

Eco-dyed Tangling Materials & Supplies

Eco-dyed papers: real versus fake

The most important and unusual component of this project is, of course, the eco-dyed papers. The process of creating real eco-dyed papers is a bit complex, therefore I recommend that you either purchase the papers ready from a third party supplier, or use the instructions in the lesson to create “fake” eco-dyed papers.

Real Eco-dyed papers:

My favorite supplier of eco-dyed papers is Nancy Dawes. You can contact Nancy directly through her email here ndawesczt@gmail.com to acquire the ready made papers or to get a tutorial on how to make the real eco-dyed papers.

Fake Eco-dyed papers:

For those who cannot acquire or make eco-dyed papers, I have included a complete description on how to create simulated “fake” eco-dyed papers using distress inks and watercolors. To create these simulated papers, you will need the following supplies:

- Flat real individual leaves
- Dylusions Ink Spray in Yellow Zest
- Dark brown ink, distress ink or watercolor
- Hotpressed watercolor paper or Bristol Vellum paper
- Water spray bottle
- Large plastic container
- Smaller plastic container
- Gloves
- Iron
- Paper towels

IMPORTANT: YOU WILL NEED TO USE A VERY HOT IRON. BY PROCEEDING WITH THIS LESSON, YOU ASSUME THE ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY OF HANDLING A HOT IRON AND UNDERSTAND THE RISKS. ALWAYS PUT SAFETY FIRST!





Tangling Supplies

Additionally, you will also need common supplies to colorize and tangle the project.

- **Watercolor set.** Use any brand of watercolor to colorize and shade the eco-dyed project.
- **Medium and small paintbrushes.** I use a number 6 medium watercolor paintbrush and a number 3 small paintbrush.
- **Two jars with clean water.** I use one jar to clean my brush and another one to dip in water.
- **Brown Sakura Micron 01 pen.** For tangling over the eco-dyed paper.
- **White gel pen.** My favorite is Sakura Gelly Roll #10.
- **White Charcoal, Pastel or colored pencil.** My favorite is Faber Castell Pitt Pastel Medium or Derwent Drawing Chinese White.
- **Burnt Umber and Yellow colored pencils.** My favorite brand is Faber Castell Polychromos.