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- 2. Add ½ cup of white vinegar.
- 3. Let cool until warm.
- 4. Place vinegar solution in a clean jar which has been washed in a dishwasher.
- 5. The vinegar solution may be stored in the refrigerator and re-warmed before each use.

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