

**Beverage preparation machine and method for cleaning a
beverage preparation machine**

Abstract

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The invention relates to a beverage preparation machine (1) comprising an apparatus for frothing and/or heating milk (3), which apparatus is connected via a milk suction hose (7) to a milk container (10), and a cleaning apparatus for
10 cleaning the milk suction hose (7) and the apparatus for frothing and/or heating milk (3) by means of a flushing fluid. The milk can be sucked from the milk container (10) into the apparatus for frothing and/or heating milk (3) by means of a vacuum which can be generated in the apparatus
15 for frothing and/or heating milk (3). The cleaning apparatus contains a switching valve (8) which can be switched into an operating position in which a milk connection is enabled between the milk container (10) and the apparatus for frothing and/or heating milk (3) via the milk suction hose
20 (7) and into a flushing position in which a first flushing fluid connection is enabled between a flushing fluid outlet of the beverage preparation machine (1) and the apparatus for frothing and/or heating milk (3) via a flushing hose (6), the switching valve (8) switched into the flushing
25 position and the milk suction hose (7).

(Fig. 1A)