

Airbnb Deep Clean Checklist

A room-by-room printable checklist for 5-star cleanliness · STR Cribbs

The 5-Star Kitchen

- Clean the inside and outside of the microwave, removing and washing the turntable.
- Empty and clean the refrigerator, discarding expired items.
- Clean the dishwasher filter and run an empty cycle with a cleaning solution.
- Wipe down small appliances (toaster, coffee maker, etc.)
- Wipe shelves and drawer interiors
- Neatly reorganize contents
- Scrub sink basin, remove stains
- Clean garbage disposal with appropriate cleaner.
- Clean backsplash, remove grease splatter
- Sweep or vacuum thoroughly
- Clean baseboards and corners
- Deep clean the oven, including racks, door glass, and control panel.
- Pull the refrigerator out to clean coils and floor underneath.
- Degrease stovetop, burner grates, and range hood filter
- Empty all cabinets and drawers.
- Clean cabinet exteriors, focusing on handles and edges.
- Discard food items that are expired or left by guests.
- Clean and polish faucet, addressing limescale.
- Sanitize and polish countertops
- Move all movable furniture and appliances
- Mop with the right cleaner for your flooring type.

The Sparkling Bathroom

- Scrub grout and tiles for mold or mildew.
- Clean shower door tracks and seal
- Wash or replace shower curtain and liner
- Clean the interior of the bowl with a toilet brush and cleaner.
- Clean behind and around the toilet.
- Clean mirror and frame
- Wipe out all drawers and cabinets
- Check and replace shower essentials if needed.
- Clean light fixtures
- Clean baseboards and behind door
- Descale showerhead (soak in vinegar solution if necessary)
- Deep clean tub/shower basin, removing soap scum.
- Clean and organize shower caddy/shelving
- Sanitize exterior surfaces, including tank and base.
- Check for proper functioning and leaks
- Sanitize and polish the faucet and sink basin
- Organize toiletries and supplies.
- Remove, dust, and clean exhaust fan cover
- Thoroughly wash the floor, paying attention to corners.

The Restful Bedroom

- Remove all bedding including pillowcases, sheets, and covers.
- Vacuum the mattress on all sides using the upholstery attachment.
- If applicable, rotate or flip the mattress.
- Dust all surfaces, including hard-to-reach areas.
- Clean mirrors
- Check and replace burned-out bulbs.
- Wipe down rods
- Organize storage containers
- Vacuum thoroughly, including under the bed and furniture.
- Clean window glass inside and out
- Wash all linens, including mattress protector, duvet/comforter, and pillow protectors.
- If necessary, spot clean the mattress.
- Wash or dry-clean decorative pillows and throws.
- Wipe down headboard, nightstands, and dressers (inside and out)
- Dust and clean lamps and light fixtures
- Empty and dust all shelves
- Ensure hangers are uniform, neat, and sufficient in number.
- Check and remove any items left by previous guests.
- Use the crevice tool along baseboards and in corners.
- Dust window frames and sills

- Wash or vacuum curtains/blinds

Welcoming Living & Common Areas

- Vacuum all upholstered furniture
- Spot clean stains per fabric instructions
- Fluff and arrange cushions and throw pillows
- Clean coffee tables, end tables, bookshelves, and TV stands
- Organize books, magazines, and decorative items
- Dust TVs, speakers, and other electronics with a microfiber cloth.
- Check all electronics are functioning properly.
- Update guest instructions if needed.
- Have area rugs professionally cleaned or spot clean them.
- Clean baseboards and crown molding
- Remove cushions to clean underneath.
- If appropriate, steam clean fabric surfaces.
- Dust and wipe all hard surfaces.
- Polish wood surfaces with appropriate cleaner.
- Dust art frames and wall décor
- Sanitize remote and game controllers
- Organize and secure cords
- Move furniture to vacuum/clean the entire floor.
- Vacuum under couch cushions
- Address carpet spots or stains

The Functional Entryways, Hallways & Laundry Areas

- Wipe down scuff marks from walls, doors, and doorframes.
- Sanitize doorknobs and handles
- Check for cobwebs in corners and on the ceiling.
- Wipe down the exteriors of the washer and dryer.
- Clean behind and under accessible machines
- Focus on high-traffic areas
- Check for and address any floor damage.
- Ensure all transition strips between flooring types are secure.
- Clean light switches and cover plates
- Dust picture frames and wall decor
- Thoroughly clean the lint trap.
- Clean inside washing machine with the appropriate cycle
- Neatly organize laundry supplies
- Clean entry mats or rugs
- Clean shoe storage areas

Inviting Outdoor Spaces (Patio, Decks, Balconies)

- Thoroughly sweep the patio, deck, or balcony.
- Remove debris from corners and edges
- Clean all outdoor furniture
- Check for damage or wear
- Clean outdoor tables
- Clean grill exterior
- Ensure all tools are clean and organized.
- Remove cobwebs or insect nests.
- Clean railings and banisters
- If appropriate, power wash surfaces.
- Check for and address any damage to decking.
- Wash removable cushion covers
- Arrange furniture attractively
- Deep clean BBQ grill grates
- Check propane levels if applicable.
- Clean outdoor light fixtures
- Check all lights are functioning.
- Wipe down the exterior of storage containers.

Record the date, cleaner, and maintenance issues after each deep clean. Full guide:
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