

## Exploring Shibori Dyeing — Supply List (2-Day Class)

### Fabric

- Bring up to 10 yards of high-quality PFD cotton (Prepared for Dyeing). Purchase from a quilt shop or reputable online source.
- Do not use inexpensive muslin — it does not take dye well.

### Pre-Class Preparation - Washing

- Cut fabric into two 5-yard pieces.
- Wash with a small amount of original blue Dawn (full load, hot wash/cold rinse).
- Dry on HOT until damp; iron to remove wrinkles.
- Tear at least 1 yard into fat quarters.
- Divide remaining fabric into fat quarters or half-yard pieces, **keeping one full yard intact.**

### Pre-Class Preparation - Labelling (IMPORTANT! - We need to identify fabrics dyed in the same colors.)

Label each piece so your fabrics can be identified after dyeing (**DO NOT SKIP THIS IMPORTANT STEP!**)

- Cut small rectangles (1"x2") of Tyvek (from a USPS Priority mailing envelope or tyvek sheet).
- Use a permanent, wash-fast marker to write your initials or name on each tag.
- Sew the Tyvek tag securely along one edge, near a corner, of each fabric piece by machine.
- It is possible to write directly on the fabric, but Tyvek labels are much easier to read as they don't take the dye color.

**Patterning Tools** (Bring what you can. I will have some patterning supplies to share plus ropes, poles and buckets, so don't worry.)

- Rubber bands (various sizes)
- Marbles or plastic beads
- Mesh/net bag, knee-high stockings, or small laundry bag
- Thread (polyester or coated, hand-quilting recommended), and/or string, and/or plastic beaded cord
- Suture scissors (recommended) or regular scissors (for cutting bands/threads)
- Clamps/clips: spring clamps, binder clips, clothespins, etc.
- Shape pairs: tongue depressors, jar lids, washers, wooden or plastic shapes from craft stores. (Bring at least 2 of each shape. Having 3 to 6 of the same shape is ideal.)
- A Bucket: 2 to 5 gallon size
- (Optional) PVC pipe: 3–4" diameter, 18–24" long (available in hardware & home improvement stores)
- (Optional) Rope: 2 ft of ½" (or thicker) nylon braided or coiled rope (available in hardware & home improvement stores)
- (Optional - for stitched shibori): waxed dental floss or heavy quilting thread, large-eye embroidery needles, thimble, seam ripper

### Other Supplies

- N95 dust mask (for dye/chemical mixing)
- Long gloves (cleaning type, to reach into half-full, 5-gallon buckets)
- Your permanent fabric marker (as a precaution)
- Notebook & pen/pencil (it will be very helpful to record your dye color choices!)
- Old clothes and/or apron

Kit Fee: \$45 (Includes dyes, chemicals, Synthrapol, and shared tools.)