

# SILK TIE EASTER EGGS

Make unique designs on your Easter eggs this year with the silk tie method. Follow these simple steps for a batch of unique designs!

## Materials Needed:

- Raw eggs
- Silk neckties
- All-purpose thread
- Scissors



## Directions:

1. Check the tie label to make sure it's silk. Remove the lining, cut it into strips and set aside.
2. Cut a piece of colored silk tie fabric large enough to fit around the entire egg.
3. Wet the silk with cold water and wrap tightly around the egg, with the right side of the fabric facing the egg. Twist the ends tightly so the fabric is touching the entire surface of the egg. Wrap thread around each end and knot to hold the fabric in place.
4. Wrap the lining strips around the entire egg. Hold them in place by wrapping and tying thread around the egg.
5. After wrapping several eggs, place them in a single layer in a large saucepan. Add enough water to cover by 1 inch. Cover and bring to a boil over high heat. Remove from heat; cover and let stand 15 minutes. Place in ice water until completely cooled.
6. Remove lining and silk fabric.

## More Egg Tips:

- A tie usually yields enough fabric to dye four or five eggs.
- Find ties at resale shops or garage sales.
- Don't reuse the silk fabric.
- Combine scraps from different ties to vary colors and patterns.
- Don't plan to eat the eggs? Cook them longer for deeper colors.
- Apply a thin coat of vegetable oil to make eggs shine.