

Espresso Machine Maintenance Checklist

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Daily and Weekly Cleaning

1 Rinse after every shot

Purge the group head and rinse the portafilter with hot water, no soap.

2 Wipe the steam wand

Clean and purge it the moment you finish frothing milk.

3 Backflush weekly

Use a blind basket and cleaner on machines with a three-way valve.

4 Soak the baskets

A weekly cleaner soak removes the bitter oil film.

Descaling and Water

1 Descale every 4 to 8 weeks

Jacksonville hard water lays down scale fast; do not skip it.

2 Use filtered water

Filtered or bottled water slows how quickly scale returns.

3 Change the filter

Replace inline or reservoir filters every one to two months.

4 Empty before travel

Drain the reservoir so stagnant water and scale do not form.

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