



## Homemade Laundry Detergent

- 1 bar of Ivory soap, grated
- 1/2 cup borax
- 1/2 cup Arm & Hammer washing soda
- 32 cups of water
- Essential oils, if desired

Put six cups of water in a big pan and melt the grated soap, stirring constantly. Once the soap melts, add the borax and washing soda. Stir until dissolved. Remove from heat. Add four cups of hot water to your bucket, or other storage container. Pour the soap mix in. Stir well. Add 22 more cups of water to the bucket. Stir. Add a few drops of essential oils, if desired.

Let the detergent sit for about 24 hours to gel, stirring a few times as it cools to keep it from separating. Use 1/2 cup per load and wash as usual.