







Lemon-Infused Vinegar Cleaner



Lemons aren't just for lemonade!

Use this simple recipe to create a natural all-purpose cleaner for your home.

Ingredients:

-  Peels from 2-3 lemons (or any citrus)
-  2 cups white vinegar
-  1 cup water (for diluting when ready to use)
-  Optional: A few drops of essential oil (like tea tree, lavender, or orange)

Instructions:

1. Place the lemon peels in a glass jar (a pint jar is perfect!)
2. Pour the white vinegar over the peels, making sure they're fully submerged.
3. Seal the jar and let it sit for 2-4 weeks in a cool, dark place. Shake occasionally.
4. Strain out the peels and transfer the infused vinegar to a glass storage jar.
5. When ready to use, dilute 1 part infused vinegar with 1 part water. *(Add a few drops of essential oil if desired.)*

How to Use:

All-purpose cleaner: Mix 1 part lemon-infused vinegar with 1 part water in a spray bottle. Use for general cleaning of countertops, sinks, and other surfaces in the kitchen and bathroom.

Glass & Mirror Cleaner: Combine 1/4 cup of lemon-infused vinegar with 1 cup of water and a few drops of essential oil (like lavender or eucalyptus for a fresh scent). Spray onto glass or mirrors and wipe with a lint-free cloth for a streak-free shine.

Dishwasher Cleaner: Pour 1/2 cup of lemon-infused vinegar into the bottom of your empty dishwasher and run a short cycle. This helps remove mineral build-up, odors, and soap scum.

Bathroom Cleaner: Lemon-infused vinegar works wonders on soap scum in the bathroom. Spray it on shower doors, tubs, and sinks, let it sit for a few minutes, then scrub away the build-up.

While lemon and vinegar are great for most surfaces, avoid using them on natural stone like granite or marble, unsealed grout, cast iron, aluminum, or waxed wood. The acidity can damage the finish or cause discoloration. For these surfaces, opt for a mild, pH-neutral cleaner like castile soap mixed with water for a gentler, safe alternative.

