

Table Linens

Cleaning up after a holiday feast can be especially hard on table linens. Follow these tips to keep yours looking good year after year.

Timely stain removal is important. Take your linens to your dry cleaner as soon as possible.

Candle wax: gently lift off larger pieces. Wash in the hottest water safe for the fabric.

Wine and coffee stains: lightly touch with absorbent towel to draw up excess liquid, or put paper towels underneath the spill; do not blot as it can spread the stain. After dinner, rinse in cool water, treat with a mild detergent and white vinegar.

Salad oil stains: cover a big spill at the table with absorbent powder; after dinner shake off and apply a mild detergent mixed with household ammonia ASAP. Wait 5-10 minutes and wash in the hottest water safe for the fabric.

Cranberry stains: Rinse with cool water and treat with a mild detergent and white vinegar before washing.