Discharging Dyes with Colourcraft Discharge Paste.

Discharging, is removing colour from a dyed fabric, producing light designs on a dark background.

Often the fabric does not return to white but to a lighter or mottled colour. Discharging does not remove colour all at once but gradually.

The darker the original colour the longer it will take to discharge. Results can be unpredictable.

One sample may discharge to a beige, a second sample from a different roll of fabric may discharge to red or a third may not discharge at all. The reason being that manufacturers often over-dye fabrics or use dyes that don't discharge. Always test a sample first.

Prior to discharging mix together 1 part paste with ½ catalyst and leave for 10 minutes.

(Once the catalyst has been added the discharge paste has a shelf life of approximately 12 hours)

Brush onto fabric, let dry and iron for 2 1/2 minutes on hottest setting.

If paste appears too thick to brush add a small amount of water and mix well.

The example below has been brushed through a Crafters Workshop Template .





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