

Eco-print Dyeing

Sue Pearl

13th - 14th Aug 2020

Thursday to Friday

Eco print dyeing is a fascinating way of printing onto fabric. Using flowers and leaves from gardens and countryside, this is a direct contact printing method for the foliage to give up their colours and patterns. It is amazing the effects and results that the most mundane of plants can give. This is not vegetable dyeing but an art of the surprising and delighting effects that can be achieved just by wrapping plants in cloth and steaming the bundle.

Description

Identifying the plants, flowers and leaves that give the best results;

The correct mordents to use;

How to prepare the fabric for printing;

How to arrange the foliage to give best results;

Unwrapping the printed fabric and fixing.

This course will teach you how to create beautiful patterned scarves and wraps using the flowers and leaves growing around us. You will learn how to lay out the leaves and flowers on fabric to create the best results, what mordents we need to use if any and how to wrap these bundles before putting them in the cooking pot. There will be discussions on the best type of foliage to use. We will be making samples before our finished pieces.

Please bring with you

Notebook and pen;

Apron (plastic if possible);

A pair of rubber gloves such as Marigold, close fitting;

Camera;

Ball of string;

Packet of rubber bands;

Selection of leaves and flowers (although much can be found around the Abbey grounds);

Handcream may be useful for afterwards

Available to purchase from the tutor

There will be a selection of fabrics for sampling (natural fabrics only) and a silk scarf for printing for £30. You may also purchase other silk scarf blanks of various sizes and also lengths of a very fine merino weave that make beautiful warm and light scarves at prices from £10 -£20.

Level

Suitable for all levels

About Sue Pearl

Sue Pearl has been felt making for over 20 years. She runs all levels of adult workshops and takes her skills into art and craft schools across the country as well as overseas. She is an effective tutor, passing on her expertise

Course Location:

Missenden Abbey

Great Missenden
Buckinghamshire HP16 0BD

Thursday	
9am	Coffee on arrival
9.15am	Welcome and tutor introductions
9.30am-1pm	Teaching session
1-2pm	Lunch for all
2-5pm	Teaching session
6.45 for 7pm	Dinner for residents
Friday	
7-9.15am	Breakfast for residents
9.30am-1pm	Teaching session
1-2pm	Lunch for all
2-5pm	Last teaching session

with enthusiasm. Sue is a long-standing member of the International Feltmakers Association. She published a book entitled Felted Friends and produced a DVD called Felt Magic. www.feltbetter.com

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