

STAIN REMOVAL CHEAT SHEET

Identify your stain, and find the culprit below to treat your stain. After stain removal, launder as usual.



Grease

Wet the area with hydrogen peroxide. Add a drop or two of dish soap, sprinkle baking soda over the top and scrub with a toothbrush. Let sit for 30 minutes.



Blood

Saturate the stain with hydrogen peroxide. Use an old toothbrush to scrub the stain. Allow peroxide to soak for about 10 minutes. Rinse and repeat until the stain is gone.



Sweat Stains

Wet a bar of Fels Naptha laundry soap and rub on the yellowed areas. Scrub with an old toothbrush and let sit for about 20 minutes.



Fruit, Jams & Ketchup

Prepare the stained item by securing it over a large bowl with a large rubber band. From a distance, pour boiling water over the stain.



Ink Stains

Apply hand sanitizer (or rubbing alcohol) liberally to the stain. Then grab an old toothbrush and scrub the stain for a minute or two to help work the solvent into the fibers of the fabric.



Everything Else

Not sure what caused the stain? My DIY Ultimate Stain Remover is perfect for "everything else." In a spray bottle, combine 1 part dish soap with 2 parts hydrogen peroxide. Store in a dark place. Apply to stains until saturated. For stubborn stains, sprinkle a bit of baking soda onto the stain and scrub.

Bonus Tips

- » Always treat stains immediately. The sooner you treat a stain, the better your chances of removing it will be. Carry a Tide To Go Pen in your purse, so you'll always be ready.
- » Don't dry until the stain is gone. When you remove an item from the wash, inspect the stain to make sure it's gone. If not, repeat the process.
- » Use cool water. Hot water can permanently set stains.
- » Don't mix stain removers. Choose a method and stick to it. If it's really not working, wash the item and try a different approach. Be sure not to mix chemicals, because you might damage your item or create harmful gasses.
- » Use just enough. Too much stain remover can make the stain very difficult to rinse completely. Apply lightly in repeated applications when necessary.
- » Start from the edge. Approach the stain from the outside edges to help prevent it from spreading or seeping.