



## **BRANCH BASICS Premium Starter Kit User Guide**

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## **BRANCH**

**BRANCH BASICS Premium Starter Kit** 



#### **Product Information**

## **Specifications**

· Premium Starter Kit

Product Type: Cleaning Solution
pH of Concentrate: 8.5 +/- 0.5

• Safe for: Wood, Stone, Granite, Marble, Septic Systems

## Product Usage Instructions

## **Getting Started**

- 1. **STEP 1:** Fill With Water Pick a bottle and fill to the water line on the label.
- 2. **STEP 2:** Add Concentrate Fill with Concentrate to the soap line on the label. Top it off with water.
- 3. **STEP 3:** Start Cleaning Gently shake, and you're ready to start cleaning!

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)IS IT A DISINFECTANT OR SANITIZER?

Branch Basics REMOVES germs. Sanitizers and disinfectants KILL germs while leaving them in place.

#### **HOW DO I PROPERLY DISINFECT/ SANITIZE?**

Know that adding essential oils may make our product an eye irritant, and possibly a respiratory or skin irritant. We recommend organic or wildcrafted essential oils processed without solvents.

## **Getting Started**

1. STEP 1

Fill With Water

Pick a bottle and fill to the "water" line on the label.

2. STEP 2

Add Concentrate

Fill with Concentrate to the "soap" line on the label. Top it off with water.

## 3. STEP 3

Start Cleaning

Gently shake, and you're ready to start cleaning!



## **FAQs**

## • IS IT A DISINFECTANT OR SANITIZER?

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## • HOW DO I PROPERLY DISINFECT/SANITIZE?

When sanitizing and disinfecting is warranted (such as after the use of raw meat, or when a family member has been sick), use a non-toxic approach. Fill one spray bottle with Distilled White Vinegar (5% acidity) and a separate spray bottle for Hydrogen Peroxide (3% solution—brown bottle). Please note to keep these ingredients in separate bottles. Do not mix! To use, spray a few sprays of vinegar or hydrogen peroxide (the order does not matter) on the surface, and let the one product dwell 5-10 minutes. Wipe clean. Then, spray the other product on the same surface. Let dwell, then wipe thoroughly. This combination works well as a chemical disinfectant without the toxicity factor.

#### • HOW DO I USE IT IN LAUNDRY?

Pre-treat stains with All-Purpose. Add 1 scoop of Oxygen Boost to the drum, 3/4-1 capful of Laundry Solution to the dispenser or drum, then add clothes.

#### IS IT SAFE ON WOOD?

Always test in a hidden area first. Only use diluted solutions of Branch Basics on wood. Specific ratios can be found on page 23.

#### · HOW DO I USE IT FOR DISHES?

Use All-Purpose, Foaming Wash, or soak in 1 tsp of Concentrate with hot water to hand wash. For a dishwasher, use Branch Basics Dishwasher Tablets.

#### • IS IT SAFE TO USE ON STONE, GRANITE + MARBLE?

Branch Basics can clean porous, natural stones like travertine, marble and granite. Spray and wipe clean. If your sealer requires a particular pH, Branch Basics Concentrate is 8.5 +/- 0.5. Always test first if unsure.

#### • CAN I ADD ESSENTIAL OILS?

Yes, but with caveats. Know that our first choice for a healthy home is to use products that are fragrance-free.

Know that adding essential oils may make our product an eye irritant, and possibly a respiratory or skin irritant.
 We recommend organic or wildcrafted essential oils processed without solvents.

#### CAN IT CLEAN MOLD + MILDEW ON GROUT?

Spray grout with Bathroom solution. Mix Oxygen Boost and water in a small bowl. Using a brush, scrub mixture on grout, adding more spray as needed. Let sit 10 minutes or more before cleaning up.

## • HOW DO I USE IT AS A VEGGIE + FRUIT WASH?

Spray produce that has a skin (like apples, cucumbers, etc.) with All-Purpose, wait approximately 30 seconds and rinse. Or soak produce (including leafy greens) in a sink of water with 1 tsp Concentrate 5-10 minutes. Rinse thoroughly.

#### • IS IT SAFE FOR MY SEPTIC SYSTEM?

Yes! Branch Basics products can safely be used with septic systems.

#### WHY DOES THE CONCENTRATE COLOR VARY?

As a natural product the color variation is completely normal. Your bottle of concentrate is absolutely every bit as safe and effective! The color of the chamomile specifically varies in two ways: different crop yields have different colors and it gets darker with time. The color can range from very pale to a deep amber.

#### • WHAT IS THE PH OF THE CONCENTRATE?

The pH of our Concentrate is 8.5 +/- 0.5. If you have a concern that requires a particular pH, we recommend that you fill your All-Purpose or Bathroom bottle with water and Concentrate and test the pH. Also test an inconspicuous area of the surface you'd like to clean to see how the product interacts with it.

## • CAN I USE MY OWN BOTTLES?

Yes, you can use your own refillable bottles! See the dilution ratios on page 6.

1 Check out our blog post "Is Branch Basics a Sanitizer or a Disinfectant?" for more information.

## **Quick Tips**

#### **DWELL TIME**

For tough cleaning jobs, let Branch Basics sit for a few minutes after spraying before wiping or scrubbing. Try longer for heavy-duty messes.

#### **COLORFAST**

To prevent fabrics from fading or bleeding dye, soak clothes in a gallon of water with 1 cup white distilled vinegar and ½ cup salt for 24 hours. Rinse. Repeat if clothes continue to bleed.

#### **ALWAYS TEST FIRST!**

When cleaning fabric, carpet, or upholstery stains, always test on a hidden area first to make sure the solution does not lighten the fabric or leave water marks.

#### **CONCENTRATE**

All-Purpose spray not cutting it? Try your Bathroom bottle in the kitchen, on a stain, or outside. Still not enough power? Try straight Concentrate!

#### **MICROFIBER CLOTHS**

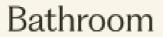
Using Branch Basics products with microfibers is great! Our products loosen up dirt, grime, and germs so they can be wiped easily away by microfibers.1

1 If you use microfibers we recommend washing them in Guppy bags to reduce microplastic pollution of our waterways and oceans.

#### **Bottle Dilution Ratios**

If you want to use your own bottles, use the ratios below to fill with Branch Basics Concentrate.





Potency Guide



20% Concentrate

+80% Water



# Foaming Wash

Potency Guide



1 Part Concentrate 4 Parts Water



# Streak-Free

Potency Guide



1 Drop Concentrate 24 oz Distilled Water





## **All-Purpose Spray BASEBOARDS**

Spray the All-Purpose on a cloth and wipe the baseboard clean.

#### • BRICKS

Spray solution directly on bricks. Scrub with brush. Repeat if necessary.

#### **CAMPING**

Bring along our travel kit for camp and campfire cleanup. Branch Basics is biodegradable and won't contaminate the ecosystem!

#### CEMENT

Wet area, spray, and let sit for a few minutes. Use a stiff brush to scrub area and rinse. Repeat if necessary. Can also use Branch Basics Bathroom spray.

DECKS - WOOD

Wet deck with a hose, spray with All-Purpose solution and let sit for several minutes. Scrub deck with stiff brush and repeat if necessary. For mold and stubborn stains, consider power washing.

#### • DOORS + DOOR FRAMES

Spray onto a microfiber or directly onto the surface and wipe.

#### HUMIDIFIER

Spray the inside of the humidifier and wipe clean from any accumulated scum.

#### POOLS

Spray and rinse. Scrub with a stiff brush, if necessary. Instead of throwing out dirty pool filters, soak in solution

for 10 minutes and rinse thoroughly.

#### PATIO + L AWN FURNITURE

Remove cushions and place to the side. Spray all surfaces liberally with All-Purpose. If heavily stained, let sit 3-5 minutes to let the product break down stains. Rinse furniture with wet rag or garden hose.

## **BIKES, CARS + EQUIPMENT**

#### • ENGINES

Hose off with water and spray wet engine. Let sit for a few minutes. Scrub with a stiff brush. Use strong water pressure to rinse. For heavy duty engine cleaning, increase concentration and dwell time.

#### • EXTERIOR OF CAR

Fill bucket with water and add 1 tsp Concentrate. Use a sponge or rag to clean car. Rinse with a hose. Spot spray bugs, bird droppings, tree sap, etc. with All-Purpose. Rinse immediately to avoid stripping waxed surfaces.

#### • INTERIOR OF CAR

Distilled water is best to avoid mineral rings. Spray interior and wipe or scrub clean. Use a small brush or toothbrush for hard-to-reach crevices.

#### • GRILLS

Spray liberally and let sit 10-15 minutes. Use wire brush or stiff brush to scrub clean. Rinse with water.

#### TIRES

Spray on, then agitate with a stiff brush and rinse off with water. Buff dry.

#### WORK TOOLS & EQUIPMENT

Spray, let sit a few minutes, and wipe.

All-Purpose Spray

#### CABINETS

Always test Branch Basics on the finish first. Spray and wipe clean with a dry cloth.

#### • COFFEE MACHINES

Add 1/4 cup All-Purpose or 1 tsp of Concentrate to a coffee pot, then fill the remainder with water. Pour into coffee machine and let brew. When done, run a pot of fresh water through the machine.

COUNTERTOPS - STONE, MARBLE +

#### • GRANITE

Spray and wipe clean on any porous, natural stones like travertine, marble, and granite. Test in an inconspicuous spot first if your countertop has a sealer.

#### CUTTING BOARDS

To clean germs from raw meat, chicken, or fish off a cutting board:

- 1. Rinse off all remaining meat, chicken, or fish with hot water
- 2. Spray cutting board with All-Purpose
- 3. Let sit approximately 2 minutes
- 4. Scrub with a brush
- 5. Rinse thoroughly with hot water

#### DISHES

Use the All-Purpose, Foaming Wash, or soak in 1 tsp of Concentrate with hot water to hand wash. For a dishwasher, use Branch Basics Dishwasher Tablets.

#### **DISHWASHING MACHINE**

Use Branch Basics Dishwasher Tabs. For a deep clean of your dishwasher, remove parts first (filter, racks, etc.) and clean separately with All-Purpose. Clean outside of machine with All-Purpose and a towel.

#### DISPOSALS

Spray directly into disposal and let sit for 5 minutes to allow breakdown of any buildup, clean and deodorize. Run water through the turned-on disposal for 1 minute.

#### FAUCETS

Spray and let sit 30 seconds. Use a brush or cloth to scrub clean. Wipe with dry cloth.

#### **GARBAGE / TRASH CANS**

Spray thoroughly, let sit a few minutes, and wipe clean.

#### GREASE

Pre-treat stains on fabrics before washing or spray surfaces and let sit for 5-10 minutes before wiping. Repeat if necessary.

#### **POTS + PANS**

Spray and let sit for a few minutes. Scrub and rinse clean. For burnt on food, spray with All-Purpose and sprinkle with Oxygen Boost. Fill with water and soak for a few hours overnight. Repeat if necessary.

#### PRODUCE

Spray produce, wait approximately 30 seconds and rinse.

#### RANGE HOODS

Spray hood and let it sit a few minutes to breakdown grease and grime. Scrub spots if necessary. Wipe with a cloth.

#### • REFRIGERATORS

Spray, let sit for 30 seconds, then wipe clean. For a Stainless Steel fridge, see Stainless Steel directions on the following page.

#### **All-Purpose Spray**

#### • SINKS

Spray All-Purpose, let sit for 30 seconds, scrub and rinse. For a deep clean, spray All-Purpose and sprinkle Oxygen Boost. Wet the Oxygen Boost with more All-Purpose spray. Let sit 10 minutes, scrub and rinse.

## • STAINLESS STEEL

Spray surface with All-Purpose and wipe

with a paper towel. If All-Purpose spray is too concentrated and leaves streaks, use Streak-Free spray instead.

#### STOVETOPS

Spray All-Purpose and let sit a few minutes before wiping. For stuck on food or marks, sprinkle Oxygen Boost on top. Spray All-Purpose to wet, let sit 5-10 minutes, scrub and wipe clean.

Note: Keep Oxygen Boost away from gas ignition.

## OVENS

Preheat oven to warm. Turn off oven. Spray the inside of the warmed oven liberally with All-Purpose. Let sit 10 minutes or more. Scrub and wipe. Dry with a paper towel or dry rag. Repeat if necessary.



#### **PERSONAL CARE**

#### • DENTURES / DENTAL

Soak with All-Purpose and clean with a soft brush. Do not use on brand new dentures or dental appliances, such as retainers. Wait one month for the new appliance to be cured.

#### • BABIES & CHILDREN

#### BABY WIPES

Spray All-Purpose solution onto a moist cloth or paper towel, and wipe! Our All-Purpose is sensitive enough for baby skin. Bring our mini All-Purpose and dry wipes for on the go.

#### • BOTTLES

Use All-Purpose, Foaming Wash, or soak in 1 tsp of Concentrate with hot water to hand wash.

#### • CAR SEATS

Spray and wipe surface.

#### • CRIBS + PLAYPENS

Wet cloth or microfiber and spray with All-Purpose to wipe down parts.

#### • DIAPER PAILS

Spray and wipe each time you empty!

## HIGH CHAIRS

Spray All-Purpose and wipe all surfaces clean with a damp cloth or microfiber cloth.

#### • NEWBORN CLOTHING

Branch Basics is safe to wash all newborn clothing and cloth diapers. Follow General Instructions for how to do laundry on page 19.

#### • PACIFIERS

Spray All-Purpose and wipe clean. Bring our mini All-Purpose spray and dry wipes for on the go.

#### TOYS

For non-porous toys, spray on solution. Rinse or wipe clean. For porous toys, soak them with water and 1 teaspoon of Concentrate. Air dry.

## PETS

#### LITTER BOX

Spray empty litter box, scrub and rinse clean with hot water.

#### PET CAGES

Sweep out bottom of cage, spray and let sit for 5 minutes before wiping.

## PET MESSES (URINE + FECES)

Soak up excess or remove feces. Spray and wipe clean with paper towel. For rugs/carpets, let All-Purpose spray sit for 5 minutes and clean with damp cloth. Clean under rug liner if possible.

#### **All-Purpose Spray STAINS**

Below are many common stains. In general, we recommend spraying stains with All-Purpose, gently agitating and washing. For extra power, sprinkle Oxygen Boost on top of stain or soak if necessary.

- White Fabrics Oxygen Boost can sit a few hours or overnight. Be sure to test to see how fabric responds.
   Even white fabrics can be lightened a few shades in some cases.
- Colored Fabrics Soak in solution of Oxygen Boost (don't let Oxygen Boost sit on top of colored fabrics) or wash directly after treating with All-Purpose to avoid lightening fabric.

#### AVOCADO STAINS

Spray, agitate, and let sit a few minutes. Soak if necessary and wash.

#### • BEVERAGE / DRINK STAINS

Spray and dab with wet towel.

#### BLOOD

Spray, agitate with a brush or towel and rinse. Soak overnight if necessary.

#### CARPET + RUGS

To spot clean, spray stain with All-Purpose and agitate. For extra cleaning power, sprinkle Oxygen Boost on top and continue to agitate. Wipe and vacuum excess. Do NOT let Oxygen Boost sit on colored carpet long as it can lighten the color. Test small spot first if unsure.

#### **CHOCOLATE**

Remove any excess chocolate. Spray the stain and agitate slightly with cloth.

#### COUCHES

Use distilled water in All-Purpose spray, and always test in a small spot first. Gently scrub with damp cloth. Do not use Oxygen Boost unless tested first. (If fabric is removable, soak after treating).

#### CRAYON + PENCIL MARKS

Spray, let sit a couple minutes, and rub with a damp cloth. If removing from painted walls, test first on to see how our solution interacts with the paint.

#### CURTAINS

Spray and gently agitate with a damp cloth. If necessary, soak or wash in a gentle cycle.

#### Stain Fighting Tips

#### SOAK

Soak clothes in a capful of Concentrate and 1/2-1 scoop of Oxygen Boost in a bucket or tub of water. Let the item soak for a few hours (or overnight) and then wash.

#### AGITATE

For difficult stains rub fabric together or use a brush/cloth to help lift a stain. Avoid excessive rubbing unless the

fabric is tough and durable.

#### TRY COLD WATER FIRST

Always start by using cold water, as it's least likely to set a stain. Hot water can set protein stains like milk, egg, or blood.

#### DON'T GIVE UP

Repeat stain treatment if necessary. Ideally, don't dry in the dryer until the stain is removed.

## All-Purpose Spray + Concentrate

#### DIRT ON FABRIC

Spray and let sit 5-10 minutes before washing. Tougher stains may need to soak overnight 1 tsp Concentrate + scoop of Oxygen Boost.

## • GENERAL FOOD STAINS

Spray with All-Purpose. Blot and rinse to lift stain. The sooner you treat, the better.

#### • GRASS STAINS

Dampen fabric, spray and agitate. Treat or soak with Oxygen Boost for tougher stains. Wash as normal and repeat if necessary. Set stains may require straight Concentrate.

#### HARD WATER STAINS

Spray and let sit for a few minutes, scrub with a stiff brush. Branch Basics Bathroom spray will also work.

#### HONEY

Spray liberally, let sit 5 minutes or longer. Agitate fabric together and rinse. Soak if necessary.

#### INK + MARKER

Spray and scrub to lift stain. Wash as normal. Note: this will likely not remove some "set-in" stains if previously laundered and dried.

#### • LEATHER

Test small area first. Spray solution on a damp cloth and wipe leather furniture or clothing.

#### LIPSTICK

Spray stain and let sit for 3-5 minutes. Use a damp cloth to agitate. Soak before washing if necessary.

#### MAKEUP

Spray and gently agitate with a damp cloth. Soak overnight with Oxygen Boost if necessary.

## MYSTERY STAIN

Spray with All-Purpose. Soak in cold water for 5-10 minutes or longer.

#### SILK

Spray and dab gently with damp cloth. Soak if necessary and wash according to label.

## • UPHOLSTERY

Always test in a hidden area first and use distilled water in the All-Purpose bottle. To treat stains, spray All-Purpose and gently agitate with soft brush or blot with a damp cloth. Avoid Oxygen Boost unless you test first.

## WINE STAINS

Spray All-Purpose and gently agitate. Soak or treat with Oxygen Boost if necessary.

#### ADD CONCENTRATE OIL STAINS

Wet garment with warm-hot water, put straight Concentrate on the stain, sprinkle Oxygen Boost on top and rub fabric together until it gets soapy. If colored fabric, soak or wash. If white fabric, let sit a few hours or overnight before washing.

## • SHARPIE / PERMANENT MARKER

Put Concentrate directly on stain. Agitate to help lift stain. If necessary, soak overnight. Wash as normal.

#### • TOMATO SAUCE

Treat with Concentrate and Oxygen Boost. Rub fabric together until soapy. Soak overnight before washing for difficult stains.

Find more information on our official Branch Basics Stainmaster Guide located on our website.



#### **Bathroom Spray**

#### SOAP SCUM

Spray liberally, let sit a few minutes and scrub clean. Sprinkle Oxygen Boost on tough areas. Wet the Oxygen Boost with more Bathroom spray. Let sit and scrub clean.

## DRAINS

Remove any hair or buildup! Spray around drain. Let sit 5 minutes. Rinse and repeat as needed.

### **GROUT**

Spray grout liberally. Mix Oxygen Boost and water in a small bowl. Using a brush, scrub mixture on grout, adding more spray as needed. Let sit 10 minutes or more before cleaning up.

#### HARD WATER DEPOSITS

Spray solution and let sit for 10 minutes. Scrub with the abrasive side of the sponge or pad to remove deposits. Rinse. Keep a squeegee in bathroom to remove hard water after bath or shower.

## MOLD + MILDEW

Spray surface liberally and sprinkle Oxygen Boost. Wet the Oxygen Boost with more Bathroom spray. Scrub with a brush and then let sit at least 5 minutes. Rinse or wipe off with a cloth to remove mold. Finish by spraying straight hydrogen peroxide on the grout lines (you can add a spray bottle cap directly to your hydrogen peroxide bottle to make this easy), and let dry. Mold on bathroom grout or caulk occurs from dirt or grime on the surface in moist areas.

#### • SHOWERS + TUBS

Spray shower/tub, let sit a few minutes, scrub and rinse clean. Sprinkle Oxygen Boost for a deeper clean.

#### SINKS

Spray, scrub and rinse clean. Sprinkle Oxygen Boost for a deeper clean, use Bathroom spray to wet, let sit 10 minutes and scrub clean.

#### TILE FLOORS

For spot cleaning, spray tile and wipe with a clean cloth or rag. To clean floor with a mop, mix 2 Tbsp Concentrate per gallon of water in bucket.

#### • TOILETS

Spray seat, sides, and floor around the toilet. To clean inside, flush toilet to wet, spray and sprinkle Oxygen Boost around the bowl. Let sit for 5-10 minutes, then scrub and flush to clean.



## **Streak-Free Spray**

#### • ELECTRONICS/SCREENS

Spray a damp microfiber or cloth with Streak-Free spray to clean TVs, cameras, phone screens and other devices. Follow with dry rag.

#### • GLASSES

Spray cloth and wipe glasses.

## • MIRRORS

Spray mirror and wipe with dry cloth.

### • SHOWER DOORS

Spray glass and wipe with microfiber cloth.

#### STAINLESS STEEL

Spray stainless steel and wipe with microfiber cloth.

#### UPHOLSTERY

Clean up dirty upholstered furniture without any stubborn mineral rings (just make sure to use distilled water in the bottle!).

#### **WINDOWS**

Spray windows and wipe with dry cloth.

Even use on your car windshield!

## Streak-Free Spray Tips MICROFIBER CLOTHES

Using Branch Basics products with microfibers is great! Our products loosen up dirt, grime, and germs so they can be wiped away by microfibers.1 1 If you use microfibers we recommend washing them in Guppy bags to reduce micro plastic pollution of our waterways and oceans.

#### **DISTILLED WATER**

Fill Streak-Free bottle with distilled water to avoid minerals, then add a drop of Concentrate. After 1 year, replace the formula with fresh water!



## **Laundry Solution**

## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use ¾-1 capful of Laundry solution. Sprinkle 1 scoop Oxygen Boost in the drum before adding clothes.
- If your clothes have stains, pre-treat each stain. Spray the stain with our All-Purpose, agitate and throw into the machine. See page 10 for more on stains.
- \*Note: We do NOT recommend using Oxygen Boost on or with the following materials: wool, wool blends, silk, silk blends, leather or fabrics labeled dry clean only.
- Local water quality varies by municipality and regions. "Hard" water (high in minerals) may require more Concentrate than "soft" water. If you have hard water add 1 cup vinegar to your wash.

#### **TOP LOADING MACHINES**

Add ½-1 scoop of Oxygen Boost to drum. Fill machine with water. Add Laundry solution and clothes.

## FRONT LOADING (HE) MACHINES

Pour capful of Laundry solution into dispenser drawer. Add ½-1 scoop of Oxygen Boost to the drum, then add clothes. Don't pour Oxygen Boost on top of clothes.

• ¾ capful: small-medium loads

• 1 capful: medium-large loads

#### **DELICATES**

Soak clothes in bucket with  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon Concentrate for 30+ minutes. Rinse by hand or run through a gentle cycle. Hang to dry or lie flat as needed.

#### **LAUNDRY STRIPPING**

Cover clothes in hot water in a sink or bathtub. Stripping usually includes hot water, but do what is best for the fabric. Make sure clothing is the same color so dyes do not bleed. Add 1 tablespoon of Concentrate and 2 scoops of Oxygen Boost. Make sure Oxygen Boost is fully distributed throughout the water! Make sure clothing is fully submerged. Soak overnight. Then, wash clothes with extra rinse cycle.



## **Foaming Wash**

#### • PERSONAL CARE BODY WASH

• Use the Foaming Wash in the shower or bath as you would a body wash or soap.

#### **EYE MAKEUP REMOVER**

Rub directly on closed eyes. Wipe makeup off with soft cloth or reusable cotton rounds.

#### FACIAL CLEANSING

Rub lightly on face and rinse off.

#### HANDS

Pump foam and rub together for 20 seconds. Rinse clean!

#### HAIR WASH

Experiment with dilutions – more or less may be better for your hair depending on thickness and type.

#### MAKEUP BRUSHES

Soak for 5-10 minutes in warm water with a few pumps of Foaming Wash or All-Purpose spray. Rinse clean and air dry.

#### SHAVING

Use Foaming Washing to create a rich, thick foam for shaving.

#### • OTHER USES CATS + DOGS

Wet your pet and lather Foaming Wash. Scrub and rinse.

#### DISHES

Use All-Purpose, Foaming Wash, or soak in 1 teaspoon of Concentrate with hot water to hand wash. For a dishwasher, use Branch Basics Dishwasher Tablets.

#### JEWELRY

For sparkling jewelry that looks brand new, soak jewelry in bowl of water with a few squirts of Foaming Wash for 3-5 minutes or overnight. Use a soft brush if necessary. Rinse and dry. Not recommended for opals and pearls.

#### • PAINT BRUSHES

Soak brushes for 5-10 minutes with a few pumps of foam. Rinse with warm water.

#### The Concentrate

#### **CARPET CLEANING MACHINES**

Use a very diluted solution in the machine. Use 1-2 teaspoons Concentrate to 1 gallon water. Here are our recommended ratios:

- 1 − 2 teaspoons Concentrate per gallon of water (16 cups)
- ½ 1 teaspoon Concentrate per ½ gallon of water (8 cups)
- 1/4 1/2 teaspoon Concentrate per 1/4 gallon of water (4 cups)
- ⅓ ¼ teaspoon Concentrate per ⅓ gallon of water (2 cups)

## FLOORS - CERAMIC AND PORCELAIN TILE + VINYL (LINOLEUM)

Vacuum or sweep up loose dirt. Use a solution of 1 teaspoon – 1 tablespoon Concentrate to 1 gallon water. Wipe clean or use a microfiber spray mop.

#### **SHOES**

- 1. Method 1: Soak shoes in cold water with 1 capful of Concentrate and 1 scoop of Oxygen Boost for a few hours. Then wash shoes on cold, gentle cycle. Dry in sun.
- 2. Method 2: Liberally spray with Bathroom spray. Sprinkle Oxygen Boost and spray to wet. Agitate until soapy. If shoes are white, let them sit for a few hours. Rinse clean with water and put in sun to dry.

## **WOOD DUSTING SPRAY**

For our homemade dusting spray, see below:

• 1 cup distilled water

- 1/8 teaspoon Branch Basics Concentrate
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil or jojoba oil, optional
- 3 drops organic lemon essential oil, optional

To Use: Spray a cloth (microfiber is preferable), then wipe surfaces to remove dust. This may not be safe for all wood surfaces. It's important to test an inconspicuous spot on the wood to see how the wood sealer responds before using.

#### **WALLPAPER + PAINTED DRYWALL**

Mix 1 teaspoon Concentrate in a gallon of water. Test first in a small spot. Use a damp rag or sponge with the solution and wipe. Dry off immediately.

#### **WALLS + CEILINGS**

Mix 1 teaspoon Concentrate in a gallon of water. Clean walls and ceilings with a rag once a year or when you move into a new place.



#### The Concentrate HARDWOOD FLOORS

Ideally, always HEPA vacuum wood floors first or use a microfiber mop to remove dust and grime to eliminate potential scratching of the floor when damp mopping. Only very diluted solutions of Branch Basics should be used on sealed wood floors because a more concentrated solution may break down the finish. Use  $\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon of the Concentrate per 2 cups of water. Test in an inconspicuous area before cleaning entire floor. Minimize use of water on wood floor by spraying the solution onto a slightly damp mop to clean the floor. For your convenience the breakdown for use on wood floors is:

- 1 − 2 teaspoons Concentrate per gallon of water (16 cups)
- ½ − 1 teaspoon Concentrate per ½ gallon of water (8 cups)
- 1/4 1/2 teaspoon Concentrate per 1/4 gallon of water (4 cups)
- ½ ½ teaspoon Concentrate per ½ gallon of water (2 cups)

You can always use a more dilute or concentrated solution to clean wood as long as it is tested for compatibility – these dilutions as always are not written in stone.

\*Note: Hardwood floors with a natural oil or wax finish should only be cleaned with the manufacturer's recommended cleaner. Branch Basics is likely to remove natural finishes. Branch Basics works well on most urethane/acrylic /polyurethane/UV cured synthetic floor finishes. In fact, some are so durable that even our All-Purpose spray works fine on them.

#### HARDWOOD FURNITURE

We recommend a diluted solution for use on wood furniture. Use  $\frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon per 2-4 cups water. Use damp cloth to wipe clean. Always test first to see how the finish responds.



## **Oxygen Boost**



#### BURNT POTS & PANS

Spray with All-Purpose, sprinkle Oxygen Boost and fill with water. Let it sit and soak for a few hours or overnight. Repeat if necessary.

#### CARPETS

For colored fabric, always test in a hidden spot first. Spray with All-Purpose, sprinkle stain with Oxygen Boost, and agitate with a damp cloth. Let sit 5-10 minutes. Scrub clean and vacuum excess Oxygen Boost.

#### LAUNDRY

Team our Laundry solution with Oxygen Boost in the washing machine to whiten and brighten fabrics. It's safe to wash with whites and colors. Just add ½-1 scoop of Oxygen Boost to the drum before adding clothes. DO NOT ADD TO THE TOP OF CLOTHES. Adding Oxygen Boost to the drum first ensures the Oxygen Boost is well distributed in the water, and not stuck in the clothing.

#### MOLD + MILDEW

Spray surface liberally and sprinkle Oxygen Boost. Wet the Oxygen Boost with more Bathroom solution. Scrub with a brush and then let sit at least 5 minutes. Rinse or wipe off with a cloth to remove mold. Finish by spraying straight hydrogen peroxide on the grout lines (you can add a spray bottle cap directly to your hydrogen peroxide bottle to make this easy), and let dry. Mold on bathroom grout or caulk occurs from dirt or grime on the surface in moist areas.

#### • SHOWERS + TUBS

Spray all surfaces, let sit 1-5 minutes, then scrub with a brush or rag and rinse. For pesky soap scum, team up with Oxygen Boost for a bright, squeaky clean. Wet area, sprinkle Oxygen Boost on area or on a sponge, spray Branch Basics Bathroom to wet Oxygen Boost and scrub.

#### SOAP SCUM & SINKS

Sprinkle Oxygen Boost on the area, spray liberally with Bathroom solution, and let it sit 5-10 minutes before scrubbing clean.

#### • STAIN REMOVER

Pre-treat or pre-soak stains with Concentrate and Oxygen Boost before washing for extra stain removal power.

- To pre-treat, sprinkle Oxygen Boost directly on stain and spray All-Purpose to saturate the powder.
   Agitate until soapy and let it sit 5-10 minutes before washing. \*Oxygen Boost can lighten colored fabric if it dries or sits for too long.
- To pre-soak, add 1-2 teaspoon of Concentrate and ½-1 scoop Oxygen Boost in a sink or tub filled with enough water to cover item(s). Soak a few hours or longer until clean. Then wash!

#### STOVETOP

Spray and let sit a few minutes before wiping. For stuck on food or marks, sprinkle Oxygen Boost on top. Spray to wet, let sit 5-10 minutes, scrub and wipe clean.

#### TILE & GROUT

Spray area with Bathroom Cleaner and sprinkle Oxygen Boost on grout. Agitate with a brush until soapy and let sit 15-20 minutes. Scrub clean and rinse.

#### TOILETS

Flush to wet, sprinkle Oxygen Boost in the toilet, spray with Bathroom solution and let sit for 5-10 minutes. Scrub inside with a brush and flush to clean.

\*Note: Oxygen Boost is a powder that is safe, if used as directed. It is EWG verified which is their highest rating. However, since it is a powder, it is important that pouring or using the powder is done in a way that avoids breathing in the powder. All powders are considered potential respiratory irritants. Also, we recommend

that you use gloves if you will be scrubbing or will be in contact with the wetted powder for a period of time. We do NOT recommend using Oxygen Boost on or with the following materials: wool, wool blends, silk, silk blends, leather or fabrics labeled dry clean only.



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## **Documents / Resources**



**BRANCH BASICS Premium Starter Kit** [pdf] User Guide Premium Starter Kit, Starter Kit, Kit

## References

- Branch Basics Non-Toxic Cleaning Products
- User Manual

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