Tips for Tackling Tough Holiday Stains

Stains are inevitable during the holiday season, and they run the gamut from cream, chocolate and fruit to gravy and wine. This handy guide will help you prepare to fight even the toughest stains without erasing your holiday spirit.

- **FOR PROTEIN-BASED STAINS**, including cream, remove any excess product from the fabric. For new or fresh stains, soak the stain in cool water. Do not use hot or hot water, which will set the stain.

- **FOR DYE-BASED STAINS**, such as fruit, treat immediately. If treated right away, hot water should remove the stain.

- **FOR TANNIN-BASED STAINS**, such as wine and coffee, place the stain under running cold water. Wash in the hottest washer setting that the fabric will allow.

- **FOR OIL-BASED STAINS**, such as Butter, place detergent on the stain and allow to soak, then wash in hot water.

- **FOR COMBINATION STAINS**, such as gravy, treat the stain in two steps. Since most combination stains are oil and dye, treat the oil stain first, and then the dye stain.

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