# Treating Mild Skin Problems Infections, Irritations, Bug Bites, Slivers, Fist Aide

Poultice Compress Tea Soaks



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# **Poultice:** Mashed plant material applied directly to the body or wrapped in thin cloth then applied



1 tablespoon on dried herbs

1 teaspoon HOT water

Crush together with mortar an pestle to make a damp mash

Apply to skin with or with out a cloth barrier Hold in place.

Treat for 5 to 15 minutes, for 1 to 4 time a day, depending on severity of problem

Keep warm if possible with hot water bottle.

# **Compress**: Make a strong herbal tea and dip a cloth in the tea then wrap on the body

½ oz
2 Quarts of water
Herbs
Steep for 20 minutes ...longer for roots
Strain tea

Soak wash cloth in "hot" tea
Wring out lightly and the lay on the body
Keep warm if possible – warm water bottle
Treat for 5 to 15 minutes, for 1 to 4 time a day,
depending on severity of problem



# Tea Soak

## Important for deep wounds / Infections

Good for feet and hands

Make a strong tea

Soak the area in the tea

Treat for 5 to 15 minutes, for 1 to 4 time a day, depending on severity of problem

## Good herbs for making any of these remedies

### **Chamomile Flowers**

Gentle Anti-Biotic Good for Pink Eye – Use a compress cloth, do not re use cloths treat 2 to 3 times a day for several days.

#### **Yarrow Flowers**

Mild anti-biotic, stop bleeding, speed healing

### **Red Clover**

Mild Anti – Biotic

#### **Plantain**

Mild Anti - Biotic

#### Sage

Mild Anti Biotic, excellent for the mouth

#### **Thyme**

Mild Anti- Biotic

#### Clove

Mild Anti-Biotc, Good for Pain, excellent for the mouth

#### St. John's Wort

Mild Anti- Biotic

### **Comfrey**

Speed Healing, Drawing for slivers

## Plantain Plantago lanceolata

Anti- inflammatory
Anti- septic (infection) mild
Cooling (balance for astringent herbs)

Good for mild infections

Excellent treatment for "histamine" reactions –bee stings, mosquito bites, stinging nettle, irritated skin.

Leaf

## Yarrow Achillea Mellefolium

Flower best, leaf OK

wild forms

**Tonic** 

**Stop Bleed** 

Anti -Bacterial

**Anti-Inflamitory** 

Anti-Viral

**Anti-Septic** 

Purify blood & uric acid

Stimulate liver

Invigorating body actions

Increase perspiration for sickness & detox

Yeast & fungal infection

Shrink Hemorrhoids



DO NOT use with pregnancy
Too astringent
Stimulates / regulates menstrual flow
Abortion risk

## Take HOME

Plantain – dried, 1 oz. cup

Label a baggy.

Take the herb home and keep it on hand Use it as a compress for bites or irritations

