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In this lesson, we will cover:

1. In-the-pot (ITP) swirl.

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ITP swirl is a lovely, not overly complicated swirl. After the soap mixture reaches a light trace, it is divided into two or more parts, each dyed differently. The colored portions are carefully poured back into a large container, not being stirred. Then this soap mixture, which consists of different colored soap, is poured into the loaf mold. During the process, some of the soap colors blend with the others whilst some remain separated, creating a beautiful effect.





1.



MIX THE OILS AND LYE SOLUTION USING A STICK BLENDER.

2.



AFTER THE SOAP MIXTURE REACHES A LIGHT TRACE, DIVIDE IT INTO TWO OR MORE PARTS.

3.



ADD YOUR CHOSEN COLORANTS TO THE MAIN SOAP MIXTURE.

4.



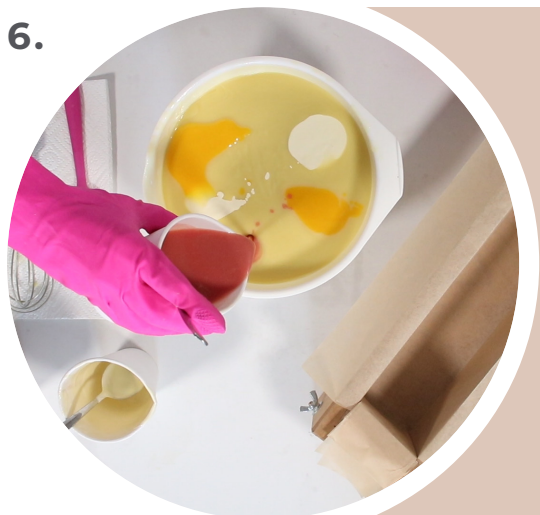
USE A DIFFERENT COLOR FOR EACH PORTION.

5.



MIX WELL WITH A STICK BLENDER.

6.



POUR THE COLORED PORTIONS INTO THE LARGE CONTAINER. DO NOT STIR.

7.



SWIRL THE COLORED PORTIONS AROUND GENTLY WITH A SPATULA, SPOON, OR CHOPSTICK.

8.



POUR INTO THE LOAF MOLD.

9.



OPTIONAL: POUR LEFTOVER COLORED SOAP ON THE TOP AND USE A CHOPSTICK TO CREATE A PATTERN OF CHOICE, EG ZIG-ZAG, SWIRLS, ETC.

10.



LEAVE TO SAPONIFY FOR ONE TO THREE DAYS.

11.



ONCE FULLY SAPONIFIED AND HARDENED, REMOVE FROM THE LOAF MOLD.

12.



SLICE YOUR SOAP INTO BARS.



SUMMARY

In this lesson we explained the process for creating an in-the-pot (ITP) swirl.