



OVERDYEING AND CHANGING FABRIC COLOR

There are two ways to approach dyeing a colored fabric. One is to remove the color before dyeing, turning the fabric to a white or cream color using Rit Color Remover to create a clean canvas for the new color. The other is overdyeing, where you dye the fabric as is, using the combination of the fabric's color and the dye to attain the new color.

The original color of the fabric has a big affect on the final color so it's important to think through the desired result before dyeing. For example, dyeing an item that is pink with royal blue will usually produce purple. Refer to the charts below for more possible color combinations.

When dyeing a print it's important to choose a color that will change the background color as well as the patterned color. Printed or patterned fabrics cannot be transformed into one solid color through overdyeing as the color will usually appear lighter along the patterned area.

If Fabric Is:	Dye It:	To Obtain:
Red	Wine	Cranberry
Red	Royal Blue	Purple
Blue (medium)	Fuchsia	Purple
Blue (medium)	Lemon Yellow	Green
Blue (medium)	Kelly Green	Aqua
Yellow	Petal Pink	Coral
Yellow	Royal Blue	Green
Yellow (bright)	Cocoa Brown	Golden Brown
Yellow (bright)	Scarlet	Dark Orange
Light Tan or Beige	Petal Pink	Dusty Pink
Brown (medium)	Scarlet	Rust Brown
Light Green	Lemon Yellow	Chartreuse
Light Green	Evening Blue	Blue Turquoise
Orange (medium)	Tan	Burnt Orange
Purple	Navy Blue	Plum

If Old Color is:**It Can Be Covered with:**

Yellow (light)



Scarlet, Tangerine, Cocoa Brown, Dark Brown, Dark Green, Wine, or Black

Peach, Light Orange, Light Pink



Scarlet, Fuchsia, Royal Blue, Cocoa Brown, Tangerine, Wine, Dark Green, Navy, Blue, or Black

Orange (bright or dark)



Scarlet, Dark Brown, or Black

Pink (medium or dark)



Fuchsia, Purple, Wine, Scarlet, Cocoa Brown, Dark Brown, or Black

Orchid or Lavender



Purple, Wine, Dark Brown, Navy Blue, or Black

Bright Red



Wine or Black*

Purple



Black

Blue or Turquoise (light)



Royal Blue, Aquamarine, Kelly Green, Dark Green, Dark Brown, Wine, Navy Blue, or Black

Aqua (medium or dark)



Dark Green, Navy Blue, or Black

Blue (medium)



Denim Blue, Navy Blue, or Black

Green (light)



Royal Blue, Aquamarine, Kelly Green, Dark Green, Dark Brown, Wine, Navy Blue, or Black

Chartreuse (light)



Aquamarine, Dark Green, Dark Brown, Wine, or Black

Chartreuse (dark)



Dark Green or Black*

Green (dark)



Black*

Gold (light)



Dark Brown, Dark Green, Cocoa Brown, or Black

Gold (medium or dark)



Wine, Purple, Dark Green, Cocoa Brown, Dark Brown, Navy Blue, Denim Blue, or Black

Grey (medium or deep)



Dark Green, Dark Brown, Navy Blue, or Black

Tan or Beige (medium)



Dark Green, Cocoa Brown, Wine, Dark Brown, or Black

Brown (medium or dark)



Black*

***When Dyeing Black Over Original Color:**

Add the Following to Black Dye Bath:

Red or Wine

1/2 pkg. Dark Green

Medium or Dark Green

1/2 pkg. Scarlet

Medium or Dark Brown

1/2 pkg. Navy Blue

Dark Blue

1/2 pkg. Dark Brown