

Urban Dyers Almanac
Dye Worksheet

Plant Collected... red cabbage

SAMPLE

Date Collected... sunday

Part of plant used and amount... ~ 2/3 of entire cabbage.

Extraction process notes:

I chopped the cabbage and boiled it for 2 hours. I had it on low heat and brought it up until it was simmering.
This was drained and kept in a stainless steel bowl.

Dye Recipe:

Material/ WOF... 3 handfuls, split into 3 different colors

Dye/volume... split cabbage dye evenly in 3 bowls.

Mordant/amount... added one in each bowl - soda ash, alum, iron
green purple blue.

Additions.....

Recipe notes:

-washed the wool, running it over with lukewarm water
-separated into 3 clumps.
-separated the dye into 3 pots, mixed in about a teaspoon
of ~~each~~ - soda ash in one pot, put wool in.
• alum in one pot, put wool in
• iron in one pot, put wool in.
left each pot brew with ~~and~~ wool on a simmering heat
for 45 mins, let them each cool down slowly.
transferred each pot's contents into tupperwares and
let them sit over night, put forks + spoons in, to weigh down the wool.
took them out and let the wool dry flat on the window sill.