

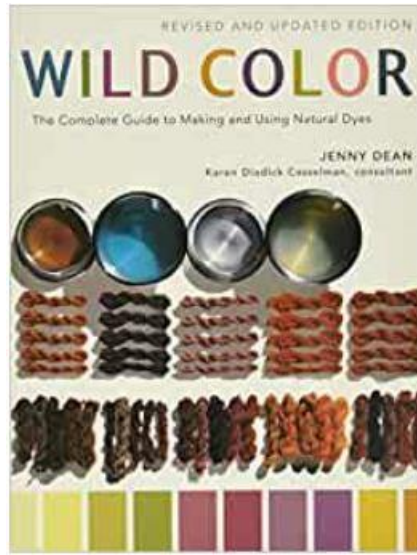


10 Books for Natural Dyers

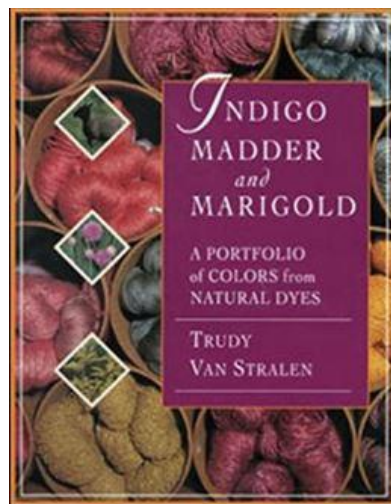
These books are ones that are on my shelf. I often refer to them for information and inspiration. I hope you will love them too.

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1. [Wild Color](#) by Jennie Dean This is a resource that I continually turn to. I love that there are dye plants that you can find locally and also dyestuffs that are only found in other countries. I also really like that there is information about the uses of various parts of the plants: bark, roots, berries, leaves and flowers. So you can use all the plant and get interesting palettes of color.



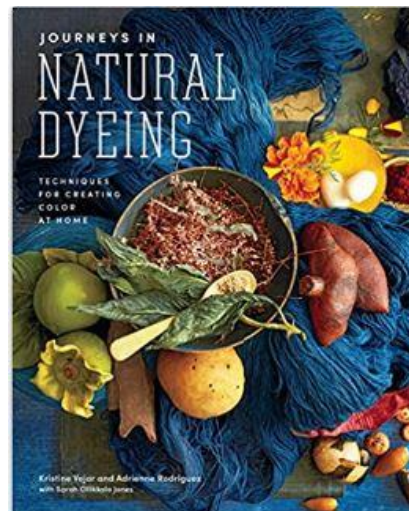
2. [Indigo, Madder and Marigold](#) by Trudy Van Stalen This was the very first natural dye book in my library. In this book, there are examples on different fibers. I love looking and reading the lovely text of this book.



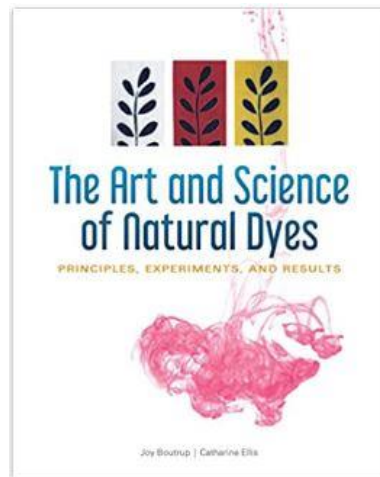
3. [Harvesting Color](#) by Rebecca Burgess This book is by the founder of Fibershed. She not only gives you great recipes for natural dyeing. But she also writes about responsible harvesting.



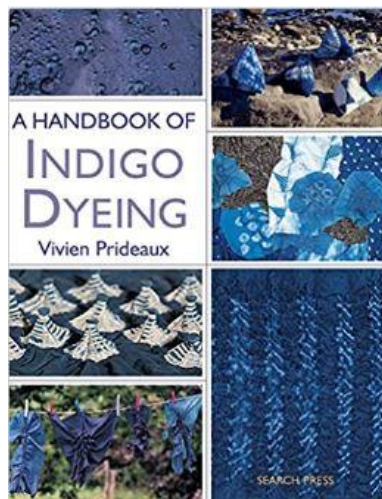
4. [Journeys in Natural Dyeing](#) by Kristine Vejar and Adrienne Rodriguez This book is so fun!! I love that the author's traveled to countries where interesting natural dyeing is happening including Iceland!! They then bring the information home to American and help us to bring these principles into our natural dyeing as well. There are many, many sample photographs and really helpful information.



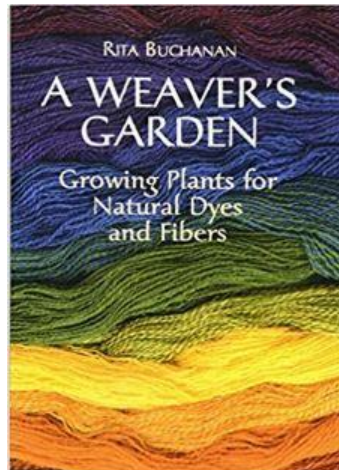
5. [The Art and Science of Natural Dyes](#) by Joy Boutrup and Catharine Ellis
This tome is for the scientists in our natural dyeing world. While there are many, many recipes in this book. The real information is about the specific chemicals that give the dye stuffs their color. And with this information you can tweak your own recipes to get the colors that you want.



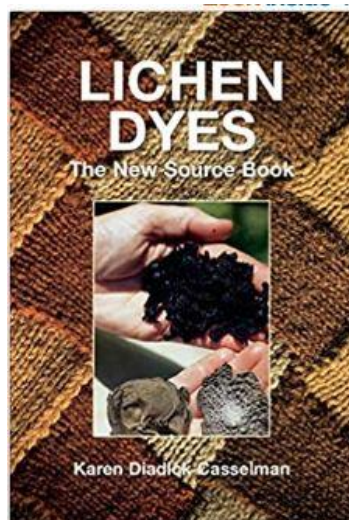
6. [Handbook of Indigo Dyeing](#) by Vivien Prideaux
This handbook gives so much information about making a few different vats. There is also information about shibori (Japanese Tie-Dyeing) and a whole section of projects. If you are interested in creating an indigo pot this is a valuable resource.



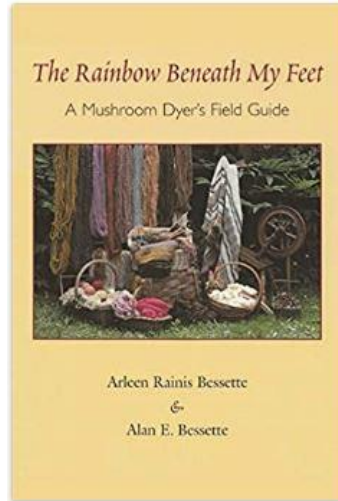
7. [A Weaver's Garden](#) by Rita Buchanan This is one of two books by Buchanan about dye plants. This book also has sections on growing fibers like linen and cotton. There is information on acquiring plants and seeds, planting, harvesting and some dyeing information as well.



8. [Lichen Dyes: a New Sourcebook](#) by Karen Diadick Casselman I found out about this book from Judith MacKenzie McCuin. It is a great resource for finding, identifying and dyeing with all kinds of lichens. I have yet to find a good source of lichens here on the farm, but when I do explore some more, I'll be using this resource.



9. [A Rainbow Beneath My Feet](#) by Arleen and Alan Bessette I do not have this book yet. But I will be getting it soon. It is the only resource out there that I've found for dyeing with fungi.



10. [Eco Colour](#) by India Flint This book is for those who want to try their hands at printing fabric with plants.

