

OMBRE BEDLINEN

Transform a plain quilt cover into dreamy
ombre bedlinen with fabric dye.
Here's how...

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YOU WILL NEED

- 100 percent cotton or linen quilt cover set
 - Dropsheets
 - Rubber gloves
 - Bucket
 - Fabric dye
 - Salt
 - Spoon
 - Clip hanger

1 Wash quilt cover set in washing machine without detergent. (Fabric should be damp when dyeing.)

2 Cover work surface and floor with dropsheets.

3 Put on gloves and in bucket or sink mix up dye according to instructions on packet. (For 1 queen quilt cover set you will need 4 x 50g packets of dye. You also need to add 1 cup of salt for every packet of dye; mix with spoon to dissolve.)

4 Lay pillowcases out flat on top of each other then clip one end to hanger. Lower pillowcases into dye, submerging three-quarters of the fabric. Hold for 5 to 10 mins. (You can hang off a chair or clothes horse if your arms get tired.)

5 Lift pillowcases up so about half of fabric is submerged. Hold for 5 to 10 mins.

6 Lift pillowcases up again so about one-quarter of fabric is submerged. Hold for 5 to 10 mins.

7 Drain off excess dye, being careful to keep the undyed section clean. Rinse pillowcases under cold running water until water runs clear, then hang to dry (colour will lessen in intensity while drying).

8 Repeat dyeing process with quilt cover.

9 Once quilt cover set is dry, machine-wash in hot water (no detergent) then dry again before using. Always machine-wash set separately and keep in mind that the colour will fade slightly after each wash – but this just adds to the beauty of it!

Rather than customising a bought duvet, sew your own with your fave fabric

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