

Soy Wax Batik Supply List (6 Hour Class)

Fabric: Pre-washed cotton fabric, either plain (white or solid colors) or previously dyed. Please stick to lighter values. Amount determined by how fast you work – can be up to 4 yards. Smaller pieces are more manageable, so please cut some of your fabrics down to fat quarter sized pieces before class. Please note that due to classroom size and setup limitations, not every member of class will be able to use the wax at the same time. We will be breaking into smaller groups and taking timed turns at the wax pot. I will do my best to ensure everyone has equal opportunity. You may have some down time while waiting for your turn. I will encourage you to experiment with paint techniques while waiting. Please come to class with a spirit of sharing to make class an enjoyable experience for all.

A variety of metal or silicone objects for batiking such as: wire whisks, potato mashers, spatulas, old kitchen utensils, metal screening, etc. Let your imagination run wild! Check out dollar stores and home improvement stores for ideas. If you think it will withstand the wax and 180 degree heat, bring it and we'll try it. Bring as few or as many of these as you want to try. If you have smaller items, be sure to bring a pair of metal tongs to retrieve hot items from the wax pot.

A palette – a few styrofoam plates or meat trays from the supermarket work great. A yogurt or similar container to hold water for your paint brushes.

Brushes – inexpensive foam brushes for painting, also an inexpensive 1" to 3" natural bristle brush to dip in wax. Paper scissors to cut into the bristle brush.

A tool to scrape off some wax before ironing. An old, small quilt ruler (e.g. a 3" omnigrad), or thick piece of acrylic works well. You could also try an old credit card.

Several newspapers (about as much as two Sunday editions) and an old iron for ironing out wax if you have one. Bring newsprint only – no glossy circulars.

Bring gloves and wear old clothes. Bring an apron if desired. Bring a nail brush to help clean fingernails.

There will be a \$35 per person class fee to cover the cost of wax and fabric paint.

Optional (bring any of these you may already own):

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Fabric paints

Silkscreen