

How to Use Prefixer

Use the same steps for
Susuzome Soot Dye and
Aiozome India Dye.

Bengala Dye Prefixer is an ionizing agent that helps bond the Bengala pigments firmly to the fiber. As a result, the colors of your fabric will be deeper, more vibrant, and longer-lasting. Patterns created with shibori techniques (e.g. tie-dye, shape resist-dye) will be clearer if the fabric is treated with the prefixer. Even though it means taking a little time for preparation, using the pre-fixer has many benefits; you can even dye synthetic fibers like nylon or polyester. Pre-fixed fabrics require less Bengala dye to take on deep colors.

1. **Weigh the fabric you are going to dye.**



2. **Make the prefixer solution.**

- The amount of water that just covers when the cloth is soaked. As a guide, use water that is about 10 times the weight of the fabric.
- Measure the amount of prefixer to be 3% of the weight of the fabric.
- Add the prefixer to the water and mix well to prepare the solution.



3. **Pre-wet the fabric well (Not into the bucket with the pre-fixer.) and squeeze lightly.**

Tip: Pre-wash the fabric if it has starch, oil, stains or dirt.

4. **Put the wet fabric in the prefixer solution and permeate through the whole area.**

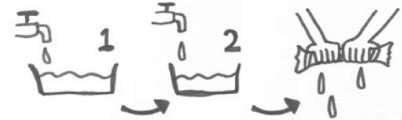


5. **Knead and stir the fabric evenly for 1-2 minutes in the prefixer solution.**

6. **Wring out the fabric well.**

7. **Rinse the fabric twice in clean water.**

Tip: Rinsing is important in order to get rid of excess prefixer.



8. **Wring out the fabric well. You can also use the spin cycle of a washing machine for 1 minute.**

9. **You are ready to do Bengala, Susuzome or Aijo Indigo dyeing. Enjoy!**

Tip: You can start dyeing right away, or you can dry prefixed fabrics and keep for later. Once the pre-fixed fabric dries, make sure you wet the fabric before you start dyeing.

Ingredients

Ammonium Salt as a cationic (positive ion) agent.

Precautions

- For sensitive skin, wear gloves.
- If prefixer gets into your eyes, wash them thoroughly.
- If you drink it by accident, drink clean water and seek medical attention as soon as possible.

How to store

Store in a cool place for up to 2 years post-opening.

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