

## Homemade Laundry Detergent Recipe - AndThenWeSaved.com

### *Ingredients:*

- Baking soda
- Borax
- Hard soap (Fels Naptha or Dove. I found the Fels Naptha in my local non-fancy grocery store in the laundry aisle)

### *Steps:*

- Use a serrated knife to grate the soap (or cheese grater)
- Combine 1 cup of soap flakes, a 1/2 cup of Borax, and 1/2 a cup of baking soda in a plastic quart or freezer size re-sealable bag
- Seal the bag and shake the ingredients together
- Use 2 TBSP of the mixture per load

### *Tips:*

- Let the detergent dissolve in the hot washer water before adding the clothing. To save energy switch the water back to cold after the detergent is dissolved
- Use an old laundry detergent bottle cap as your scoop and leave in the detergent baggie so it's super handy when you need it
- Be sure to super clean any kitchen tools you use to make the laundry detergent (I failed to do this and ended up with a semi-soapy meal. Oops!). Even better? Dedicate an old kitchen knife or garage sale cheese grater to be used specifically for laundry detergent making
- This is a super simple recipe and the grating part is the most time-consuming step. Make a double-batch to save time.
- Tweak the recipe as needed and use more or less of the detergent as desired.