

Homemade Natural Cleaners

Homemade All-purpose Cleaner

- ½ cup white wine vinegar
- 2 Tbsp baking soda
- 10 drops tea tree, lavender, or lemon essential oil (for their disinfectant properties)

Mix the vinegar, essential oils and a little water before adding baking soda in a clean spray bottle (glass is best). Then fill to top with water. Use a 12 oz (350ml) bottle. Gently shake to mix ingredients, and then spray, wipe with a cloth, and allow it to dry.

Homemade Disinfectant Wipes

- 1 cup water
- ¼ white vinegar
- 8 drops tea tree oil
- 8 drops eucalyptus essential oil
- 8 drops lemon essential oil
- Empty “wipe” container (e.g. baby wipe)
- 15-20 squares of cloth (e.g. old t-shirts, old dish towels, or similar)

Fold and place the cloth squares into the empty wipe container and set aside. Combine in a mixing bowl the water, vinegar, and 3 essential oils, stirring until well mixed. Pour this mixture over the cloths in the container where they will soak in and be ready for you to pull out and use! Launder and repeat as often as the cloths hold up!

Homemade Oven Cleaner

- ½ cup baking soda
- 2-3 Tbsp water (or more/less)
- White vinegar (½ cup or so)

In a small bowl, mix ½ cup of baking soda and stir in 2 – 3 tablespoons of water, adjusting as needed to get a spreadable paste. Spread this all over the walls of your ovens, rubbing it in for a scrubbing effect. Let that mixture rest overnight. In the morning, you will put some vinegar in a spray bottle and spritz everywhere you see baking soda, which will create a foaming action. Wipe clean with a damp cloth, rinsing until clean.

Homemade Drain Cleaner

- ¼ - ½ cup baking soda
- ¼ white vinegar

Sprinkle baking soda down the clogged or smelly drain, and follow that with the vinegar. Let the bubbling mixture sit for an hour or so, then pour boiling hot water down the drain to rinse. Depending on how smelly or clogged the drain is, you may need to repeat the process again. Once you do it regularly, you'll find that one time usually takes care of it!

Homemade Mirror and Glass Cleaner

- ¼ white vinegar
- ¼ cup isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol
- 1 Tbsp cornstarch
- 2 cups water
- 8-10 drops essential oil of choice (optional)

Combine everything in a spray bottle. Shake to mix well. Spray onto glass surface and wipe clean. Be sure you shake well to fully integrate the cornstarch, which is the ingredient that reduces streaking. You'll want to shake before each use.

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