



How to Clean a Kitchen Aerator

Cleaning out an aerator on a kitchen faucet.

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INTRODUCTION

A kitchen faucet working to its full potential is efficient for those that use a kitchen daily. A faucet not emitting adequate water pressure, because of a clogged aerator, can cause a hassle or delay in the kitchen, which works in no one's favor. I am providing step-by-step details and procedures on how to clean an aerator of a kitchen faucet that is restraining water pressure. This fix requires a locking pliers and distilled white vinegar.

TOOLS:

- [Locking Pliers \(1\)](#)

Step 1 — How to Clean a Kitchen Aerator



- Shut off valves that are located under the sink and position faucet in the center to drain remaining water.

Step 2



- Avoid dropping small parts down the sink by covering the surface of the holes.

Step 3



- Unscrew and remove aerator with a wrench.

Step 4



- Clean aerator by soaking it in white vinegar overnight in a bowl or cup.

Step 5



- Dry off aerator with a towel.

Step 6



- Use a wrench to screw back on the aerator to the faucet.

Step 7



- Slowly turn back on water valves to check for improved water pressure.
- ☒ Make sure sink is cleared and components of faucet that were removed are sealed tight.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.