Natural DIY Recipes for House Cleaning

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1. All purpose cleaner

(1)

- 1/4 cup baking soda
- 1/2 cup vinegar
- 2 Tablespoon **Dish soap** (optional)
- 1/2 gallon water

optional lemon juice or essential oil

Mix all together, it makes a good general cleanser for kitchen and around the house.

1 cup water and 1 teaspoon of Lemon essential oil.

You can also add other essential oils such as **Tea tree**, **Eucalyptus**, **or Lemongrass**. (optional) Just mix together in a spray bottle. Shake well before use.

2. Liquid Dish soap

- 2-1/2 cup water (boiled and cooled)
- 1 Tablespoon **Borax**
- 1 Tablespoon Washing soda (not baking soda)
- 2 Tablespoon distilled white vinegar
- 1/2 cup liquid castile soap

optional **essential oil** of your choice (lemon, rosemary, peppermint....)

Mix all together and pour into a dispenser.

3. Sink Cleanser

- (1) **Lemon juice** and **salt** make a nice cleaning scrub for the kitchen sink. Brush the sink with this paste and rinse with a lot of water.
- (2) Just **baking soda** and **water** make a nice paste for scrubbing too. Rinse with water afterward.

4. Grout cleaner

- 2 teaspoon cream of tartar,
- Lemon juice

Mix the above ingredients to brush the grout. Rinse out with water.

5. Drain cleaner

- 1. Pour 1/2 cup **baking soda** into the drain.
- 2. Mix 1 cup **white vinegar** and juice of half a **lemon**. Pour it down the drain and wait for 5 minutes.
- 3. Pour 1 gallon of **hot water** down the drain.

Baking soda and vinegar combination creates a bubbling chemical reaction to stir up what's stuck in the drain. Use regularly to keep the drain clean and open.

6. Toilet bowl scrub

(1)

- ½ cup baking soda
- 1 cup distilled white vinegar

Spray vinegar in the toilet bowl, seat, outside of the toilet and handle. Add baking soda into the toilet bowl only. The baking soda and vinegar should start reacting. Brush the bowl and flush. Wipe clean the other part of the toilet.

(2)

- 3/4 cup borax
- 1 cup white vinegar

Mix and pour into the toilet bowl. Let it sit for several hours or overnight if possible. Brush and flush in the morning.

7. Shower spray

- 1 Cup of water
- 1/8 Cup of hydrogen peroxide
- 1/8 Cup of Isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol)
- 1/2 Teaspoon of **castile soap** or Dish Liquid
- 1/2 Teaspoon of white vinegar

Mix all together in a spray bottle. Spray on the shower doors and walls. Let it sit for a little while, scrub and rinse for the first time use. Then just spray to the shower door and wall after shower every day. No rinse required.

8. Wood floor cleaning and polish

- 1 gallon of hot water
- 3/4 cup of olive oil
- 1/2 cup of **lemon juice** or a few drops of lemon essential oil

Just wipe on the wood floor with a soft cloth. Keep the floor clean and shiny.

9. Wood furniture clean and polish

- ½ cup of white vinegar
- ¼ cup olive oil
- 1 Tablespoon of lemon juice
- 1 tbsp vegetable glycerin (optional)

Mix well and wipe on with soft cloth. No need to rinse.

10. Glass and mirror cleaning

- (1) Just add Club Soda with water in a spray bottle.
- (2) Alvin Corn Homemade Glass Cleaner
- 1/4 cup rubbing alcohol
- 1/4 cup white vinegar
- 1 Tablespoon cornstarch
- 2 cup warm water

Make sure the water is warm enough to dissolve the cornstarch first. Mix everything else and place in a spray bottle. Shake well before use. Wipe with soft cloth.

11. Microwave cleaning

Put 1/2 cup of **water** in a microwave safe container. Add juice from half of a **lemon** into the water. Microwave for 3 minutes. Let sit for 5 minutes. After it cools down, wipe inside with damp cloth.

Alternatively, use about 2 tablespoons of **vinegar** to the water instead of lemon. And microwave the same way. Let cool and wipe. The acidity and steam should loosen all the dirt and grime for easy cleaning.