

FIFTY USES FOR VINEGAR

- 1 Kill grass on walks and driveways.
- 2 Kill weeds. Spray full strength on growth until plants have starved.
- 3 Increase soil acidity. In hard water: one gallon of tap water for watering rhododendrons, gardenias, or azaleas.
- 4 Deter ants. Spray vinegar around doors, appliances, and along other areas where ants are known.
- 5 Polish car chrome. Apply full strength.
- 6 Remove skunk odor from a dog. Rub fur with full strength vinegar; rinse.
- 7 Keep cats away. Sprinkle vinegar on areas you don't want the cat walking, sleeping, or scratching on.
- 8 Keep dogs from scratching his ears. Use a clean, soft cloth dipped in diluted vinegar.
- 9 Keep chickens from pecking each other. Put a little in their drinking water.
- 10 Tenderize meat. Soak in vinegar over night.
- 11 Freshen vegetables. Soak wilted vegetables in 2 cups of water and a tablespoon of vinegar.
- 12 Boil better eggs. Add 2 tablespoons water before boiling eggs. Keeps them from cracking.
- 13 Soothe a bee or jellyfish sting. Dot the irritation with vinegar and relieve itching.
- 14 Relieve sunburn. Lightly rub white vinegar; you may have to reapply.
- 15 Condition hair. Add a tablespoon of vinegar to dissolve sticky residue left by shampoo.
- 16 Relieve dry and itchy skin. Add 2 tablespoons to bath water.
- 17 Fight dandruff. After shampooing, rinse with vinegar and 2 cups of warm water.
- 18 Soothe a sore throat. Put a teaspoon of vinegar in a glass of water. Gargle, then swallow.
- 19 Treat sinus infections and chest colds. Add 1/4 cup or more vinegar to the vaporizer.
- 20 Feel good. A teaspoon of apple cider vinegar in a glass of water, with a bit of honey added for flavor, will take the edge off your appetite and give you an overall healthy feeling.
- 21 Deodorize the kitchen drain. Pour a cup down the drain once a week. Let stand 30 minutes and then flush with cold water.
- 22 Eliminate onion odor. Rub on your fingers before and after slicing.
- 23 Clean and disinfect wood cutting boards. Wipe with full strength vinegar.
- 24 Remove fruit stains from hands. Rub with vinegar.
- 25 Cut grease and odor on dishes. Add a tablespoon of vinegar to hot soapy water.
- 26 Clean a teapot. Boil a mixture of water and vinegar in the teapot. Wipe away the grime.
- 27 Freshen a lunchbox. Soak a piece of bread in vinegar and let it sit in the lunchbox over night.
- 28 Clean the refrigerator. Wash with a solution of equal parts water and vinegar.
- 29 Unclog a drain. Pour a handful of baking soda down the drain and add 1/2 cup of vinegar. Rinse with hot water.
- 30 Clean and deodorize the garbage disposal. Make vinegar ice cubes and feed them down the disposal. After grinding, run cold water through.
- 31 Clean and deodorize jars. Rinse mayonnaise, peanut butter, and mustard jars with vinegar when empty.
- 32 Clean the dishwasher. Run a cup of vinegar through the whole cycle once a month to reduce soap build up on the inner mechanisms and on glassware.
- 33 Clean stainless steel. Wipe with a vinegar dampened cloth.
- 34 Clean china and fine glassware. Add a cup of vinegar to a sink of warm water. Gently dip the glass or china in the solution and let dry.
- 35 Get stains out of pots. Fill pot with a solution of 3 tablespoons of vinegar to a pint of water. Boil until stain loosens and can be washed away.
- 36 Clean the microwave. Boil a solution of 1/4 cup of vinegar and 1 cup of water in the microwave. Will loosen splattered on food and deodorize.
- 37 Dissolve rust from bolts and other metals. Soak in full strength vinegar.
- 38 Get rid of cooking smells. Let simmer a small pot of vinegar and water solution.
- 39 Unclog steam iron. Pour equal amounts of vinegar and water into the iron's water chamber. Turn to steam and leave the iron on for 5 minutes in an upright position. Then unplug and allow to cool. Any loose particles should come out when you empty the water.
- 40 Clean a scorched iron plate. Heat equal parts vinegar and salt in a small pan. Rub solution on the cooled iron surface to remove dark or burned stains.
- 41 Get rid of lint in clothes. Add 1/2 cup of vinegar to the rinse cycle.
- 42 Keep colors from running. Immerse clothes in full strength vinegar before washing.
- 43 Freshen up the washing machine. Periodically, pour a cup of vinegar in the machine and let it run through a regular cycle (no clothes added). Will dissolve soap residue.
- 44 Brighten fabric colors. Add a 1/2 cup vinegar to the rinse cycle.
- 45 Take grease off suede. Dip a toothbrush in vinegar and gently brush over grease spot.
- 46 Remove tough stains. Gently rub on fruit, jam, mustard, coffee, tea. Then wash as usual.
- 47 Get smoke smell out of clothes. Add a cup of vinegar to a bath tub of hot water. Hang clothes above the steam.
- 48 Remove decals. Brush with a couple coats of vinegar. Allow to soak in. Wash off.
- 49 Clean eyeglasses. Wipe each lens with a drop of vinegar.
- 50 Freshen cut flowers. Add 2 tablespoons vinegar and 1 teaspoon sugar for each quart of water.