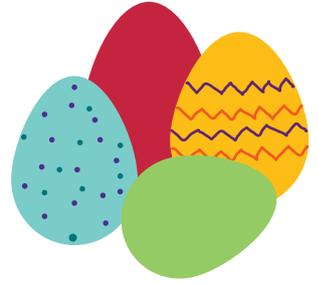


# Mini Park Rangers



Let's dye some Easter Eggs....  
with Ranger Judy

## Cold Water Egg Dyeing

What you will need:

- Cooled hard boiled eggs
- Vinegar
- Food colouring
- Bowl (big enough to submerge an egg in)
- Cold water
- Paper towel on a tray to dry the eggs on

What to do:

Put enough water into the bowl to cover the egg and add 1 tablespoon of white vinegar along with 10 drops of food colour. If you want a darker colour add more drops of food colour.

Carefully place the egg into the water mixture and turn it a few times. Leave it for at least 5 minutes, the longer you leave it the darker it will be.

Carefully lift the egg out of the bowl with a spoon and place it on a tray to dry.

Variations:

Try wrapping the egg in elastic bands before you dye it. How will this turn out?

Find a fern leaf and wrap this around the egg. Hold it in place in an old stocking and tie tightly.

Draw on the egg with crayon before dyeing the egg or after dyeing it, with a felt tip pen.

## Hot Water Egg Dyeing

What you will need:

- Fresh eggs
- Vinegar (1 tablespoons to 1 cup liquid)
- 1 cup of red onion skins per cup of water \*
- Saucepan
- Boiling water
- Paper towel on a tray to dry the eggs on.

What to do:

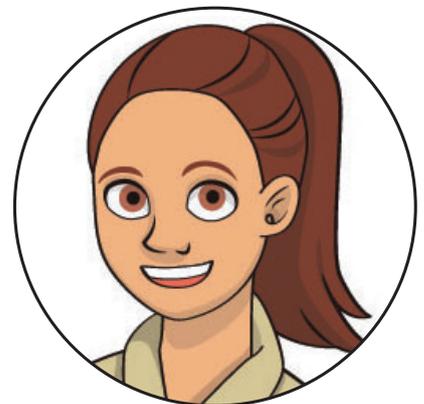
Put the water into the saucepan with the onion skins\*. Boil this for about 15 minutes. Use a slotted spoon to remove the onion skins. Add the vinegar.

Carefully place the eggs into the dye solution using a spoon. Boil for 5 minutes, then remove the eggs. Place eggs on paper towel to dry.

\*You can use any edible vegetables, fruit or spice to make a dye and it will still be safe to eat the eggs. Try red cabbage, blueberries, turmeric or beetroot.

**You can eat your eggs if you use food grade food colouring or edible fruit or vegetable dyes. Remember eggs should be refrigerated after dyeing to ensure they remain safe to eat.**

**Mini Park Rangers, make sure you ask an adult for help with these eggcellent activities.**



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