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Clean: The Humble Art Of Zen-Cleansing





Synopsis

Itâ ™s easier than you think to clean your home in a nontoxic, environmentally responsible way! Conceptualized and designed by legendary publishing visionary Joost Elffers—the force behind such bestsellers as Play With Your Food and The 48 Laws of Power—this wonderful guide will help get your house shipshape without hurting the environment or your health. Inspirational cleaning guru Michael de Jong writes with humor and a Zen-like spirit as he presents five safe, all-natural products that take care of just about anything: Baking Soda, Borax, Lemon, Salt, and White Vinegar. Each one gets a chapter featuring dozens of clever tips, while a handy alphabetized directory, organized by category, makes it easy to locate the information you need. With its graphically stunning and easy-to-use design, Clean helps you find your spic-and-span center.

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do the world a favor, buy this wonderful book, and use the amazingly effective and safe cleaning solutions to everyday messes. Mr. de Jong helps us learn the "green" way without preaching...his methods are practical, and his humor shines as bright as my now-clean windows! a must for anyone who cares about a healthy, non-toxic environment...a perfect gift for someone just getting married, having a baby, or just wanting to breath easily in their own homes....can't recommend this book too highly!!!.

It's rare that you find a book that you can really use in your everyday routine but this is the book. My drain is unclogged and my whites are whiter and I didn't have to spend more money on products that seem to get "updated" and "improved" every minute. The information in this book is saving me so much money and it is well worth the cost for the wealth of this advice. This comes from a true sucker for all those "convenient" household products with their pretty packaging and phony scents. This book is a testament that true convenience is not only inexpensive, its also responsible.

In my otherwise everything-in-its-right-place home, I've stopped putting this book away. It now lives on my kitchen table. The chart at the front of the book serves as a quick referance for the needed ingredients to clean just about anything. Recipes are simple yet effective. If you have allergies, children, pets or just want to save oodles of cash buy this book. Want proof? Look at my shopping list:Borax \$6.29Lemon Juice \$1.24Vinegar \$3.87Salt \$1.99Baking Soda \$1.09 ---- \$14.48 ----Versus what I didn't have to buy: Windex \$3.79CLR \$6.89Fantastic \$4.19Tilex \$5.19Conoisseurs Jewlery Cleaner \$5.85All Detergent \$8.99 ---- \$34.90 ----(...not to mention the shower spray, littler box deodorizer, stove surface cleaner, bleach, Resolve spot remover, Woolite, etc...)

"Clean" is a true gem. When I first read the book I thought to myself sure, sure baking soda and lemon is going to do the job of the store bought cleansers I've been using for years. Well imagine my surprise when I gave it a half-hearted whirl and soon found myself surrounded by a wonderfully fresh and spotlessly glistening bathroom and kitchen. And here is the part I really enjoyed, that overbearing scent of the cleanser I normally use wasn't there. I'm sold. I've mixed up my own batches of cleansers, refer to the book on a regular basis and am converted. Thanks to Michael DeJong's book not only is my home bright and clean and I am saving money but I can help save the environment.

This book is not only very helpful, it is easy to read. I keep it handy in my house and refer to it all the time. The layout is great so it is easy to open up and find the relevant section. As we all seem to be becoming more "green", this is a great resource to be kinder to the environment and keep chemicals out of our homes. The best part is, these solutions really work!! I don't even buy windex anymore!

This book is a must have for anyone with babies, kids, and anyone who doesn't like the idea of having hundreds of chemicals all over your home and clothes. These are naturally proven ways to

I keep a copy of this book on my coffee table in my country house. I always enjoy it when my guests are curious and I can share this precious gem of a book with them. The author is genuine and exremely knowledgeable. I have incorporated several of the recipies and they work without hurting me or our planet. I have purchased several copies to give to friends when I visit their homes.

Someone gave me this book right before my daughter was born. With it I have been able to get rid of my harsh chemical cleaners. With little hands trying to get into every cabinet, its a relief that i don't have bottles of "pretty colored" windex and fabuloso under the sink. Its amazing what a little vinegar and bakingsoda will do! And DeJong gives you the right advice to use them quickly and effectively. I spilled wine on a dress and this book helped me get it out. The book is also really beautifully designed. I actually leave it on my coffee table, where its a great conversation starter.

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