

## WANT TO KNOW MORE?

To learn more about cleaning green, look for these books at your local library.

*Clean & Green*  
by Annie Berthold-Bond

*Clean House, Clean Planet*  
by Karen Logan

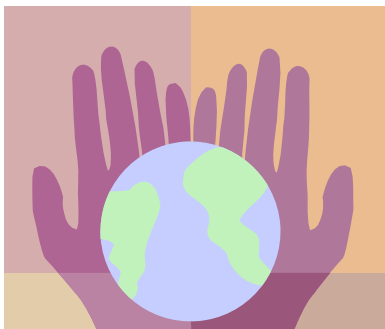
*The Healthy Home*  
by Linda Mason Hunter

▶ Or check out some of these websites:

[www.naturodoc.com/library/lifestyle/cleaner.htm](http://www.naturodoc.com/library/lifestyle/cleaner.htm)

[www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/9684/fabric.html](http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/9684/fabric.html)

[www.msue.msu.edu/msue/imp/mod02/01500631.html](http://www.msue.msu.edu/msue/imp/mod02/01500631.html)



[www.swaco.org](http://www.swaco.org)  
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## Naturally Clean

▶ **NON-TOXIC  
PRODUCTS FOR  
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# SAFE & EASY

Replace the toxic household cleaning products under your sink with environmentally friendly cleaners.

## SHOPPING LIST

White Vinegar	Essential Oils
Baking Soda	Lemon Juice
Borax	Olive Oil
Salt	Spray bottle

## HOW THEY WORK

- Vinegar and lemon juice cut grease.
- Baking soda cleans and deodorizes
- Borax cleans, deodorizes and disinfects
- Essential oils add fragrance and boost cleaning power

## RECIPES

### Window Cleaner

1/4 cup white vinegar  
1 quart warm water  
A few drops of essential oil  
Mix in a spray bottle

### Sink and Tub Scrubber

1/2 cup borax  
1/2 cup baking soda  
1 12/ tsp. each of lemon and orange essential oils  
Store in glass jar, use as a scrubbing cleanser.

### Oven Cleaner

1 part vinegar  
4 parts water  
Mix in spray bottle. Spray on cool oven. For tough spots use baking soda as a scrub.

### Toilet Bowl Cleaner

Flush toilet once to wet  
Sprinkle 1 cup borax in bowl  
Drizzle 1/2 cup vinegar  
Let set for several hours, then scrub with a toilet brush

### Carpet Deodorizer

Sprinkle carpet with baking soda.  
Let set for 15 minutes then vacuum.

### Fabric Softener

Add 1 cup vinegar or 1/4 cup baking soda to final rinse

### Unclog Drains

Pour 1-2 handfuls of baking soda and 1/2 cup white vinegar down drain.  
Cover tightly for one minute.  
Flush with hot water.

### Silver Polish

Boil silver for 3 minutes in a mixture of...

1 tsp. baking soda  
1 tsp. salt  
Piece of aluminum foil

### Furniture Polish

2 parts olive oil  
1 part lemon juice  
Apply with a soft cloth

## HELPFUL HINTS

- ◆ Use vinegar to clean metal screens and storm doors.
- ◆ Use hydrogen peroxide based bleaches. They break down to hydrogen and oxygen in water.
- ◆ Use newspapers to clean windows.

Always properly dispose of toxic household products at hazardous waste collection sites!