



Cook's Question Corner

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ANSWER - In response to Marie A. Cairns request for vinegar uses, Mary Watkins of Clarksburg, Md. and several other readers submitted numerous uses. Below are some of them.

Add 1 cup of vinegar to washer during the rinse cycle to remove suds residue.

Paint brushes which have hardened can be easily softened by placing them in hot vinegar and then washing in warm soap suds.

Remove decals from walls or other surfaces with tepid vinegar.

A little vinegar added to the water in which you rinse silk stockings will increase their elasticity and make them practically runproof.

To remove scorch from a garment, take a clean, soft cloth moistened with vinegar and rub over discolored area. Take another clean cloth dampened with water and rub again.

Use 1/2 cup vinegar in coffee pot with water and boil about 5 minutes to clean.

In lengthening hems of dresses or drapes, rip out the hem, place a cloth dipped in vinegar (white) under the old hem seam and press with a hot iron. It will completely iron out old marks.

To make a very inexpensive window and glass cleaner, mix two tablespoons cornstarch with 1/2 cup household ammonia, 1/2 cup white vinegar and one gallon warm water. Also removes dirty marks on painted walls or woodwork.

To clear cooking odors, simmer a little vinegar in an open sauce pan.

Dark stains in aluminum utensils caused by minerals in foods and water can be removed by boiling water to

which vinegar has been added.

Rust stains are removed from garments by applying vinegar and salt. Expose to sunlight until spot is dry.

A little vinegar rubbed on fingers will remove odors of onions or fish.

Add 1 tablespoon white vinegar in a quart of boiled water. Keep refrigerated. Apply on sore that doesn't heal.

To tenderize meat, add 1 tablespoons or more to water and cook. For tough meat or game, marinate in equal parts of cooking vinegar and heated bouillon for 2 hours.

Rub vinegar on fish before scaling. This cuts the fish odor and it handles easier.

A cloth wet with vinegar will cut the grease on the stovetop and make cleaning easier.

Add one tablespoon vinegar to cup of cream or milk for sour milk or cream.

If you have poison ivy or a rash, dab some vinegar on it to relieve the itch.

To clean copper, fill a spray bottle with vinegar and add 3 tablespoons salt. Spray solution liberally on copper pot. Let set for a while, rub clean.

Add small amount of vinegar, about 2-ounces per quart, to homemade glue or paste or leftover wallpaper paste and it will keep indefinitely.

To remove waterspots from glass, dampen cloth with vinegar and rub glass until clean.

A room can be cleared of smoke in a few minutes if you dip a towel in equal parts of vinegar and hot water, wring it out and wave it gently over your head as walk about the room.

Use 1 teaspoon vinegar in 1 quart of water to rinse hair.

To clean steam irons, use the same amount of vinegar as you would water. Pour into the iron, steam for 4 minutes, disconnect it and let iron set for 1 hour. Empty the vinegar solution and rinse the iron thoroughly with water.

Stubborn stains on non-stick cookware can be removed by boiling 2 tablespoons of baking soda, 1/2 cup vinegar and 1 cup water for 10 minutes. Re-season pan with salad oil.

Clean the outside of a cast iron skillet with commercial oven cleaner. Let set for 2 hours and the accumulated black stains can be removed with vinegar and water.

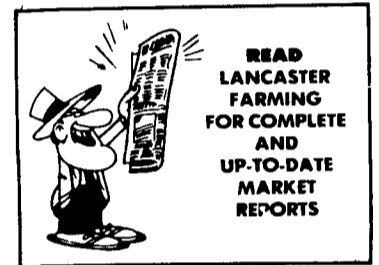
Save time and money by using a cheaper brand of dishwashing detergent. Add a few tablespoons of vinegar to the dishwasher. The vinegar will cut the grease and leave your dishes sparkling clean.

Vinegar is a must when washing crystal. Rinse in 1 part vinegar to 3 parts warm water. Air dry.

Clean shower doors with white vinegar, dampen sponge to remove soap residue.

To relieve sunburn, dab on some apple-cider vinegar until the pinkness and pain disappears.

To have frost-free windshields in the morning, coat the windshields with a solution of three parts white or cider vinegar to one part water.



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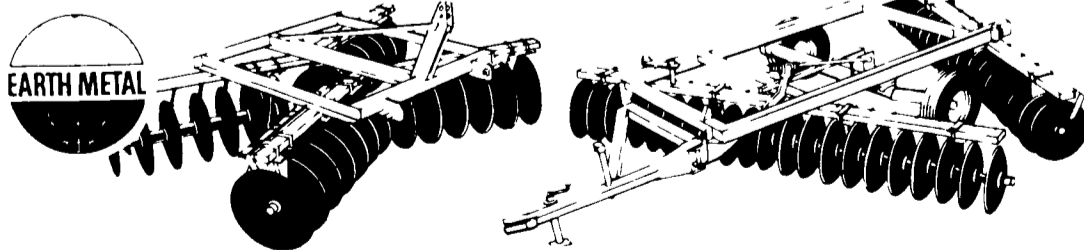
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