

Silk Banner Painting

Supplies:

- Paint brushes in various sizes
- Jacquard Dye-na-Flow silk paint (various colors)
- Jacquard Textile Color in #122-Black (or other resist)
- Pencil (to draw design on silk)
- Plastic bottles with metal tips (to apply resist)
- Habatoui silk scarves (can get from Dharma Trading Co.)-sizes 14x72 and 15x60 are great for banners
- PVC frame with rubber bands and larger binder clips
- Bias tape, needle, and thread to use for banner ties
- Designs!

Directions:

1. Wash silk. I have hand washed in cold water using Woolite and allowed to air dry. Be sure to rinse them well.
2. Iron silk on silk setting to prep for drawing design.
3. Draw design on silk using pencil. It helps to sketch it out first so you have a general idea of your design. Use clean lines in your design. Remember that these will be flying up high in the air, so you want your design to be clear.
4. After designs have been drawn on silk, stretch the banner into the frame using the binder clips. Clip the silk near the finished edge to keep the silk from pulling.
5. Apply black resist over pencil outlines. You can use smaller bottle tips for finer lines, and bigger tips for larger lines. Be sure to close all lines to prevent colors from bleeding into the wrong area.
6. Allow resist to dry. You can use a fan to speed up this process a bit.
7. Apply Dye-na-Flow colors into the appropriate areas using a paint brush or foam brush. Take your time in corners to keep from bleeding colors into other areas.
8. Allow the completed banner to dry.
9. Iron on silk setting after drying to set the colors.
10. Attach bias tape for banner ties (3-4 ties depending on banner size).
11. Hang on your banner pole!

TIP: To design different ends on your banner, apply larger resist lines. Once completed, you can cut the banner end *through* the resist lines to finish the end cleanly.

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