Late Winter/Spring Issues - Home Remedies*

Common issue	Generally Suggested remedy
Allergies (Hay Fever)	Neti Pot - Use as directed; Local Honey - ½ tsp/day just before the beginning of allergy season; Diet: Kapha reducing diet - reduce meat, dairy, sweets, combining fruit and yogurt, fats and oils.
Common colds/flu	Ginger Cinnamon Teas - 1 tsp cinnamon + 1 tbsp fresh grated ginger + 1 tsp licorice - boil in 4 cups of water for 10 mins (drink 1 cup 3x/day); OR ½ tsp ginger + ½ tsp cinnamon + 1 tsp lemon grass in 1 cup of hot water (steep for 10 mins); Diet: Avoid Dairy, sugary foods, deep fried foods, choose ginger, tulsi, garlic, cayenne, oregano taken with honey.
Cold sores	Turmeric and honey paste - 1 tsp honey + 1/4 tsp turmeric - apply to the sore.
Cough	Dry cough - chew ¼ teaspoon ajwain seeds mixed with 1 teaspoon of organic raw sugar. Banana Honey - Ripe banana with 1 tsp honey and 2 pinches finely ground black pepper.
Congested sinuses	Ginger paste: Make a paste with ground ginger and purified water. Apply the paste to the affected area (external only). Ginger Honey - Mix 1tsp fresh ginger juice (or grated fresh ginger) with 1 tsp honey. Take 2-3x per day.
Eyes (red itchy or burning)	Rosewater eye wash - 2 tbsp purified water + 5 drops of rosewater (NOT rose essential oil) Rinse the eyes using an eye cup. Triphala ghee - applied to eyelids.
Sore Throat	Gargle - Add ½ tsp ground turmeric + ½ tsp salt to 1 cup of warm water. Gargle morning and evening; Turmeric milk - 1 cup hot milk + ½ tsp ground turmeric. Drink.

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