

Knot Just for Beginners!

A simple project everyone will want to do.



How to: Dip Dye a Macramé Wall Hanging

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SUPPLIES

Rit All-Purpose Liquid Dye
Rit ColorStay Dye Fixative
Cotton Cord
Dowel Rod
Plastic Container

Plastic Table Cover
Salt
Dish Detergent
Plastic Gloves
Measuring Cup

INSTRUCTIONS

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Gather supplies. Measure out cotton cord to the desired length and cut.

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Secure the cord to a dowel rod using a larks head knot.

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Once cord is secured to the dowel rod, it's time to create the dyebath. Cover table with plastic. Wearing plastic gloves, fill a large container or stainless-steel sink with 1.5 gallons of very hot water. The water should ideally be 140°F or greater. Pour 1/4 cup of dye into the dyebath. We used Scarlet. To enhance the color, add 1/2 cup of salt. Add 1 teaspoon of liquid dish detergent to help promote level dyeing. Stir well. Test color by dipping a paper towel into the dyebath. If color is too light, add more dye. If color is too dark, add more water.

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Holding the cord by the dowel rod, dip the cord into the dyebath. To create the wave effect featured here, we dipped the cord at a diagonal angle. Let the cord sit in the dyebath for several minutes or until desired color is achieved.

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Optional: Use a paintbrush to clean up the lines and to add more dye if needed.

Recommended: Use Rit ColorStay Fixative immediately after dyeing to enhance color, increase color retention and prevent dye from bleeding. Follow package instructions.

Hang your macramé in a safe place to dry. If it's still dripping, just take a paper towel and blot it to remove the excess dye.

Dry for several hours. Hang and enjoy!