

Soot marks in limestone

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Naught me had a candle burning too near my limestone fireplace and soot marks went up the side. I wiped them off with washing up liquid which got most off but then wet it - Oh dear!! Marks are now IN the stone. Is there anything I can do to clean the marks out? I live in the UK so not sure if products available here? Thank you!

Dear Claire:

This is the list of the ingredients that you need:

1. Good ol' bleach (they do sell bleach in the UK, don't they?... :-))
2. In the same isle of the supermarket where they carry the bleach, you will also find a product called "elbow grease"! (Get 2 GL of that!! LOL)
3. A laundry brush
4. Lots of patience
5. Masking material to protect everything that could be damaged by bleach, including yourself and your clothes.

Once you've got everything ready, make a solution of 3 parts of warm water and 1 part of bleach; get your laundry brush and, by using the "elbow grease" and the patience, scrub, scrub, scrub...

You get the picture, right?... LOL

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Ciao and good luck,

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