Homemade Non Toxic Household Cleaners

All Purpose Cleaner (Microfiber cloths):

- Mix 1/2 cup vinegar and 1/4 cup baking soda (or 2 teaspoons borax) into 1/2 gallon (2 liters) water. Store and keep. Use for removal of water deposit stains on shower stall panels, bathroom chrome fixtures, windows, bathroom mirrors, etc.

- 1 Tbsp ammonia, 1 Tbsp detergent, 2 cups water

- ½ cup ammonia, ½ cup vinegar, ¼ cup baking soda-1 gallon warm water

Bathroom Mold Cleaner:

- Mold in bathroom tile grout is a common problem and can be a health concern. Mix one part hydrogen peroxide (3%) with two parts water in a spray bottle and spray on areas with mold. Wait at least one hour before rinsing or using shower.

Oven Cleaner:

- Moisten oven surfaces with sponge and water. Use ¼ cup baking soda, ¼ cup salt and ¼ cup water to make a thick paste, and spread throughout oven interior. Let sit overnight. Remove with spatula and wipe clean. Rub gently with fine steel wool for tough spots. Or use Arm & Hammer Oven Cleaner, declared nontoxic by Consumers Union.

Window Cleaners:

- ½ cup white vinegar, 1 gallon water (2 Tbsp vinegar -1 qt water)

- ½ cup ammonia to a gallon water (2 Tbsp – 1 qt water)

- 1 Tbsp ammonia, 1 Tbsp vinegar, 1 qt water

- 3 Tbsp denatured alcohol to 1 qt water

Outdoor windows:

- 2-3 Tbsp dishwasher detergent and 1 Tbsp “Jet Dry” in ½ bucket of water. Spray and wash, no drying necessary
Dry Carpet Shampoo:
- ½ cup cornstarch, 2 cups baking soda, 4-5 crumbled bay leaves, 1 Tbsp ground cloves.
  Mix and shake into carpet, let sit for an hour. Vacuum up

“Soft Scrub” for Tubs and Sinks:
- 2 cups baking soda
- ½ cup liquid castile soap (soap made from vegetable oil, not animal)
- 4 teaspoons vegetable glycerin (acts as a preservative)
- 5 drops antibacterial essential oil such as lavender, tea tree, rosemary
  or any scent you prefer (optional)

Toilet Cleaner:
- Sprinkle some baking soda and lemon juice into your toilet and walk away.
  Eventually you’ll want to return and scrub it with a toilet brush.

Furniture Polish:
- 1 parts vegetable oil and 1 part lemon juice. Apply, rub in and wipe clean

Upholstery Spot Remover:
- Club Soda

Drain Cleaners:
- 1 cup salt, 1 cup vinegar, 1 cup soda. Flush with 3 qts boiling water

Pre wash Stain Remover:
- 1 cups sudsy ammonia, 1 cup Ivory dish soap, 6 cups water

For nicer laundry:
- 1. Use baking soda with detergent to clean and soften
- 2. Add 1/8 cup white vinegar to rinse water for brighter clothes.

Homemade Wrinkle Release:
- 1 tsp fabric softener (liquid) 1 cup water (distilled is best)

Bug Spray:
- 1 tsp baby shampoo and 1 gallon water  Mix and spray after sun is down.

***Never mix bleach with any type of acid such as ammonia or vinegar. It will cause toxic fumes that are very dangerous.

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