



SPOTTING

Plant Stains

INTRODUCTION

Plant stains can be a combination of several components. As a plant is over-watered it will run out of the pot and onto the carpet, saturating the carpet beneath. On its way through the potting soil the water can pick up all sorts of minerals, soils and dyes that can be difficult to remove. To make the situation worse, if the potted plant is in a basket the water can pick up tannin and additional dyes.

The worst part about plant stains is the fact that the water will remain under the pot for extended periods, providing an excellent growth medium for mold. The mold will do more than stain the fibers. It can actually eat away at the fibers of the carpet and backing, assuming that there is anything organic to be consumed.

Once the plant is removed and you are asked to remove this stain it may be too late to do a really effective job. Be sure to qualify the situation with the customer and do not offer guarantees.

PROCEDURE

STAIN MAGIC

This two-part solution is effective on a wide variety of stains. It is usually effective by itself but can be accelerated with heat if necessary.

- **STEP 1**
Mix parts A and B of **Stain Magic** in equal amounts.
- **STEP 2**
Spray the solution on the stain in sufficient quantity to saturate the affected carpet fibers.
- **STEP 3**
Cover the stain and the damp area with cellophane to hold the moisture in.
- **STEP 4**
Allow the product to work until dry. It will dry to a powder that can be vacuumed away with a **Rug Rat**. There is no need to rinse.

Chemicals Needed



Stain Magic

Type: Stain remover

Highlights: A two part product that removes stains caused by furniture, wine, mustard, potted plants and more.

Accessories Needed



Trigger Sprayer

Description: Hand-held sprayer

Purpose: Great for dispersing small amounts of chemical in a small area.



Cellophane

Description: Plastic covering

Purpose: Covers damp carpet to hold in moisture.



Rug Rat

Description: Vacuum

Purpose: Hand-held brush vacuum cleans carpets easily.

Equipment Needed



Power X Spotter

Description: Portable spotting machine

Purpose: Provides efficient and effective spot removal.



Olympus Portable

Description: Portable extractor

Purpose: Portable unit that extracts water and chemical from carpet or upholstery.

CAUTION – The products described above all have bleaching capabilities. It is the responsibility of the technician to determine the suitability of the product for the stain and the fabric or carpet.



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- 2 Spray on stain until saturated.
- 3 Cover stain with cellophane to hold in moisture.
- 4 Allow to dry. Vacuum powder.

PRODUCTS NEEDED

- Stain Magic
- Trigger Sprayer
- Cellophane
- Vacuum
- Power X Spotter
- Olympus Portable

Other Resources

Bridgepoint Oriental Rug Cleaning

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