

Vinyl Record Cleaning With an Ultrasonic Cleaner

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Dust can be removed from your records as long as you use high frequency sound to agitate the water. However, do you know how to clean vinyl records with an [ultrasonic cleaner](#)? Fill ultrasonic cleaner in the tank of your cleaner to partially immerse a record without getting the label wet. Use pure distilled water to fill up the tank to this depth. As we know, even distilled water will have trapped gases that reduce its effectiveness. Therefore, degas ultrasonic cleaner. Run your ultrasonic cleaner now if it has a degas cycle. If not, you should turn on your cleaner for about 10 minutes to degas your water. Wipe off records. Use a soft, lint-free cloth to wipe both sides of your records before putting them in the tank, keeping large particles out of your cleaning solution. Get down into the grooves by rotating the cloth around your records in a circular motion. You can also use a record cleaning brush. However, if a bottle came with the brush, don't use its cleaning solution. Dip your records in the cleaning solution. Let pen or pencil through the hole in the center until it centers the record. Place the pen or pencil across the top of your cleaning tank. Turn on cleaner. Let the record stay where it is for about two minutes. Rotate your record to immerse the next section and keep it there for another two minutes. Keep doing until the record has been completely covered. Remove the record from the tank and repeat the process with your next record. Drip-dry records in a clean dish rack. Place each cleaned record in a separate slot of your dish rack carefully. Distilled water will evaporate off the records. **Tips** When rotating records in the cleaning solution, you should only touch the edge of your records, avoiding leaving any fingerprints.
