

THE HEALTHY HOME

Bathroom Cleaning Made Easier

(NAPSA)—Scrubbing the toilet, scraping mildew from the sink and mopping the bathroom floor are chores for the birds.

While it's a pain to clean the bathroom, believe it or not, you can make the task less daunting with a combination of old-school methods and new, effective products. Check out these helpful hints to save some time and energy.

Sinks

Pour one cup of baking soda and one cup of vinegar down your drain each month. After waiting for about an hour, flush the drain with warm or hot water to break down the buildup, making clogs and foul odors a thing of the past. This method is most effective on showers, tubs and kitchen sink drains.

Faucets

Here's an easy tip for removing water deposit buildup around faucets and drain areas. Wrap a paper towel, soaked with vinegar, around the faucet, then plug the drain and pour one half cup of white vinegar in the sink. Wait for a short period of time and watch as the vinegar dissolves the alkali, which is the root cause of the buildup. After at least an hour, scrub the sink with a stiff-bristled nylon toothbrush to help remove the stubborn mess and make your faucet look like new.

Toilets

Alkali can also cause rings to form around your toilet. To remove the unsightly rings, pour one or two cups (two cups if you have hard water) of white vinegar into the toilet each month to both remove current rings and keep others from forming.



You may feel flushed with pride at how sparkling your bathroom can be with a little effort and a lot of ingenuity.

All-Purpose Cleaning

Your best bet for all-purpose cleaning is to use a powerful, all-purpose cleaner, such as X-14. X-14 is the most intense bathroom cleaner you can buy. Try X-14's two newest products, which deliver a powerful clean but offer an alternative to harsh-smelling cleaners.

X-14 Orange Aerosol has a concentrated formula that is proven to clean two times more effectively than the leading aerosol bathroom cleaners. It effectively removes soap scum and features a wide-area sprayer that provides greater surface-area coverage. This innovative formula is the only aerosol bathroom cleaner with a fresh, orange fragrance.

X-14 Oxy Citrus combines two well-known cleaning agents: an oxy-powered formula that whitens and brightens hard surfaces, and citrus cleaning action, which attacks tough soap scum, mineral deposits and hard-water stains.