

How to Restore the Color of Canvas Shoes

How to restore your canvas shoes to their original color by using tie-dye.

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INTRODUCTION

Are your shoes dull, faded, scuffed or stained? Have you tried every cleaning product safe for canvas shoes or even decided to stop wearing them to keep them looking fresh, clean and in mint condition? What if we told you that it was as easy as tie-dye. With this step-by-step guide, your canvas shoes will look like you just pulled them from the box. It might even spark some creativity if you want to try a new color or design to spice up those old shoes.



TOOLS:

- Liquid light-duty or functional detergent (1)
- Wooden Spoon (1)
- Plastic Bin (1)
- Shoe Dye (1)
- saucepan (1)

Step 1 — How to Restore the Color of Canvas Shoes





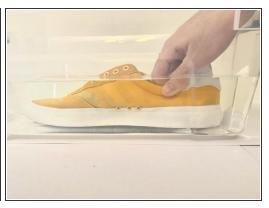


Remove the shoelaces from the shoes if you don't want to dye them.

Step 2







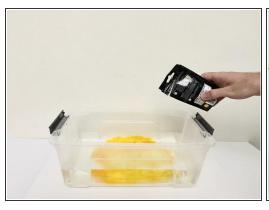
- Soak your shoes in a tub of cool water.
- i This will maximize the absorption of the dye.

Step 3



- Heat a pot of water just below boiling point.
- Pour the water in a container large enough to hold your shoes.

Step 4







- Add the tie-dye to the heated water.
- Stir the tie-dye mix until it dissolves.

Step 5





- Completely submerge your shoes with the soles facing upwards into the container with the dye.
- Leave them to soak for 10 minutes to 1 hour.

Step 6







 Remove your shoes and wash them with cool water and a mild detergent to remove the excess ink.

Make sure your footwear was properly washed and remove any excess dye, then simply let them dry before using them.