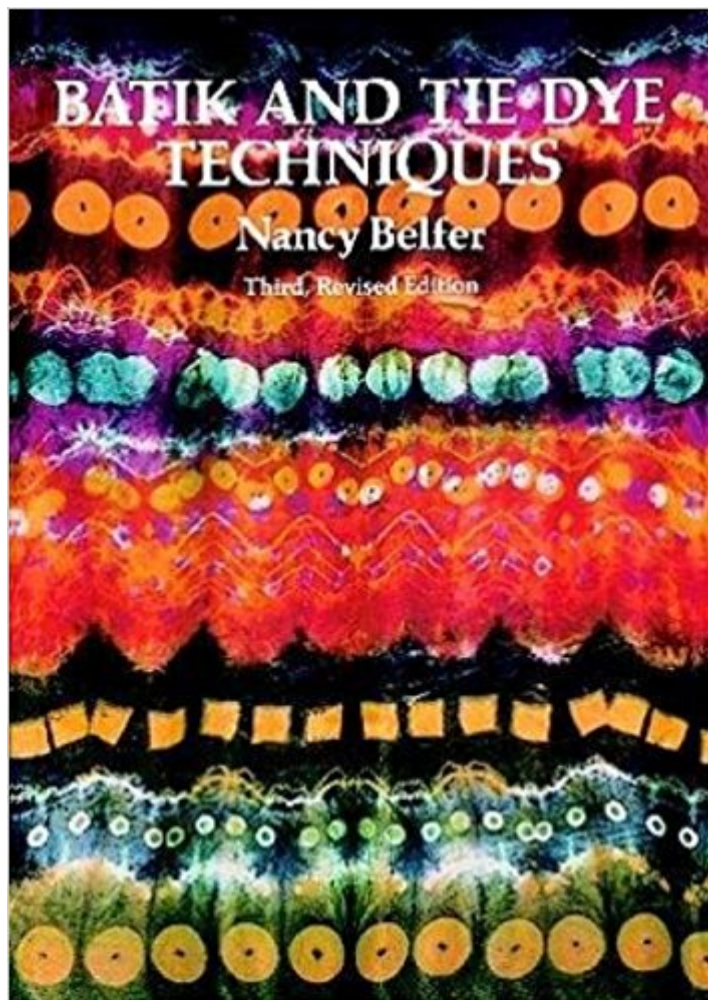


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# Batik And Tie Dye Techniques



## Synopsis

In this comprehensive, generously illustrated handbook, textile artist and teacher Nancy Belfer leads readers step by step through the technique required to successfully create imaginative and beautiful batiks and tie-dyed textiles. Even beginners, following the instructions in this thorough, thoughtful guidebook, can create colorful and exciting textiles that will add distinctive touches to clothing, home furnishings, and more. The author first reviews the early uses of dyes and the application of resist dye processes to textiles, then explores the history and tradition of batik, emphasizing the traditional Javanese batik method. She then covers every facet of the process of designing and making batiks, from selecting proper equipment and supplies, setting up a studio and making preliminary drawings and sketches to preparing the wax, applying the wax to cloth, applying dyes, and setting color. Ms. Belfer follows a similar format in reviewing the history and traditions of tie dye and the art of designing with tie resist techniques, clearly demonstrating each stage of the process, including tritik, clamping, and discharge methods. Over 100 photographs and 28 diagrams make it easy to follow the various procedures. A helpful list of materials and equipment suppliers rounds out this excellent guide.

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## Customer Reviews

Excellent guide to techniques and materials.

It wasn't quite what I hoped for.

I love textile art and this is a wonderful addition to my library. A couple of new ideas and techniques

for me to try out. The book has enough technique descriptions that I recently lent it to a former student for her to use as reference while teaching her first class.

I bet the tie dye in the book would be better if the pictures weren't in black and white. Some of the techniques are a little dated. I was hoping to find a book that gave more direction on how to tie garments of different size and variety to achieve certain types of styles. This book has some great historical information on tie dye. Good addition to my home library.

Excellent, authoritative and comprehensive.

I have been doing tie dyes for years and still found this book very helpful. The instructions are very detailed and accurate. Every one should have this book.

Nice

Discussion of the history of batik is very thorough, unfortunately, that is not what I was looking for. Also, photos are black and white, and not easy to follow. The section discussing how to batik is relatively small compared to the material in the book, and not easy to follow, as the photos are black and white and somewhat small. I recommend Creative Batik over this book, if you want to learn how to batik.

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