

— Home Essential Guide —

# FOR First-Time Homeowners



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# Abstract

As a first-time homeowner in Perth, setting up your home with the right essentials is key to comfort and functionality. Start with basic furniture like a bed, sofa, dining table, and chairs. Stock your kitchen with cookware, utensils, and appliances such as a kettle, toaster, and microwave. Invest in cleaning supplies, including an all-purpose cleaner, mop, vacuum, and dustpan. Add basic tools like a hammer, screwdriver set, and tape measure for minor repairs. Don't forget safety items such as smoke detectors, a first-aid kit, and fire extinguisher. Personalize your space with décor, lighting, and soft furnishings for a welcoming touch

## 1. Introduction

Moving into your first home in Perth is an exciting milestone, but it can feel overwhelming as you decide what essentials are needed to create a functional and comfortable space. A well-thought-out home essentials guide can simplify the process, helping you prioritize items and avoid unnecessary purchases. From key furniture and appliances to cleaning tools and safety equipment, having the right items will make settling into your Perth home much easier. This guide is tailored for first-time homeowners in Perth, offering practical tips and a checklist to ensure a smooth transition and set the foundation for a cozy and organized home.

## 2. Must-Have Kitchen Features to Add Storage and Style

Enhance the look and functionality of your kitchen in Perth with a few must-have kitchen features. Smart storage solutions, specialty appliances, and other upgrades can have a major impact without requiring a huge investment. Incorporate a few of these cool kitchen ideas into your design to boost organization, convenience, and style.

### **Narrow Pull-Out Drawer**

Sneak in storage with narrow pull-out drawers between cabinets or appliances. The slim kitchen cabinet feature allows you to make the most of a sliver of space alongside your range or at the end of the island. This pull-out drawer includes divided storage containers for utensils and shelves with guards that help keep spice jars in place.

### **Pet-Friendly Kitchen Cabinet Features**

Your pet is an important part of the family, so ensure your kitchen design meets their needs, too. Consider built-in storage solutions for pet food, dishes, beds, and more. Here, dog dishes slide out from the island during feeding times but otherwise remain out of the way.

### **Wine Refrigerator**

Stash your favorite vino at the ideal temperature with a wine refrigerator. Available in a variety of sizes, these specialty appliances can provide a safe and stylish storage area for any wine lover's collection. Integrate this kitchen feature into an island or lower cabinetry for a seamless look.



### **Steam Oven**

Steam ovens create a moist cooking environment that eliminates the need for added oils. Because the steam heats food at a lower temperature than traditional ovens, this also helps preserve heat-sensitive nutrients for healthier roasting and baking. Offering fast, tender-crisp results, a steam oven can be a convenient, health-conscious alternative to a microwave.

### **Built-In Refrigerator**

Built-in appliances give your kitchen a smooth, integrated look. In this remodeled kitchen, the refrigerator is nestled into custom cabinetry, which provides storage directly above and to the side of the fridge. The stainless steel finish ties in with the professional-style range and hood on the other wall. Design tip: Balance the look of stainless-steel appliances with a vintage-look rug (like this Better Homes & Gardens Blue Persian Non-Skid Runner Rug, \$35, Walmart).

### **Double Ovens**

Typically stacked and built directly into perimeter cabinetry, double ovens provide a sleek look and added convenience. This kitchen feature offers a main oven you can use without bending over and a secondary oven for plate warming and additional baking. Separating the ovens from the burners also lets you install a cooktop in a kitchen island or elsewhere, opening up new floor-plan possibilities.

### **High-Style Faucet**

Kitchen faucets are made in dozens of finishes in myriad styles and sizes, so you can easily find one that suits your aesthetic. Offering double the style, these two kitchen faucets take full advantage of the extra-wide sink. The shiny brass finish and streamlined shapes repeat on cabinetry hardware and sconces above the sink for a cohesive look.

### **Island Cooktop**

With ovens located elsewhere, the cooktop can be placed on the kitchen island. When this kitchen feature is built into a large island, you also get generous work surfaces and room for amenities below, such as a warming drawer or storage for pots and pans. Opt for a statement-making range hood or install a downdraft exhaust system for a more streamlined look.

### **Ample Kitchen Lighting**

Outfit a kitchen with layers of light and consider multiple fixtures to cover every area. Recessed ceiling fixtures offer ambient light that fills the room. Pendant lights can provide style and task lighting (try this Better Homes & Gardens Clear Glass Wall Light, \$39, Walmart) above an island or sink. Don't forget under-cabinet lights for proper task lighting on every countertop.

### **Bar Sink**

A secondary sink can be a functional addition to a large kitchen or in an adjacent pantry area. Often smaller than the main sink, it provides a convenient spot to rinse vegetables, ice down drinks, or fill a pot with water. Consider a bar sink for a second prep station, a butler's pantry, home theater, or basement rec room.

### **Trash and Recycling**

Make life easier by planning a handy trash and recycling area. Incorporate separate bins or containers for sorting recyclables, compost, and other waste. Consider installing this kitchen feature under the sink, in a pantry, or in a handy pull-out drawer.

### **Pot Filler**

Eliminate the need for hauling heavy pots of water across the kitchen. A pot filler is a smart kitchen feature that can go wherever you can run a cold water line. Here, a swing-out faucet is mounted high enough on the kitchen backsplash to provide a flow of water to a big pot of pasta or soup.

### **Coffee Bar**

Transform a kitchen alcove into a home coffee station for a bright start to your mornings. This small coffee bar includes an espresso machine, a drip coffee maker, and storage for mugs and saucers. Use nearby drawers or shelves to house coffee grounds, sugar, stirring spoons, and other essentials. A narrow spot like this provides dedicated functionality out of the way of the main cooking area.

### **On-Counter Garage**

Use an on-counter garage to house appliances you often use but don't always want in plain sight. Here, an appliance garage opens to reveal a coffee maker, which can be pulled out onto the counter space in front when in use. An outlet inside the cabinet keeps cords contained.

### **Corner Storage**

Consider kitchen features that take advantage of space that would otherwise be wasted. This corner lazy Susan, for example, turns potentially dead space into usable storage. The unit's two-tiered carousel shelving allows easy access to stowed items, such as mixing bowls and air-tight storage containers (we like this Better Homes & Gardens Flip-Tite Rectangular Storage Container, \$10, Walmart).

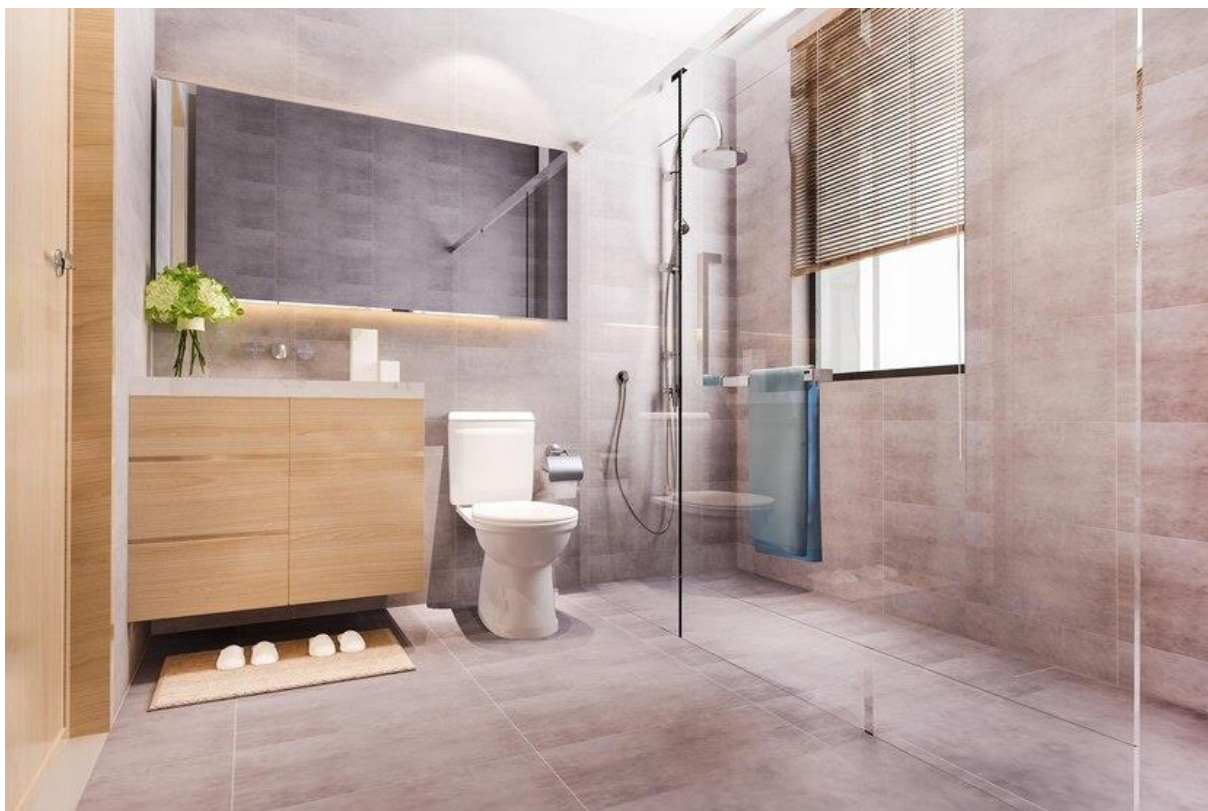
### **Deep Drawers**

A deep drawer near the kitchen range provides easy access to large pots and pans. Here, a spacious drawer houses cookware directly beneath the cooktop. A shallow pull-out within the drawer holds lids that correspond to the cookware below.

#### **Full Extension Drawers**

Hardware that allows drawers to slide open all the way makes it much easier to get objects in and out. Look for full extension drawer hardware when you're shopping for new cabinetry or upgrading what you have. Drawers with high sides and backs can keep stacks of items neat and orderly.

### **3. Things Every Bathroom Needs, According to Interior Designers**



Our bathrooms are truly our sanctuaries. Whether you're taking a relaxing bath or, if you're a parent, perhaps the bathroom is the only place where you can be alone. So, what do you need to make your bathroom a more aesthetic and efficient place?

Surprisingly, it's not the big things like marble tile or a soaking tub that make the difference, but rather a few subtle touches. Here are eight things that every bathroom needs, according to interior designers.

#### **Handheld Showerhead**

Interior designer Jack Ovadia of Ovadia Design Group says every bathroom needs a handheld shower. He explains, "This makes life easier by seamlessly blending functionality with style. It also provides an easy way to clean your shower and bathe kids or pets when needed."

This is a fairly easy switch most of the time and doesn't require a great deal of plumbing knowledge. All you need to do is remove your old showerhead and swap it out. If you're truly worried, hire someone to help or watch a video on YouTube.

### **Countertop Organization**

Whether you're a beauty junkie or just like to keep out a few products like soap dispensers or moisturizers, Ovadia says having organizers on hand is a must for every bathroom. "Keep your bathroom neat and tidy with organizers that provide designated spaces for toiletries and essentials," says Ovadia.

However, according to interior designer Emma Beryl, that doesn't mean you need to use those clear plastic organizers. Beryl loves ceramic canisters—they're sophisticated-looking and add a little more character to your bathroom countertop.

A small but decorative serving tray you may already have at home can also do the trick.

### **Plush Towels**

No matter your decorating style, Beryl says every bathroom needs plush towels. "Having a super soft towel after a shower feels like a much-needed hug. Pottery Barn's classic organic towels are amazing and come in all sizes and great classic colors."

Don't forget to add a monogram to give your towels a more personal look. Even just monogramming your hand towels can make a big difference.

### **Robe Hook**

Simple and easy to install, Ovadia says every bathroom needs a robe hook. "A well-placed robe hook near the shower or bath is not only convenient but keeps your robe within easy reach, helping to avoid any unnecessary dampness throughout the bathroom."

Whether it's a simple piece of hardware or something more ornate and decorative, it's a smart touch.

### **Exhaust Fan**

There's nothing worse than a damp or steamy bathroom that never gets dry. "An efficient exhaust fan is crucial for ventilating moisture and preventing mold growth in the bathroom," reveals Ovadia.

If you don't have one or can't add one because you rent your home, opening the window while showering or taking a bath can get the job done.

### **Good Lighting**

Ovadia says, "Proper lighting from sconces or integrated mirror lights enhances visibility and adds an elegant touch to your bathroom. Sconces on either side of the mirror create a warm and inviting ambiance, while integrated mirror lights bring a modern aesthetic."

Beryl is also a fan of sconces. "Having an alternative to overhead lighting is not only good for ambiance, it is practical for avoiding the shadows that overhead downlights can cause."

### **Electric Outlets**

Whether you need to charge your electric toothbrush, blow out your hair, or plug in your phone, a bathroom without enough outlets (or poorly placed ones) can feel frustrating and inefficient.



Ovadia advises having one above the counter by the sink as well as one inside the medicine cabinet. “Installing outlets inside the medicine closet provides a hidden solution for charging devices while maintaining a clean and uncluttered aesthetic,” he explains.

#### **Toilet Paper Holder with a Small Shelf**

Let’s admit it—we all check our phones while using the toilet. Ovadia advises swapping out your current toilet paper holder for one with a top shelf for your phone. While this may sound fancy and expensive, there are inexpensive yet aesthetic options available from Amazon.

## **4. Living Room Accessories That Upgrade Your Space**



Decorating your living room is a multi-step process that involves a lot of big decisions about everything from selecting paint or wallpaper to adding rugs and window treatments, deciding on the best furniture placement and layout, and choosing lighting. But interior designers and home makeover show enthusiasts alike know that it's the small details that make a space come to life.

Check out these 21 tips for styling your living room with accessories—everything from candles to dried flowers to textiles and decorative objects—that will elevate your decor and transform your living room into the most comfortable, inviting, beautiful and lived in room in the house.

#### **Tree**

In this living room from interior designer Alvin Wayne, a palette of white and wood tones is given a boost by the addition of a tall tree that brings in a natural element, a bit of color, and a feel-good effect that never gets old. Choosing one large potted tree or plant instead of lots of small ones is easier to

maintain and creates a bold visual impact. If your living room is light challenged or your thumb is less than green, there's no shame in considering a quality fake tree. Be sure to regularly dust or gently wipe leaves clean with a damp cloth to keep real and fake trees looking their best.

### **Amber Glass**

Blogger Mandi Johnson from A Beautiful Mess lifted her neutral-toned living room with an amber blown glass vase on her live edge wood coffee table that catches the light and glows like the sun. Depending on your color preferences, you can also opt for a green glass Dame Jeanne or a cobalt blue vase.

### **Dried Plants and Flowers**

Along with the craze for houseplants, dried plants and flowers have become newly trendy in recent years. Dried flowers and plants like the popular pampas grass seen in this living room from interior designer and Emily Henderson Design contributor Velinda Hellen are inexpensive, low maintenance, more eco-friendly alternatives to living plants. Be sure to dust them regularly to keep them looking good, and recycle them properly when their time has come.

### **Wall Baskets**

Hanging lightweight and inexpensive woven baskets on the wall of a living room is an easy way to add interest and warmth without spending a lot of money or making the sometimes daunting commitment of buying a piece of framed art. In this casually chic living room from interior designer Ashley Peterson of The Lifestyled Home, a trio of baskets coordinates well with the wood tones, throw pillows, and leafy green fiddle-leaf fig tree.

### **Coffee Table Books**

Coffee table books are classic living room accessories for a reason. They are beautiful, escapist, and give you something to browse while you are relaxing on the couch, or a way to occupy guests waiting for their drinks. In this living room from interior designer and Emily Henderson Design contributor Ajai Guyot, a small stack of coffee table books matches the sepia tones of the living room design. But you can also use coffee table books to add a random dose of color to a neutral room.

### **Candles**

Candlelight has a primitive appeal that adds instant ambiance to the living room, whether you are partial to scented candles in glass jars, votive candles, hurricane lamp candles, LED flame pillar candles, or old school candlesticks with taper candles as seen in this retro-inspired living room design from Emily Henderson Design contributor Ryann Miller. When using LED candles, use rechargeable batteries to save money and prevent waste, and look for eco-friendly ingredients and natural scents when buying conventional candles.

### **Textural Throw Pillows**

A pile of fluffy Moroccan handira wedding blanket throw pillows makes this living room from interior designer Jenn Pablo of Jenn Pablo Studio more visually interesting, comfortable, and cozy. When choosing throw pillows, think about adding varying fabrics, patterns, and shapes to add texture to the room design.





### **Stacked Mirrors and Framed Art**

The living room mantel is an endless blank canvas that can be styled for the holidays or changed with the seasons. If you enjoy an effortlessly layered look, try stacking an assortment of framed art against a leaning mirror and add some greenery for good measure, like this design from interior designer Kate Marker of Kate Marker Interiors.

### **Blanket Ladder**

One of the coziest accessories you can add to the living room is a throw blanket. While one throw blanket can add softness to a couch or armchair, like the chunky knitted wool blanket seen in this living room from interior designer Emily Henderson of Emily Henderson Design, adding enough blankets for everyone in the house can look messy and cluttered. You can solve that problem by leaning a lightweight blanket ladder against the wall where you can store extra folded blankets when not in use. And in warm weather months, you can leave the ladder empty or use it as a place to store magazines or decorate it with LED fairy lights or dried flowers

### **Vintage Wall Sculpture**

In this living room from interior designer Erin Williamson of Erin Williamson Design, a striking Curtis Jere wall sculpture adds retro charm that glows against the bright turquoise wall. You can source original vintage midcentury wall sculptures as well as more affordable reproductions online or with local shops that specialize in midcentury design.

### **Glass Cloche**

In this living room from interior designer Becca Casey of Becca Interiors, a glass cloche holds a luxurious Cire Trudon candle to keep dust at bay and scents under wraps until lit. But you can make anything

look more elegant and special by placing it under a glass cloche, from dried flowers to figurines to a string of LED lights to Christmas ball decorations to any other tchotchkes that make your heart sing.

### **Wall Hanging**

The wall above the sofa is prized living room real estate that demands a statement piece. Hanging a colorful or textural wall hanging over the couch is an effortless way to add character to the living room, whether it's a trendy macrame or woven wall hanging, a vintage quilt, or a colorful fabric wall hanging like this one from interior designer Alvin Wayne.

### **Natural Wood**

It's no surprise that in an increasingly digital, virtual, tech-driven world, our interiors have become more focused on natural materials and sensual, organic forms that make us feel calm, grounded, and connected to nature. In this sophisticated but down-to-earth living room from interior designer Carol Estes, textured walls, leather, and wood tones create a soothing natural vibe. A polished wood stump occasional table adds a nod to nature that puts a smile on everyone's face and will never go out of style.

### **A Colorful Throw**

In a neutral room, color is an accessory that you can add in small, powerful doses in the guise of bold throw pillows or brightly colored throw blankets like this mustard number from interior designer Emily Henderson of Emily Henderson Design.

## **5. Fifteen Wellness Must-Haves For The Home**

As life finally gets to some semblance of normality, it's fair to state we've collectively become more aware of the importance of health and wellness due to the pandemic. This goes far beyond standards like home gyms, mud rooms and hand washing. Rather, it's about creating an environment at home that's part of a holistic approach to a more optimal lifestyle. All you need is willingness and the right products.

From more "woo woo" essentials like crystals to salt lamps and mindfully created pottery, here are fifteen wellness must-haves for the home.

### **Ali Levine X Taja Smudge Kit**

Celebrity stylist and Mompreneur Ali Levine recently collaborated with Taja to create a beautiful smudge kit that includes palo santo, sage, lavender, selenite, agate, fluorite, amethyst, and rose quartz. It comes in a chic midi vase featuring affirmations on each side. This kit has everything you need to create a joyous, peaceful home, relieve stress, and increase high vibes. Choose from a black or white vase.

"My intention for creating this smudge kit was to empower all of us, especially moms to love on ourselves, give grace and keep positive vibes," Levine tells me. "Especially after the pandemic, it's so important we love on ourselves! I know for myself as a mama, I have to constantly remind myself to love on myself, and how important it is."

### **State Of Being Affirmation Candles**

State of Being Affirmation Candles are perfect for anyone who wants to take their affirmation practice to another level. There are five scents/affirmations to choose from: Worthy, Radiant, Resilient, Daring,

and Free. These aren't just candles designed to burn and smell good— they can actually improve emotional well-being. Here's how to use them: as you state the affirmation, smell the candle and think the affirming thought. This increases the mind/body connection, amplifying the thought, which your brain will associate with the scent as the candle continues to burn.



### **Les Loups Witch Please Candles**

Les Loups Witch Please Candles are Reiki-charged candles created to help manifest spiritual energy. They are poured by Reiki Masters only on new moons, full moons, and during lunar and solar eclipses. Six scents, each supporting a different intention are available including Love, Grounding, Abundance, New Beginnings, Connection with Spiritual Guides, and Protection.

### **Serena Loves Aura Cleansing Mist With Pure Organic Bulgarian Rose Water**

Created by chef and reiki master Serena Poon, this Aura Cleansing Mist is an ideal way to refresh your home, body, and spirit. Made with a blend of crystals, a spritz or two of this lightly scented rose water is a great way to create positive energy after the presence of negative energy, a challenging day, or just when you need a bit of a spiritual reset.

### **Blissy Silk Pillowcase**

It's not a secret that a good night's sleep is essential for wellness. The Blissy Silk Pillowcase has many benefits including keeping your body cooler as well as helping your skin and hair retain moisture. Made from 100 percent pure mulberry silk, these Oeko-Tex certified pillowcases are available in standard, king, and queen sizes. Choose from a variety of colors and patterns including White, Black, Lavender, and even Tie Dye. They're also machine washable, which is far healthier than exposing yourself to dangerous dry cleaning chemicals.

### **Pottery Barn Airstream Mendocino Striped Organic Cotton Comforter And Shams**

On the topic of sleep, there's nothing that feels better than sleeping on high-quality, soft bedding such as Pottery Barn Airstream Mendocino Striped Organic Cotton Comforter and Shams. Made of 100 percent organic cotton, it is Oeko-Tex and fair trade certified, so it comes with an extra dose of good karma. This fluffy comforter with stylish stripes can easily integrate into most style bedrooms.

### **Voesh Vitamin C Shower Filter**

Are you having hair and skin issues from hard water? Fret no more with the Voesh Vitamin C Shower Filter. Vitamin C is known for removing chlorine and other impurities to help clean and condition your skin. This filter also has vegan probiotics and oatmeal powder to help rejuvenate the skin. Five different scents are available including Rainforest, Citrus, and Lavender. It's almost like going to a spa. Using this filter makes showering a true act of self-care.

### **Pottery With A Purpose**

Mindfulness meets decor with Pottery For A Purpose. Great for children and adults alike, different kits are available with a choice of either air dry or ceramic clay. Each kit comes with instructions, tools, and paint as well as a plantable wildflower seed coaster. You can make either a hanging planter, footed pot, or your own unique decor piece. Not only are there benefits from the mindfulness aspect of pottery creation, but there is true enjoyment in using what you've created yourself.

### **Verilux HappyLight Therapy Lamps**

Does your home or office lack natural light? Or are you too busy to leave the house to take a walk and get your daily dose of natural sunlight? This can certainly impact your mood. Fortunately, Verilux Happy Light Therapy Lamps can easily remedy this problem. Designed to help increase energy, sleep, and focus, these lamps mimic the sunlight without UV rays. These lamps don't take up too much space and can easily stay on your desk or stored in a drawer when you are finished.

### **Pure Daily Care Himalayan Pink Salt Diffuser**

Himalayan Pink Salt is a great way to purify and clean the air. A more decorative alternative to a salt lamp, the Pure Daily Care Himalayan Pink Salt Diffuser is beautifully designed with a wood-like finish that's perfect for mid century modern to modern and contemporary design schemes. This two-in-one heatless diffuser atomizes essential oils. It even comes with ten different bottles. A separate chamber holds two pounds of raw Himalayan salt crystals, which are also included.

## **6. Essential Cleaning Supplies Every Home Should Have**

Maintaining a clean, sterile and organised home requires consistency, the right methods, energy and proper cleaning supplies. With all the necessary tools, cleaning solvents and agents, you can dislodge buildup grime, dust, stubborn stains, grease and germs from almost all surfaces. Moreover, it can save time and energy while boosting cleaning efficiency in the long run

Some supplies can help you remove mould stains, while others can reach tight nooks and crannies to fetch gunk and debris, making your life easier. However, choosing the right set of tools and products can take time due to the availability of a wide range of options on the market. You need to think wisely

and make money-saving decisions when preparing your household cleaning caddy. Instead of overspending unnecessarily, focus on tools that can bring efficiency to your schedule

Here is a list of 10 essential cleaning supplies every home should have. Create a checklist and stock up on all the items for your next deep clean, especially when moving out of a rental property in Perth.



Let's Get Started!

### **1. All-Purpose Cleaner**

Instead of using chemically laden store-bought cleaning products, prepare a homemade all-purpose cleaner using natural and non-toxic ingredients. All you need is 1 cup of white vinegar, 1 cup of warm water, 1 tablespoon of dishwashing soap liquid, and 10 drops of your favourite essential oil. Mix and pour into a spray bottle, and you are ready with your first cleaning supply.

White vinegar works like magic in cutting through stubborn stains, rust, grime, calcium deposits, and mould from different surfaces. This single product can be used to clean windows, floors, walls, ceiling fans, kitchen appliances, bathroom fixtures, fittings, door tracks, etc.

However, Vacate Cleaning Perth professionals don't recommend vinegar or any acidic cleaning product on natural stone surfaces like marble, granite, limestone, etc. So, always test the product on an inconspicuous spot to prevent further damage.

### **2. Baking Soda: Grease Remover & Natural Deodoriser**

This is a must-have cleaning product that can do wonders in maintaining a clean, germ-free, and fresh-smelling home. Baking Soda has alkaline properties that can break down oil stains, caked-on gunk, and tough grease from porous and non-porous surfaces.

Prepare a thick paste or simply sprinkle over the affected areas to eliminate foul odours. The best part is that the combination of vinegar and baking soda can help you clean clogged kitchen drains and disinfect a garbage disposal. So, include this stable cleaning product in your caddy to maintain a clean and aromatic living space.

### **3. Microfiber Cloths and Mops**

Believe it or not, microfiber cloths are the most effective cleaning tools right now. They are sustainable, affordable, and versatile in terms of cleaning and absorbing dust, dirt, spills, and splatters. You can use a dry microfiber cloth to remove dust particles, pollen, and allergens from walls, fans, shelves, windows, countertops, and fixtures.

You can also remove excess water or blot stains from delicate flooring, such as carpets, rugs, upholstery furniture, and mattresses. Similarly, microfiber mops are great for floors. They use less water and cleaning products than cotton mops, which is necessary in today's eco-conscious era. Damp them in soapy water, squeeze out excess water, and clean your amtico flooring or hardwood surfaces.

### **4. Sponges for Cleaning Surfaces**

Sponges are one of the basic tools in the kitchen. A two-sided scrubbing sponge is great for washing dishes, cleaning stainless steel appliances, fixtures, and hard surfaces, and soaking up excess water, spills, and splatters from the surface.

A non-abrasive scrub sponge is ideal for cleaning scratch-prone surfaces like plastic. You can buy a super-popular Scrub Daddy tool from Amazon. When exposed to different water temperatures, it can change texture from soft to hard, leaving the spot sparkling clean. Microfiber or bamboo-based sponges can also help you clean surfaces like a pro.

### **5. A Rubber Squeegee**

Achieve shiny and streak-free windows and glass shower doors with this amazing cleaning tool. It can help you eliminate excess water and soap solution from tiles, glass surfaces and hard areas without leaving streaks or scratches behind. This can leave a great impression on your landlords when moving out of a rental property.

### **6. Telescopic Dusters to Clean Hard-to-Reach Spots**

Many vacate cleaning Perth experts use a telescopic duster to clean hard-to-reach areas, such as window casings, ceiling walls, top of the shelves, cabinets and cupboards. You must invest in a microfiber telescopic duster that can reach the heights and fetch cobwebs and insect marks and loose with ease. This can be a perfect tool for seniors and homemakers with mobility issues.

### **7. Assorted Scrub Brushes**

This is another essential cleaning tool that can help you tackle stubborn stains, buildup grease, and grime effectively and efficiently. A traditional scrub brush can be used on walls, tiles, bathroom fixtures, and other accessible surfaces.

For tight areas or spaces, repurpose your old toothbrush and save money. You can also invest in a drill scrub brush that can remove gunk from tiles, grout lines, window sills and door tracks without putting any effort.

Also, include a toilet brush for removing soap scum, rust stains and calcium deposits from the toilet bowl – nooks and crannies.





### **8. Magic Erasers For Tackling Smudges and Stains**

Magic erasers are environmentally friendly, super-effective, and affordable. They are made of melamine foam that can help you pick up stains and grime effectively. Use them to clean windows, sinks, areas around faucets, showerheads, and other dirt-laden surfaces with ease. You can also remove stains, scuff marks, smudges, and paint stains from walls and hardwood floors to maintain a clean and shiny abode.

Tip: Wet a magic eraser and scrub the surface using gentle hands. Rinse and repeat the process if required.

### **9. Vacuum Cleaner with a Suitable Brush Attachment**

Invest in a HEPA-filtered vacuum cleaner to maintain a clean, dust-free, hygienic indoor environment. It can pick dust, embedded debris, pet hair, pollen and other allergens from carpets, rugs, and upholstered furniture. Regular vacuuming with the right methods can improve the indoor air quality as well.

It is good to choose the right brush attachment that can pick up dirt and grime in no time. If you are buying a new one for your home, consider the following options:

Upright Vacuum Cleaners are perfect for cleaning wall-to-wall carpets and large upholstery furniture.

Canister Vacuums come with a separate dustbin, and you need to empty the bin after every use.

Robotic Vacuums are the most advanced cleaning gadgets. It has an inbuilt sensor technology to navigate the room and detect dust on floors, nooks and crannies.

## 10. Disinfecting Products

Disinfectants can kill lethal germs and bacteria from germiest spots, like door knobs, light switches, handles, faucets, pet bowls, floors, etc. Instead of using store-bought products, you can use rubbing alcohol to disinfect surfaces. First, clean the surface using an all-purpose cleaner and a scrubbing tool. Next, spray or apply a disinfectant and leave it for a few minutes to banish lingering germs and microbes.

These are 10 most essential cleaning supplies that will help you maintain a tidy, sparkling and hygienic indoor environment like a pro. You can add more tools and products to customise your cleaning caddy for effective and efficient housekeeping results

## 7. Conclusion

Creating a comfortable and functional home in Perth starts with having the right essentials. By focusing on furniture, appliances, cleaning tools, and safety items, you can ensure a smooth and stress-free transition into your new space. With thoughtful planning and the right choices, your Perth home will quickly become a welcoming sanctuary tailored to your needs and lifestyle.

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