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The Greatest Cleaning Tool on the Planet!

MAGIC ERASER!! Any brand works great, this little tool will make any cleaning project a breeze! When you've tried everything else and nothing works, this may do the trick. The only thing to be careful of is washing walls may take off the paint and with various other items you're cleaning, make sure to test on a inconspicuous area so that you know it will not ruin the finish. Try this on a white fridge and you will be **AMAZED** at how easy this tool makes everything look new again!

Stale Carpet Odor

Put baking soda into a flour sifter and then sprinkle the carpet with the soda. Leave overnight and then vacuum.

Cleaning Mini-Blinds

Place a clean sock on each hand. Dip your one hand into warm, soapy water and then rub each blind slat until the whole surface is clean. Dry the blind slats with the dry sock on the other hand.

Curtains and Curtain Rods

Before putting curtains on a metal curtain rod, place the end of the rod inside a plastic freezer bag. This prevents the curtains from snagging on the metal when you begin slipping them onto the rod.

Refrigerator Odors

Pour a little pure vanilla on a cotton ball and sit it in a small saucer. Place the saucer in the refrigerator to remove odors.

Cleaning the Fireplace

Mist the ashes with water from a spray bottle. This will keep the ashes from scattering when you go to clean them.

Squeaky Wooden Floors

Dust talcum powder into the cracks to stop the squeaking.

Washing Knick-Knacks

Gather them onto a tray for safe transport. Wash in a dishpan with a little liquid detergent. Rinse, then blow-dry with a hairdryer.

Broken Light Bulbs In Sockets

Turn off power to a ceiling / wall fixture, or unplug the lamp. Insert a potato into the socket and turn counterclockwise to loosen the remnants of the broken light bulb.

Polishing Chrome

Dampen chrome with water. Polish with a small sheet of aluminum foil – shiny side out.

Polishing Furniture

Spraying polish directly onto furniture leaves smears. First, spray polish onto a cloth and then polish your furniture.

Furniture Scratches

Scratches can be filled on light wood by rubbing with the meat of a walnut or pecan.

Cleaning Windows

Use vertical strokes on the outside and horizontal strokes on the inside. This makes it easier to see which side has streaks.

Sticky Drawers

Rub a bar of hand soap across the runners. Drawers should then glide easily.

Wax Crayon on Painted Walls

Spray with WD40 and then wipe clean. Dish soap will remove any traces of WD40 left on the walls.

Avoid Painting Fixtures

Cover hinges and door handles with petroleum jelly. Paint will not stick to this.

Visualize Your Room Color

Before painting a room, purchase the smallest amount of the new color and paint a piece of poster board. Place this in the room and see how the color reacts to the day and evening light.