

Laundry Soap Directions

Natural homemade soap is used to wash clothes without any of the chemical detergents commercial laundry detergents contain. Our laundry soap is available in a tallow base and will effectively clean your clothes.

Our laundry soap is a low suds formula and you will use much less than the liquid and powder detergents purchased from your local store. The addition of ½-cup white vinegar in place of liquid fabric softener will yield amazing results, and it only costs pennies per load.

General Directions:

Use 1 tablespoon grated soap for a small load of clothes, 2 Tablespoons for a large load, and (1/4 cup) 3-4 tablespoons for extra-large loads and heavily soiled clothes. The addition of wash soda is recommended to increase the cleaning performance of our laundry soap and it is available everywhere by the following brand names: Oxy-Clean, Clorox-2, and Sun oxygen cleaner. Wash Soda has the ingredient Sodium Carbonate –this is not baking soda, it is a different mineral.

Liquid Soap Directions:

Use 1/2 cup grated soap and dissolve in 4 cups of hot water, you may use a 2-qt saucepan or a slow cooker –do not boil the soap solution. Allow the soap to remain on low heat for ten minutes after the soap is dissolved and you will have more consistent results. In a 2-gallon bucket, add 1-1/2 gallons of warm water and stir in ½ cup wash soda, ½ cup Borax and ½ cup of Ammonia. Stir the hot liquid soap into the warm water and stir vigorously for ten minutes, try to have a rolling motion as you stir. The soap will be a stringy gel, allow to cool overnight and add stir the liquid soap before pouring into rigid plastic containers. Allow some space in the top of the container to shake the soap, it does solidify and a little shake will liquefy the soap.

We recommend using an empty container from your existing laundry detergent. This is usually ½ gallon with a measuring cup as a cap. A one-gallon rigid container may also be used. Note: a milk jug is not suitable for storing this liquid soap. A vinegar container works very well and it is something you may already have. Use ½ cup laundry soap per load of laundry, this amount may need to be adjusted depending upon the size and severity of your laundry needs.

**The saucepan, spoon and/or slow cooker should be dedicated to making laundry soap, and never used to cook with, for your own personal safety. These items are inexpensive at thrift stores, yard sales etc.*

Washing Machine Maintenance:

Once per month, run an empty wash load with cold water and 1 cup of plain ammonia to remove any buildup of soap scum. You may find similar information in the owner's manual provided by your washing machine manufacturer.

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