

# Baking soda in the garden

## Baking soda does:



### Clean rusty tools

✓ Safe and effective



### Deodorize garden bins

✓ Safe and effective



### Deep clean clay pots

✓ Safe and effective



### Clean bird baths

✓ Safe and effective



### Sanitize work surfaces

✓ Safe and effective



### Make a DIY fungicide

✓ Only as a preventative treatment



### Test soil pH

✓ Gives a range, not exact pH



### Kill hardscape weeds

✓ Only hardscape weeds

## Baking soda doesn't:



### Sweeten tomatoes

✗ Unproven myth



### Kill garden weeds

✗ Also kills flowers and plants



### Kill black spot on roses

✗ Doesn't kill the disease



### Repel garden pests

✗ Not a reliable pesticide



### Fertilize plants

✗ Doesn't add nutrients



### Deodorize compost piles

✗ Slows decomposition



### Clean indoor plant leaves

✗ Leaves a residue on leaves



### Make cut flowers last

✗ Does not work

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