

Alternatives to Household Hazardous Products

Instead of	Try
Air Fresheners	Baking Soda, Essential Oils, Potpourri
Ant Spray	Place Red Chili Powder in their path.
Carpet Cleaner	Mix 2 cups Water, 1 cup White Vinegar, 2 tsp Salt & 15 drops Lavender Essential Oil; spray on carpet; allow to dry; vacuum.
Chlorine Bleach	Non-chlorine Bleach, Hydrogen Peroxide, Borax, Baking Soda
Dish Detergent	Castile Soap
Dishwasher Detergent	Mix 1 cup Liquid Castile Soap, 1 Cup Water & 2 tsp Lemon Juice, fill detergent compartment with solution and run dishwasher.
Disinfectant Cleaner	Tea Tree Oil and Water solution, Borax
Drain Cleaner	Plunge; add ½ cup Baking Soda; add ½ cup Vinegar; cover drain for 15 minutes; add 1 gallon Boiling Water.
Flea Pet Treatment	Apple Cider Vinegar in pet's bath and/or drinking water, Brewer's yeast in diet, Herbal Collars or Sprays
Flea Home Spray	Sprinkle Baking Soda or Salt into carpet before vacuuming. Spray fleas with mixture of Vinegar, Water, Lemon Juice & Witch Hazel
Furniture Polish	Mix ¾ cup Olive Oil and ¼ cup Lemon Juice or Vinegar.
Glass Cleaner	Mix 1 part White Vinegar and 4 parts Water.
Grease Cleaner	Lemon Juice or Lemon Oil
Herbicide/Weed Killer	Hand weed, apply Boiling Water or spray with White Vinegar/Salt mixture.
Ink Stain Remover	Mix Cold Water, Cream of Tartar and Lemon Juice.
Laundry Detergent	Finely grate 1 bar of Glycerin Soap; mix with 1 cup Washing Soda (Sodium Carbonate), ½ cup Baking Soda, ½ cup Citric Acid & ¼ cup Coarse Salt; use 1-2 TB of mixture/ laundry load.
Microwave Cleaner	Mix small amounts of Vinegar and Lemon Juice in a cup; place in microwave and run for 2 minutes; let stand with door closed for 5 minutes; wipe microwave interior clean with damp sponge.
Mold Remover	White Vinegar, Baking Soda and Water mixture, Borax
Oil Based Paints	Latex Based Paints
Oven cleaner	Heat oven to 125 degrees: spray interior with Vinegar: pour Baking Soda or Salt on heavily soiled areas; turn off oven and close door; when cooled, wipe oven interior with damp sponge.
Paint Stripper	Sand surface in well-ventilated area.
Rodent Poison	Rodent Traps
Shower/Tub Cleaner	Mix Baking Soda and White Vinegar to form a paste; apply; allow to dry; scrub surface.
Toilet Cleaner	Place ½ cup Baking Soda, ¼ cup Vinegar and 10 drops Tea Tree Oil into toilet bowl. Scrub while mixture fizzes.