

## RIT Dye Halloween Trick or Treat Bags

Get into the Halloween spirit with colorful trick-or-treat bags! Learn how to make unique tie-dye patterns on a cotton pillowcase using Rit dye. Apply a Halloween vinyl embellishment as a finishing touch for a trick-or-treat bag that's so cute, it's scary.



### HOW TO MAKE IT



1. Prewash pillowcase in warm, soapy water and leave damp. This removes any manufacturer's finishes that may interfere with dye absorption.
2. Lay damp pillowcase flat on clean surface.
3. Decide where to place the center of the spiral. Then position your fingers around the center point and slowly begin to twist fabric in a spiral direction.
4. Wearing rubber gloves, mix 2 tablespoons of well-shaken liquid dye with two cups of hot tap water. Add 1 tablespoon of salt. Pour into a squirt bottle. Shake well. Repeat the same process to create Purple, Tangerine, Neon Green and Jet Black.
5. Place bound fabric on a wire rack with a tray or container under This is very important because it keeps the dye from puddling under the fabric. Apply Purple, Tangerine and Neon Green in thirds to cover the bound piece.
6. Flip over and apply Jet Black to the entire backside.
7. To set the dye, do the following right after applying the dye:
  1. Apply Rit ColorStay Dye Fixative with a spray bottle, which will enhance the colors and reduce bleeding. Mix 2 tablespoons of well-shaken ColorStay Dye Fixative with water and apply liberally to both sides of the jacket.
  2. If your garment doesn't have any metal components, wrap garment in plastic wrap and seal the edges. Place the wrapped garment on a paper towel in the microwave and heat for 1 to 2 minutes. Plastic will puff up, creating a heat chamber that helps bond the dye with the fabric. Once the microwave is done, remove the garment and open the plastic, letting it cool down.
8. Rinse in cold water until rinse water begins to run clear. This is very important to prevent unabsorbed dye from bleeding into any white areas.
9. Wash in cold water with a mild detergent, rinse and dry.
10. Apply vinyl embellishment as desired.