



CATECHU Natural Dye

ORIGIN	Catechu natural dye is made from the resinous extract of acacia trees. Our Catechu is prepared and imported from Pakistan.
FIBERS	Dyes brilliantly on all natural fibers.
FASTNESS	Excellent fastness to light and washing.
HOW MUCH TO USE	Use 10% - 25% per weight of any natural fiber (depending on desired intensity)
MORDANTS /FIXERS/ ASSISTS	Alum gives yellow-toned brown and Copper gives a "classic" brown. Iron gives a nice dark brown. For a very dark brown-black, add 13% - 25% by weight of Logwood Extract , pre-mordant with Alum , and dip in an Iron after-bath.
HOW TO EXTRACT	Dissolve in hot water, raise to a near boil.
HOW TO DYE	Add your wetted-out fiber to the dyepot after it reaches a near boil. Leave it in the dyebath and let it cool overnight, stirring often.
DISPOSAL	The dyebath does keep, so you can save your vat until you're done with it, or all the dye is used up. Add the spent dyestuff to your compost bin or spread around the base of plants.
CARE	Handwash, use a mild soap such as Dr. Bronner's. <u>Do not soak.</u>

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