



Guide for Laundry

STAIN REMOVAL

If concerned about fabric, test in inconspicuous area first. Always start with cold water, even if you plan on soaking in hot water. Don't put garment into the dryer until stain has been completely removed; otherwise, the dryer's heat will set stain permanently.

STAIN	TREATMENT
baby stains	sprinkle w/Borax and soak in cold water before laundering
blood	hydrogen peroxide, then rinse with cold water
chocolate	rinse in cold water, then use dish soap or hydrogen peroxide
coffee	use white vinegar & cold water; then color-safe bleach
crayon	iron between 2 paper towels, spray w/WD-40, & wash as usual
egg	sprinkle w/meat tenderizer, then soak in cold water
grape juice	scrub with white vinegar & dishwashing liquid
grass	dab w/rubbing alcohol, let air dry, then pre-treat w/karo syrup
grease	rub w/chalk, then scrub w/dish soap, then rinse in hot water
gum	freeze with ice, then scrape off with knife
ink	use rubbing alcohol or aerosol hairspray
ketchup	rub w/liquid laundry detergent, soak in warm water & vinegar
lipstick	scrape off excess, then rub with mineral oil, followed by diluted amonia
milk	spray w/Windex before laundering
paint	water-based: sudsy water; oil based: turpentine or paint thinner
perspiration	scrub w/shampoo, then baking soda & vinegar, then soak in salt water
red clay dirt	pretreat with dishwashing liquid, let sit overnight, scrub w/toothbrush
red wine	use white wine, sprinkle with salt, then lander as usual
rust	lemon juice & salt (no chlorine bleach—that makes rust stains worse)
tea	white vinegar & cold water; color-safe bleach