

STARTEX TEXTILE INK



Colourfast textile ink for fabric painting and printing. Startex comes in strong, bright colours which can be applied by brush, roller, stencil or screen. Suitable for painting and printing designs on T-shirts, pillow cases, cushions, table cloths, tote bags with an easy heat-set process for permanence. Most fabrics require laundering to remove sizing and we recommend sample testing fabric to ensure suitability. Startex Clear Medium can be mixed with colours to reduce the depth of colour without affecting the performance.

STA01

Create a BRIGHT T-SHIRT



You will need:

- Five Star Startex Textile Ink (5 colours)
- Five Star Foam Rollers x 5
- Plain white T-shirt
- Self adhesive contact paper
- Scissors/craft knife
- Ruler
- Cardboard

Addition of water should be done sparingly as this will affect the fastness properties.



Method:

Step 1:

Wash the T-shirt to remove any sizing from the fabric, dry and iron flat.

Step 2:

Using the scissors or /craft knife, cut a large piece of cardboard to the shape of the shirt including the arm holes. Make it slightly larger than the size of the T-shirt and slide it inside. This is to pull the fabric tight while painting and to protect the textile ink from transferring through to the back of the shirt.



Step 3:

Using the contact paper, scissors/craft knife and ruler, cut out varying sized triangle and diamond shapes and lay onto the T-shirt to make the design.

Step 4:

Once you are happy with the design layout, peel the backing off the contact paper and stick firmly to the T-shirt.



Step 5:

Pour out a little of each of the Startex colours onto a piece of cardboard and using a roller for each colour roll each colour in a band as shown onto the T-shirt.

Step 6:

Now start blending the colour changes using the rollers so the colours overlap and blend together. Ensure the Startex has good coverage especially on the seams of the shirt.



Step 7:

Once you are happy with your Startex colour effect, carefully remove the contact paper taking care not to get any colour onto the white areas of the T-shirt.

Step 8:

Leave to dry overnight.

Step 9:

Heat setting process to permanently fix the Startex to the fabric: IRON: Place fabric, paint side up, between clean papers (not printed papers) iron on hot setting, moving constantly to prevent burning, for a minimum of 4 minutes.

Use a DRYER for large items: Place item in the dryer on hot setting for 45 minutes. Allow to age for 48 hours then repeat the process.



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STA02

Create a TOTE BAG

Beginner Level Expert
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You will need:

- Five Star Startex Textile Ink (5 colours)
- Plain calico tote bag
- Milk bottle cap x 5
- Cardboard
- Scissors/craft knife

Addition of water should be done sparingly as this will affect the fastness properties.



Method:

Step 1:

Wash the tote bag to remove any sizing from the fabric, dry and iron flat.

Step 2:

Using the scissors/craft knife, cut a piece of cardboard to slide inside the bag. This is to pull the fabric tight while painting and to protect the textile ink from transferring through to the other side of the bag.



Step 3:

Pour a small amount of each of the Startex colours onto a piece of cardboard.

Step 4:

Using a milk bottle cap, dip the flat side into one of the Startex colours and press onto the tote bag and lift carefully. Ensure the cap doesn't slide when pressing down so you get a nice even circle.

Step 5:

Keep repeating the previous step using a cap for each Startex colour to complete the pattern. Make sure you keep the same spacing between each coloured circle.



Step 6:

Once the colours have dried sufficiently, paint the letters SMILE in the circles.

Step 8:

Heat setting process to permanently fix the Startex to the fabric (ensure Startex is thoroughly dry before heat setting):
IRON: Place fabric, paint side up, between clean papers (no printed papers) iron on hot setting, moving constantly to prevent burning, for a minimum of 4 minutes.

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