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### **G&S Dye and Accessories Tie Dye Kit Instructions**

G&S Dye and Accessories tie dye kit has everything you need to make brilliant tie-dye cotton garments and fabrics! Each kit will cover about 10-15 t-shirts. Dyes can be diluted for more pastel shades, or mixed to create new colours. Be sure to wear old clothes and lay down plastic sheets to protect your work surface.

Kit contains:

- One bottle each of yellow, turquoise and fuchsia reactive dye with urea
- 3 pointed applicator caps
- a pair of vinyl gloves and elastics
- 250g sodium carbonate
- 500g non-iodized salt
- Instruction sheet

Directions:

1. Wear gloves to protect hands. Fill each bottle with 500mL warm tap water. Less water if you want stronger colours. Tightly screw lid back on and shake well for a few minutes to dissolve the contents.
2. Fill a bucket with 15L hot tap water, or enough to cover your fabric, and dissolve 250g sodium carbonate and 500g non-iodized salt to make the chemical soak. Stir thoroughly to dissolve. Soak your clean fabric in the chemical soak for at least 30 minutes. Fabric can be left in the chemical soak for as long as a month, as long as the container can be sealed with a lid.
3. When you're ready to dye, take fabric out of the soak and wring out the excess moisture until fabric is damp but no longer dripping. Tie, bind, fold, scrunch, twist or pleat your fabric as desired.
4. Put pointed caps on the dye bottles. Pour liquid dyes on fabric in desired pattern. Unused dye should be stored in a fridge & used up within one week.
5. Cover your project in plastic to trap heat and moisture (Zip Lock bag works too). Leave your project in a warm area to allow the dyes to develop on the fabric. Allow to set for at least 2 hours. Ideally, let it set over 24 hours.
6. Unfurl your fabric. Rinse in running cold water to get rid of excess dye. Wash and dry the garment or fabric as normal. Optional: Use TNA soap (sold separately) to help rinse off excess dye. Treat with Raycafex (sold separately) if dyes bleed persistently.