

# Sunprinting

Vendor and Materials Price List for Sunprinting project

## **Samy's Camera\***

- Dyes – \$14.99
  - <https://www.samys.com/s/inkodye%20bottle>
- Roller – \$9.99
  - <https://www.samys.com/p/Misc.-Darkroom-Supplies/Z867/Inkocap-Roller/165833.html>
- Inkowash – \$2.99
  - <https://www.samys.com/p/Misc.-Darkroom-Supplies/Z865/Inkodye-Inkowash-.68-oz-Detergent-Sachet/165827.htm>

## **Amazon**

- Painter's Tape - \$4.49
  - [https://www.amazon.com/Intertape-Polymer-Group-PMD24-Designer/dp/B00F36XKCG/ref=sr\\_1\\_6?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290027&sr=8-6&keywords=painter%27s+tape](https://www.amazon.com/Intertape-Polymer-Group-PMD24-Designer/dp/B00F36XKCG/ref=sr_1_6?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290027&sr=8-6&keywords=painter%27s+tape)
- Unisex shirts – (you could probably find these anywhere and at a better price)
  - [https://www.amazon.com/Hanes-5450-boys-Cotton-T-Shirt-White-XS/dp/B014WC9MSW/ref=sr\\_1\\_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290079&sr=8-2&keywords=white+t-shirts+unisex](https://www.amazon.com/Hanes-5450-boys-Cotton-T-Shirt-White-XS/dp/B014WC9MSW/ref=sr_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290079&sr=8-2&keywords=white+t-shirts+unisex)
- Tote bag - \$17.99 (you could probably find better prices elsewhere)
  - [https://www.amazon.com/Resinta-Shopping-Reusable-Crafting-Decorating/dp/B07C8CRZFM/ref=sr\\_1\\_2\\_sspa?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290131&sr=8-2-spons&keywords=tote+bag&psc=1](https://www.amazon.com/Resinta-Shopping-Reusable-Crafting-Decorating/dp/B07C8CRZFM/ref=sr_1_2_sspa?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290131&sr=8-2-spons&keywords=tote+bag&psc=1)

\*I bought all of my supplies directly from Amazon, Michaels and Joann's but as of this writing, those vendors don't seem to carry them anymore. Surprisingly, Samy's Camera seems to be where you can find everything you need.

## **Tips and Tricks**

This craft can get a little messy. I strongly recommend laying down tarp or something to catch any spillage.

Also, the dye is water soluble and easy to come off. However, it gets exposed to the sun, it's a little harder to clean but it will come off.

The roller, though useful, can be a bit iffy. Foam brushes can be useful

([https://www.amazon.com/US-Art-Supply-Sponge-Handle/dp/B01MCYOHML/ref=sr\\_1\\_16?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290721&sr=8-16&keywords=sponge+brush](https://www.amazon.com/US-Art-Supply-Sponge-Handle/dp/B01MCYOHML/ref=sr_1_16?ie=UTF8&qid=1534290721&sr=8-16&keywords=sponge+brush))

# **Sunprinting (continued)**

## **How To**

Sunprinting is an easy (and sometimes messy) craft that can be done on a sunny or cloudy day.

Start indoors or away from the sun. Take a shirt (or bag or hoodie or whatever) and place it on a flat surface. Enclose the area you want to paint with Painter's tape. Spread the dye around.

Take a photo negative (we also offered different shapes using a die cut) and place it on the area you just covered with the sunprinting dye. Place a piece of clear acrylic over the whole thing and take it outside (not super essential but it helps to keep the negative of cutouts in place in case it's windy).

On a clear, sunny day, it takes about 15 minutes for the dye to be fully develop. If it's cloudy, it takes 20-25 minutes. Bring it back inside and take off the acrylic and the cutout shapes or the negative.

The last step involves taking the item home (being careful not to expose it to the sun or the areas you covered up with photo negatives and cut outs will begin to develop) and run it through two laundry cycles using Lumi's special Inkodye detergent packets.

Good tutorial: <http://www.sunprints.org/how-it-works/>