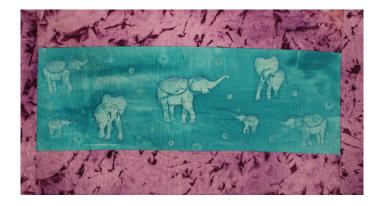


Basic Sun Printing

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Materials

- Pēbēo Setacolor light or transparent fabric paint
- Small cup
- Foam paint brush
- Water
- Plastic gloves
- PFD (prepared for dyeing) fabric, fat quarter
- · Leaves, stencils, or masks
- Cookie sheet or board covered with plastic

Optional

Plexiglass

Most people don't know this but it is heat—not sunlight, per se—that creates a sun print. A nice, bright sun does make the process go faster, however, and it is a fun project for all ages. Good news, though—as long as you have a warm place and some time, you can create sun prints indoors.

Instructions

- Soak the fabric in water and squeeze out the excess so the fabric is only damp. Spread the damp fabric on the cookie sheet or plastic-covered board.
- 2. Put on the gloves. Mix 2 parts water to 1 part paint in a small cup.
- **3.** Using a foam brush, cover the fabric with the diluted paint.
- Working somewhat quickly, place leaves, stencils, or masks on top of the fabric and set it in the sunshine until the fabric is dry.

Tip: If it is a windy day, consider placing a piece of plexiglass over the fabric after the masks have been set down to keep them from blowing away.

- 5. If the sun is not out or it is a cold day, the fabric can be placed under a desk lamp or on top of a heating pad indoors. The key is to have the fabric in a dry, warm area.
- 6. When the fabric is completely dry, remove the masks. Pēbēo Setacolor paints are colorfast and washable. ■

