



How to Dye Eggs with Onion Skins

You will need:

- ◆ 12 Eggs
- ◆ 12 Onion Skins (For more vibrant color, use more onion skins)
- ◆ 4 ½ Cups Water (or more if you use more onion skins)
- ◆ 3 TBSP White Vinegar
- ◆ A large bowl
- ◆ A strainer

1. Hard boil your eggs and set aside
2. Place 4 ½ cups water in large saucepan or pot and heat until nearly boiling
3. Add 3 TBSP White Vinegar to pot
4. Add onion skins and submerge them into the water's surface
5. Once this comes to a simmer, let it simmer for 30-45 minutes
6. Place a strainer in a large bowl of water and strain the dye water into the large bowl
7. Let the dye water sit for at least 30 minutes to cool
8. Place the eggs in the dye water for at least 30 minutes (or longer if you would like a more vibrant color to the egg)
9. Remove the dyed eggs from the dye and let dry!

NOTES:

- ⇒ Vinegar acts as a **mordant** which is a substance that is used to bind dyes to fabrics or other surfaces! This helps the color stick to the egg.
- ⇒ For more vibrant color, use more onion skins!
- ⇒ For fun patterns, you can use warm candle wax to make designs on your eggs! This creates a **wax resist** that will seal the egg from being dyed to that spot on the egg. Birthday candles work great for this!
- ⇒ You can use some cooking oil to lightly coat the eggs to give them a bit more of a shine.
- ⇒ Other foods can be used as natural dyes as well! Beets, turmeric, plums, lemons, strawberries, and carrots are just a few!

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