



Day 21: Clean GREENER

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My Household's Cleaning Products





Product Names and Brands

- 409 Multi-Surface Cleaner
- Soft Scrub Total All Purpose Cleaner
- Holloway House Floor Finish
- Whink Cook-top Cleaner
- Bright Green Furniture Polish
- Signature Home Glass Cleaner
- Tree Spirit Mineral Oil
- Weiman Stainless Steel Cleaner
- Sprayway Glass Cleaner
- Easy-Off Oven Cleaner
- SC Johnson No Buff Floor Wax
- Febreze Allergen Reducer
- Kleen King Stainless Steel Cleaner
- Murphy Wood Floor Cleaner
- Bona Wood Polish
- Trader Joe's Multi-Purpose Cleaner
- Ty-D-Boi Bathroom Cleaner
- 365 All-Purpose Cleaner



409 Antibacterial Kitchen All-Purpose Cleaner



Three Health Impacts:

- High Concern of damage to respiratory system (Asthma)
- Moderate Concern of damage to nervous system
- Moderate Concern of damage to general organs/organ health

Ingredients:

Active Ingredients: Alkyl Dimethyl Benzyl Ammonium Chlorides (C12-16), Ethanolamine, Propylene Glycol Propyl Ether, Other

Retail Price: \$5.99

Product Rating: F

Top Three Ingredients:

- Alkyl Dimethyl Benzyl Ammonium Chlorides (C12-16)

Rating: F

- Ethanolamine

Rating: F

- Propylene Glycol Propyl Ether

Rating: C



The Greener Alternative: AspenClean Kitchen Cleaner



Ingredients:

Cocamidopropyl Betaine, Citrus Aurantium Bergamia Fruit Oil, Citrus Grandis Peel Oil, Coco-Glucoside, Water, Sodium Citrate, Sodium Carbonate, Alcohol Denatured, Potassium Citrate, Potassium Hydroxide, Citric Acid

Retail Price: \$12.99

I will make the switch from 409 to AspenClean. Cleaning products with harmful chemicals in them are very hazardous to our health. Below is an amazon review I found when I was looking at the price of 409. I completely agree with this user and believe that while the companies know their products are harmful, they still do nothing to help consumers.



I bought the anti-bacterial by mistake, as I have concerns about the harm that results from wiping out too much flora. I only mention this because of the overly noxious fumes from this product that seems to be worse than the same product without the lemon and/or without the anti-bacterial chemicals. It gave me headaches for 2 days after using it in bathrooms and closets where ventilation was limited. Opening windows or even blowing a small fan where you are working eliminates that problem. I am also disappointed that it takes 3 times the amount of cleaner to clean stuff than it did even a decade ago, hence the more lingering noxious fumes. (Planned obsolescence, perhaps?)

Why only 3-stars, then? Because the product, while better than the rest, still has the aforementioned flaws that could be minimized or eliminated if the company had the mindful will to do so. I'm hopeful that they want to be as mindful of health and environment as they need to be. After all, it's THEIR planet too.

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