

uses for vinegar around the home

white distilled vinegar has many uses around the home, including eliminating odours and sanitising surfaces.

Descale appliances, taps and shower heads

Vinegar is great for removing mineral deposits and limescale. For appliances such as kettles, coffee makers and



irons, use equal parts vinegar and water and run through or let soak in appliance. Make sure to clean thoroughly afterwards. For taps, soak paper towel in vinegar and drape over tap, leave for about an hour and then clean away build up. For a shower head, fill a plastic bag with vinegar and secure it around the shower head with a rubber band, leave for several hours.

Freshen flowers

Keep cut flowers looking fresh and perky longer by adding 2 tablespoons of white vinegar to 1 litre of water.



Kill weeds

Vinegar is an effective weed killer. Make a simple DIY weed killer with 1/3 cup of salt, 1 litre vinegar, and 1 teaspoon of dish soap.



All purpose cleaner

Use vinegar as an all natural, all purpose cleaner. Simply put 1 cup of vinegar with 1 cup of water and use to clean everything around the home from bench tops to sinks to appliances. This 1:1 ratio makes the cleaner also a disinfectant. Add essential oils for extra disinfectant and fragrance (e.g. tea tree, eucalyptus and lemon oil).



Window and mirror cleaner

Make your own glass cleaner using one part vinegar and one part water in a spray bottle. Spray and wipe with a cloth on all reflective surfaces including stainless steel for a streak free clean.



Dissolve rust

Vinegar is excellent in removing rust. Soak shears, scissors, knives etc in vinegar for several hours until the rust is dissolved, remove and rub clean, rinse and dry.



Clean dishwasher

To keep the dishwasher clean, pour a cup of vinegar into an empty dishwasher and run a regular cycle to remove mineral deposits, odors and buildup. This can also be done with washing machines.

Deodorise a room

Vinegar can help neutralise odours. Simply leave a dish with 1-2cm of white vinegar in the room or fridge or smelly area and leave until the smell no longer exists.



Fabric softener

Vinegar is a natural fabric softener. Add 1/2 cup to your washing machines rinse cycle to help soften clothes, reduce static and remove detergent residue.

