



Environmentally Friendly Cleaning Tips

As we become more aware of the environment and how we impact it, here are a couple of age-old products that will replace other cleaning solutions that you have around the house. In addition, using baking soda and vinegar will not cause poisonous fumes but will also help deodorize the air you breathe.

Please visit the web sites listed below and carefully read the instructions before using. The following is just a small sample of what these products can do. A more detailed list and suggestions can be obtained from the web sites. In fact you may have a couple of applications, yourself.

Baking soda

Baking soda can be used hundreds of different ways in the bathroom, kitchen, laundry room, garage, family room, bedroom, nursery, outside and play room.

Whether it's used full strength, mixed up as a paste, or put into some water, baking soda can deodorize a refrigerator, carpets, coffee travel mugs, plastic food storage containers, dishwashers, running shoes, gym bags, clothes closet and your pet dog. Using it with a sponge, scrub and clean the sink, counter, floor tile, shower tile and grout, You will be amazed how it will remove coffee stains from your favourite coffee mug, clean pots and pans, remove stains on concrete too. Take it outside to clean the chrome on your vehicle, tires, and aluminium wheels. Put baking soda on a sponge to clean and scrub bathroom sinks, shower stalls, bathtubs, clean ceramic tiles and grout and faucets. It won't scratch any surface, but it will leave everything sparkling. Baking soda is great to use in the nursery as it non-toxic and a great deodorizer.

<http://www.armhammer.com/>

Vinegar

They say there are 131 uses of vinegar for the garden, bugs, animals, cars, tools, health, beauty, laundry, clothes, in the kitchen, in the bathroom, and several other miscellaneous uses.

Vinegar will clean coffee and tea stains, dissolve mineral deposits in your coffee maker, shower head, iron, salt and perspiration stains in clothes, cut grease, clean up food splatter in the microwave, excellent for windows, eye glasses, mirrors and keeping your windshield frost free. Vinegar is great for cleaning counters, vegetables, your dishwasher, and pots and pans, including killing germs on your cutting board. Use to deodorize lunch boxes and carpets. It is safe to use in the garden, to kill weeds, control insects, enhance the soil, and preserve cut flowers just to mention a few ideas.

<http://www.angelfire.com/cantina/homemaking/vinegar.html>