

Re: Chemically removing tea stains from china

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Maarten D. de Jong wrote:

- > *My girlfriend has a beautiful china tea pot which is proving very diffi-*
- > *cult to physically clean on the inside. As a result, there is an*
- > *increasing*
- > *amount of tea stains building up there. Is there a way to remove*
- > *these with*
- > *chemical means? Even a partial removal would be an improvement at*
- > *this stage.*
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- > *With kind regards,*
- > *Maarten*

Ordinary laundry chlorine bleach diluted with water works perfectly in few minutes. If the word chlorine bleach is sounding too toxic for food utensils, you can use oxygen bleaches (eg Oxi-Clean) but they require boiling water for effective action. Fill the pot with boiling water and add a half tea-spoon of oxygen bleach. It takes a longer time around 30 minutes to do the job. However there is no odor problem afterwards just as a chlorine bleach would leave.