

12 Stains of Summer

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Tomato Sauce

There's nothing worse than an onion, mustard and tomato sauce landslide off the top of your freshly-fried BBQ sausage. If your tomato sauce makes its way to the carpet and leaves a stain, don't stress! Here's the solution:

Use a blunt knife or spoon to carefully scrape up the bulk of the tomato sauce from the carpet's surface. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Spot Remover and grab a clean cloth, work from the outside in to remove the stain and spread it any further.

For best results hire a Rug Doctor machine and hand tool, put the Rug Doctor Carpet Cleaner in the machine, pre-treat the stain with Spot Remover, then use the hand tool on the affected area.

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Recommended Products



Spot Remover & Carpet Cleaner

Difficulty to Remove



Medium

Dirty Footprints

Whether it's the pets or the kids running around your backyard or splashing in the pool, getting everyone to clean or dry off their feet before coming inside can be a challenge in itself.

Leave the dirt to dry, then using a household vacuum cleaner, vacuum up the loose debris before attempting to get rid of the dirt/mud. Use a soft brush to gently agitate, lightly spray Rug Doctor Spot Remover to the area, then use a clean damp cloth working from the edge of the stain towards the centre to remove.

We recommend regularly cleaning your high traffic areas, especially if you have adventurous kids or wear shoes inside. Hire the Rug Doctor machine and use the Rug Doctor Carpet Cleaner to make the carpets look new again!



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Recommended Products



Spot Remover & Carpet Cleaner

Difficulty to Remove



Easy to Medium

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Recommended
Products

Difficulty to
Remove

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Upholstery Cleaner &
Stain Remover



Medium to
Difficult

Coffee Spills

If you're looking to drive around New Zealand, you're probably going to need coffee. Here's what to do if you drop your cup mid road trip.

Immediately lay down paper towels or anything close by e.g. your least favourite t-shirt to absorb liquids (this part is absolutely key, don't rub the stain, you need to absorb the majority of the coffee). Once you are home from your road trip use the Rug Doctor Stain Remover and follow the instructions on the bottle. Tough coffee stains might need more than one treatment to be completely removed.

For the ultimate clean up after a big road trip, hire a Rug Doctor machine and hand tool, and use the Upholstery Cleaner. (TIP: if your drink had milk in it, use Rug Doctor Spot Remover instead)



Recommended
Product

Difficulty to
Remove

4



Spot Remover



Medium

Melted Chocolate

Melted chocolate is an anytime-of-the-year snack, but during the summer time, those little pieces of chocolate quickly turn to liquid in your hands.

If you've got kids, this will be even more of a problem as that melted chocolate will make its way onto your carpet and upholstery every time!

Scoop off the majority of the chocolate carefully using a blunt knife. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Spot Remover.

You'll need a soft brush to gently agitate and a clean cloth to dampen with warm water, then work from the edge of the stain towards the centre.

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Ice Cream

As the sun shines and the temperature rises, ice cream starts to move away from an after dinner dessert to an all-day tasty treat.

If you find yourself having to stop a run-a-way ice cream from leaving a mark, here's how to go about it.

Scoop off the solids carefully using a blunt knife or spoon. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Spot Remover. Use a clean damp cloth working from the edge of the stain towards the centre.

We recommend also hiring a Rug Doctor machine and hand tool to completely remove that sticky mess and use Odour Remover to get rid of any unwanted smells.

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Recommended Products



Spot Remover & Odour Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Easy to Medium

Dog Pee

Maybe you've got yourself a new puppy or maybe you're on a long road trip and you don't quite realise your furry friend needs to go number one until it's a little too late.

Never fear, if this happens to you, here's how you can clean it up.

Lay down paper towels to absorb liquids. Do not press hard or scrub. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Stain Remover (plus Rug Doctor Odour Remover if it smells). Follow instructions on the bottle.

We recommend hiring a Rug Doctor as dog pee and urine are acidic and can discolour fabric and carpets if not cleaned immediately. This will insure all pee and smells are gone!

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Recommended Products



Stain Remover & Odour Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Easy to Medium

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Beer & Wine

Everyone loves celebrating summer with friends and family, accompanied by delicious dinners and drinks. However, there's always someone who enjoys themselves a little too much. If you find your carpet looking like a crime scene, here's how to get it looking spotless.

Lay down paper towels to absorb liquids. Do not press hard or scrub. Lightly spray the correct Rug Doctor pre-treaters (Spot Remover for Red Wine & Beer or Stain Remover for White Wine).

Then use a clean damp cloth to work into the centre of the stain or go over with the Rug Doctor machine and hand tool attachment to suck everything out, (use in machine Rug Doctor Carpet Cleaner).

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Recommended Products



Spot Remover or Stain Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Medium

Fake Tan

If you've grown up in NZ, you'll be familiar with the saying "slip, slop, slap and wrap". With the incredibly strong sunshine here that gives us those long, hot days we dream about all year round, it's always important to be sun safe.

Often, being sun safe, means applying fake tan rather than relying on the UV rays! If you manage to accidentally tan not only your own skin, but turn the carpet a nice shade of brown - here's how to fix it!

Lay down paper towels to absorb liquids. Do not press hard or scrub. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Stain Remover. Use a clean cloth, dampen with warm water and work from the edge of the stain towards the centre.



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Recommended Product



Stain Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Easy

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Soft Drinks

Picture this: you've been out on the beach all day and it's time to head home. Once you get back, there's nothing you want more than to crack open an ice-cold can of Coca-Cola.

You hear that satisfying noise of the can opening, and suddenly... you drop the entire contents of the can right onto the white carpet in the lounge.

Never fear! You can get rid of the stain, but act immediately.

Lay down paper towels to absorb liquids. Do not press hard or scrub. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Stain Remover. Use a clean cloth, dampen with warm water and work from the edge of the stain towards the centre.

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Recommended Product



Stain Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Easy

Water Based Paint

Summer time in New Zealand means the 6-week school holiday break, which in turn, means entertaining the kids. You might have the next little Picasso on your hands, ready to make his or her fortune as a painting, but sometimes that creativity spills off the canvas and onto the carpet.

To get your carpet back to its original colour, scoop off the solids carefully using a blunt knife or spoon. Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Spot Remover. Follow the instructions on the bottle, working a clean cloth from the edge of the stain towards the centre.

You may need to repeat the process to remove all paint or hire a Rug Doctor machine and hand tool depending how artistic the kids were.

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Recommended Product



Spot Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Medium to Difficult

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Vomit from Road Sickness

New Zealand roads can be winding and bumpy. The good news for those who suffer from a little motion sickness, if you do have an accident, it's easy to clean up following these steps:

Scoop out the majority of the vomit carefully using a spoon. Lightly spray Rug Doctor Stain Remover, use a soft brush to gently agitate, then use a clean cloth, dampen with warm water working from the edge of the stain towards the centre.

For best results hire a Rug Doctor machine with the hand tool and add Rug Doctor Odour Remover with the Carpet or Upholstery solution to remove unwanted smells.

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Recommended Products



Stain Remover & Odour Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Medium



BBQ Food Grease

The sound of a sizzling BBQ goes hand-in-hand with a classic Kiwi summer. But what doesn't go hand-in-hand, are stray bits of meat, somehow finding themselves on the floor rather than on a plate where they belong.

Never fear, if this happens to you, this is how you can clean up the mess.

Lightly spray the Rug Doctor Spot Remover, use a clean cloth and with warm water work from the edge of the stain towards the centre.

If the oil/grease are still visible hire the Rug Doctor machine and hand tool for best results.

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Recommended Product



Spot Remover

Difficulty to Remove



Medium to Difficult

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