Basic instruction batik

Instructions No. 1605

JJJJ Difficulty: Advanced

O Working time: 1 hour

By **batik** you create beautiful individual garments and fabric accessories. There are endless possibilities to create **special batik patterns** - try it out!



Batiks made easy

You need these materials for batik

- A fabric, garment, cushion cover or fabric accessory of your choice
- Ribbon, cable ties or Adhesive tape
- Textile paint for batik
- Vessel with water
- Disposable gloves
- · Fixer, if necessary

Suitable fabric/clothing

Choose white or light-coloured pieces of fabric when batiking. These take on the colour best and the base colour shines through only minimally. When it comes to material, almost all Natural materials, batiks do not go as well or not at all with pure synthetic fibres such as polyester.

Suitable textiles are:

- Cotton
- Silk
- Viscose
- Linen and half linen

Decoration examples with Kreul Javana Batik-Textile paint







Batik fun is unique: Each dyeing result is a personal unique. Our **idea "bag batik" also explains** how well batik can be combined with the stenciling technique.

Batiks explained step by step

Step 1: Tie or knot your piece of fabric in the desired places. For this you can use a string, **cable ties or** similar or knot your piece of fabric at the desired place. The areas that are covered will later remain lighter or completely white. **The tighter the Ribbon or the knot, the greater the color difference!**



Step 2: Carefully read the instructions for your particular paint product and fill the container, such as a bucket, with an appropriate amount of water and stir the **Textile paint according to the package instructions**. Now put your cloth utensil **into the dye bath** for about 1 hour. The longer it remains in the dye bath, the more intensive the dyeing. If necessary, now place the fabric piece in your fixing bath. (see package instructions)

Step 3: Then rinse off the excess paint from the still hardened part of the fabric under warm water. **Rinse** it out until the water remains clear. Now you can **loosen the knot or remove the ties and** rinse **your** piece of fabric again.

Step 4: Leave to dry and iron if necessary, and your batik piece is ready!

Batiks with several colours

If you want to dye with more than one colour, first batik the lightes**colour and** then dye with the darker colours further. To do this, loosen some or all of the ties between them and, if necessary, set them again

Different batik patterns

When batiking, you have **many possibilities for batik patterns** by using different tie-ups. You can, for example, lift your piece of fabric upwards at some points and tie them off with Ribbon . This creates the typical batik circles. Another possibility is to pull up your garment in the middle and twist it. Then the patterns look almost like marbled. Or you can fold your garment or fabric and get a striped look. Of course you can also knot, fold or tie up your piece of fabric at will and get a purely random pattern.

Have fun trying it out!

Article information:

Article number	Article name	Qty
337601	VBS Cushion cover, 38.5 x 37.5 cm	1
324090	Cushion covers 39 x 39 cm	1
337502	Shawl "Cotton batiste", 90 x 90 cm	1
337809	VBS Cotton bag, 42 x 38 cm	1