag large enough to fit your fabric

### Instructions

- ★ First, wash and wet the t-shirt (or other fabric) you are dyeing.
- ★ Make sure you are working in an area that will not be stained by the dye or will be easy to clean up. This is a great project to do outside!
- ★ Scrunch the fabric into the desired shape.
- ★ Tie rubber bands around different sections of the fabric.
- ★ Apply your chosen dye to the fabric. Make sure to get both sides of the shirt.
- ★ When you're done dyeing both sides of the fabric, place it into a plastic bag and let it rest for 6-8 hours to allow the dye to set.
- ★ After the dye has set, rinse out the excess dye and wash the fabric.



Be sure to follow the manufacturer's recommendations for the dye. You may need to adjust the amount of time you let the dye set. When in doubt, allow more resting time. You don't want to risk rinsing out your design!