Questions or concerns about your rice cooker?
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Congratulations on your purchase of the Aroma® 12-Cup Digital Rice cooker! In no time at all, you’ll be making fantastic, restaurant-quality rice at the touch of a button. Whether long, medium or short grain, this cooker is specially calibrated to prepare a variety of rice, including tough-to-cook whole grain brown rice, to fluffy perfection.

In addition to rice, your new Aroma® rice cooker is ideal for healthy, one-pot meals for the whole family. The convenient steam tray inserts directly over the rice, allowing you to cook fresh meats and vegetables at the same time, in the same pot. Steaming foods locks in their natural flavor and nutrients without added oil or fat, for meals that are as nutritious as they are easy.

But it doesn’t end there. Your new rice cooker is also great for soup, stew, gumbo, jambalaya, breakfast frittatas, dips and even desserts!

Several delicious recipes are included at the back of this manual, and even more are available online at www.AromaCo.com.

This manual contains instructions for using your rice cooker and its convenient pre-programmed digital settings, as well as all of the accessories included. There are also helpful measurement charts for cooking rice and steaming.

For more information on your Aroma® rice cooker, or for product service, recipes and other home appliance solutions, please visit us online at www.AromaCo.com.

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1. Important: Read all instructions carefully before first use.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use the handles or knobs.
3. Use only on a level, dry and heat-resistant surface.
4. To protect against fire, electric shock and injury to persons, do not immerse cord, plug or the appliance in water or any other liquid. See instructions for cleaning.
5. Close supervision is necessary when the appliance is used by or near children.
6. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow unit to cool before putting on or taking off parts and before cleaning the appliance.
7. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been dropped or damaged in any manner. Contact Aroma® customer service for examination, repair or adjustment.
8. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Aroma® Housewares may result in fire, electrical shock or injury.
9. Do not use outdoors.
10. Do not let cord touch hot surfaces or hang over the edge of a counter or table.
11. Do not place or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
12. Do not use the appliance for other than its intended use.

13. Extreme caution must be used when moving the appliance containing rice, hot oil or other liquids.
14. Do not touch, cover or obstruct the steam vent on the top of the rice cooker as it is extremely hot and may cause scalding.
15. Use only with a 120V AC power outlet.
17. The rice cooker should be operated on a separate electrical circuit from other operating appliances. If the electrical circuit is overloaded with other appliances, the appliance may not operate properly.
18. Always make sure the inside of the inner cooking pot is dry prior to use. If the inner pot is returned to the cooker when wet, it may damage or cause the product to malfunction.
19. Use extreme caution when opening the lid during or after cooking. Hot steam will escape and may cause scalding.
20. Rice should not be left in the inner cooking pot with the “Keep Warm” function for more than 12 hours.
21. To prevent damage or deformation, do not use the inner cooking pot on a stovetop or burner.
22. To disconnect, turn any control to “OFF,” then remove the plug from the wall outlet.
23. To reduce the risk of electrical shock, cook only in the removable inner cooking pot provided.
Short Cord Instructions
1. A short power-supply cord is provided to reduce the risks resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.
2. Longer extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use.
3. If a longer extension cord is used:
   a. The marked electrical rating of the extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance.
   b. The longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the counter top or tabletop where it can be pulled by children or tripped over unintentionally.

Polarized Plug
This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other); follow the instructions below:
To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug is intended to fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to modify the plug in any way.
If the supply cord is damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer, its service agent or a similarly qualified person in order to avoid a hazard.
PARTS IDENTIFICATION

- Lid Release Button
- Steam Vent
- Handle
- Condensation Collector
- Control Panel
- Digital Display
- Cooking Indicator Light
- Power Cord
- Inner Pot
- Steam Tray
- Measuring Cup
- Serving Spatula

Digital Controls

- The POWER button turns on the rice cooker once it is plugged in.
- The DELAY TIMER button allows for rice to be ready right when it’s needed. Add rice and water in the morning and come home to delicious warm rice ready to eat.
- The WHITE-RICE button cooks restaurant-quality white rice automatically.
- The BROWN-RICE button is ideal for cooking brown rice and other tough-to-cook whole grains to perfection.
- The STEAM button is perfect for quickly steaming delicious meats and vegetables.
- The KEEP WARM button is great for serving and re-heating.
BEFORE FIRST USE

1. Read all instructions and important safeguards.
2. Remove all packaging materials and check that all items have been received in good condition.
3. Tear up all plastic bags as they can pose a risk to children.
4. Wash steam vent and all other accessories in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.
5. Remove the inner cooking pot from rice cooker and clean with warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.
6. Wipe body clean with a damp cloth.

**NOTE**

- Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
- Do not immerse the rice cooker base, cord or plug in water at any time.
Para Cocer Arroz

1. Using the provided measuring cup, add rice to the inner cooking pot.

2. Rinse rice to remove starch. Drain.

3. Fill the inner cooking pot with water to the line which matches the number of cups of rice being cooked.

4. Place the inner cooking pot into the rice cooker.

- Before placing the inner cooking pot into the rice cooker, check that it is dry and free of debris. Adding the inner cooking pot when wet may damage the rice cooker.

- If you misplace the measuring cup, a 1/3 standard US cup is an exact replacement.

- To add more flavor to rice, try substituting a favorite meat or vegetable broth or stock. The ratio of broth/stock to rice will be the same as water to rice.

- For approximate rice cooking times and suggested rice/water ratios, see the "Rice/Water Measurement Table" on page 8.

Notes:
TO COOK RICE (CONT.)

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Close the lid securely.

Plug the cord into an available outlet.

Press the POWER button to turn the rice cooker on.

Press the WHITE RICE or BROWN RICE button, depending on the type of rice being cooked.

The rice cooker will now begin cooking. The COOKING indicator light will illuminate and the digital display will show a “chasing” pattern.

The rice cooker will countdown the final minutes of cook time (12 minutes for white rice and 25 minutes for brown rice).

HELPFUL HINTS:

- Pressing the POWER button once at any time will cancel the current function.
- Brown rice requires a much longer cooking cycle than other rice varieties due to the extra bran layers on the grains. The “Brown Rice” function on this rice cooker allows extra time and adjusted heat settings in order to cook the rice properly. If it appears the rice cooker is not heating up immediately on the “Brown Rice” setting, this is due to a low-heat soak cycle that precedes the cooking cycle to produce better brown rice results.

Para cocinar arroz (cont.)

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Cierre el tapón firmemente.

Enchufe el cable en una toma de corriente disponible.

Presione el botón POWER para prender el cocinero de arroz.

Presione el botón WHITE RICE o BROWN RICE, dependiendo del tipo de arroz que esté cocinando.

El cocinero de arroz comenzará a cocinar. La luz de la indicadora de cocción se iluminará y el display digital mostrará un “patrón de sigilo”.

El cocinero de arroz contará el tiempo final de cocción (12 minutos para arroz blanco y 25 minutos para arroz integral).

SUGERENCIAS ÚTILES:

- Presionando el botón POWER una sola vez en cualquier momento cancelará la función actual.
- El arroz integral requiere un ciclo de cocción mucho más largo que otros tipos de arroz debido a las capas adicionales de granos del arroz integral. La función “Arroz Integral” en este cocinero de arroz permite tiempo adicional y ajustes de calor para cocinar el arroz integral correctamente. Si parece que el cocinero de arroz no está calentando inmediatamente en el ajuste “Arroz Integral”, esto es debido a un ciclo de enjuague de baja temperatura que precede al ciclo de cocción para producir mejores resultados de arroz integral.
Once rice is finished, the rice cooker will beep and automatically switch to its “Keep Warm” setting. The digital display will show the number of hours the rice cooker has been on “Keep Warm,” beginning with “0.”

For best results, stir the rice with the serving spatula to distribute any remaining moisture.

When finished serving rice, turn the rice cooker off by pressing the POWER button twice and unplug the power cord.

• Rice should not be left in the rice cooker on its “Keep Warm” setting for more than 12 hours.
RICE/WATER MEASUREMENT TABLE

<table>
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<tr>
<th>UNCOOKED RICE</th>
<th>RICE WATER LINE INSIDE POT</th>
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<th>COOKING TIMES</th>
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<tr>
<td>2 Cups</td>
<td>Line 2</td>
<td>4 Cups</td>
<td>WHITE RICE: 30-35 Min, BROWN RICE: 60-65 Min.</td>
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<td>3 Cups</td>
<td>Line 3</td>
<td>6 Cups</td>
<td>WHITE RICE: 32-37 Min, BROWN RICE: 60-70 Min.</td>
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<td>4 Cups</td>
<td>Line 4</td>
<td>8 Cups</td>
<td>WHITE RICE: 35-42 Min, BROWN RICE: 70-75 Min.</td>
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<td>5 Cups</td>
<td>Line 5</td>
<td>10 Cups</td>
<td>WHITE RICE: 40-46 Min, BROWN RICE: 75-80 Min.</td>
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- Rinse rice before placing it into the inner cooking pot to remove excess bran and starch. This will help reduce browning and sticking to the bottom of the pot.
- Wait perfect brown rice without the wait! Use the “Delay Timer.” Simply add rice and water in the morning and set the “Delay Timer” for when rice will be ready that night. See “To Use The Delay Timer” on page 9 for more details.
- This chart is only a general measuring guide. As there are many different kinds of rice available (see “About Rice” on page 20), rice/water measurements may vary.
The rice cooker will countdown the final minutes of cook time (12 minutes for white rice and 25 minutes for brown rice).

Once rice is finished, the rice cooker will beep and automatically switch to its "Keep Warm" setting. The digital display will show the number of hours the rice cooker has been on "Keep Warm," beginning with "0."

For best results, stir the rice with the serving spatula to distribute any remaining moisture.

When finished serving rice, turn the rice cooker off by pressing the POWER button twice and unplug the power cord.

* Rice should not be left in the rice cooker on "Keep Warm" for more than 12 hours.
Press the POWER button to turn on the rice cooker.

Press the STEAM button. The digital display will show a flashing 5 to represent five minutes of steam time.

Each press of the STEAM button will increase steaming time by one minute, up to 30 minutes. After 30 minutes, it will cycle back to five minutes.

Once cooking time is selected, the rice cooker will beep and the digital display will stop flashing to indicate it is setting to the displayed time and steaming has begun.

Check steamed food for doneness. If finished steaming, carefully remove the steam tray. It will be hot.

Press the POWER button twice to turn off the rice cooker and unplug the power cord.
TO STEAM FOOD & SIMULTANEOUSLY COOK RICE

Follow steps 1 to 9 of “To Cook Rice” beginning on page 5.

1. Pour water into the base, then place the inner tray in the base.
2. Add rice and water, then place the inner tray into the base.
3. Place the lid securely on the base.
4. Place the outer lid on the base.
5. Place the food to be steamed onto the tray.
6. Place steam tray into the rice cooker.
7. Open the lid of the rice cooker.
8. Close the lid securely.
9. The countdown feature is an excellent way to plan when to add the steam tray to ensure rice and steamed food finish cooking at the same time. Refer to the steaming tables for meats and vegetables on page 16 for hints and approximate steaming times. See the “Rice/Water Measurement Tables” included on page 8 for approximate rice cooking times.

NOTE
• Do not attempt to cook more than 4 cups (uncooked) of rice if steaming and cooking rice simultaneously.
• It is possible to steam at any point during the rice cooking cycle. However, it is recommended that you steam during the end of the cycle so that steamed food does not grow cold or become soggy before the rice is ready.

HELPFUL HINTS
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TO STEAM FOOD & SIMULTANEOUSLY COOK RICE (CONT.)

Using caution, open the lid to check food for doneness. If finished, remove steam tray. It will be hot.

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Allow rice cooker to continue cooking rice.

Once rice is finished, the rice cooker will beep and automatically switch to its “Keep Warm” setting. The digital display will show the number of hours the rice cooker has been on “Keep Warm,” beginning with “0.”

When finished serving rice, turn the rice cooker off by pressing the POWER button twice and unplug the power cord.

Rice should not be left in the rice cooker on “Keep Warm” for more than 12 hours.
TO COOK SOUP, CHILI OR STEW

1. Add ingredients to the inner cooking pot.
2. Place the inner cooking pot into the rice cooker.
3. Close the lid securely.
4. Plug the cord into an available outlet.

• The rice cooker will not switch to its “Keep Warm” setting until all liquid is boiled away. Follow the recipe carefully and do not leave the rice cooker unattended.
CONECTAR ELECTRO MANDO CON MANILLAS
Para cocer sopas, chile o estofados (cont.)

1. No déle consuelo de modo incorrecto caliente. Por más de 1 hora.

2. Para cocer al vapor, use el recipiente superior.

3. Cuando extraiga el recipiente del calentador, que se agite y que haya un vacío de aire.

4. Cuando cocine con aceite, use la bandeja de aceite.

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TO COOK SOUP, CHILI OR STEW (CONT.)

5. Press the POWER button to turn the rice cooker on.

6. Press the WHITE RICE button to begin cooking.

7. Using caution to avoid escaping steam, open the lid and stir occasionally with a long-handled wooden spoon.

8. Once cooking is complete, press the KEEP WARM button to switch the rice cooker to its “Keep Warm” setting.

9. When finished serving, turn the rice cooker off by pressing the POWER button twice and unplug the power cord.

• Food should not be left in the rice cooker on its “Keep Warm” setting for more than 12 hours.
TO CLEAN

1. Remove the steam vent.
2. Remove the condensation collector.
3. Soak inner cooking pot and all accessories or wash them in the dishwasher.
4. Wipe rice cooker body clean with a damp cloth.
5. Thoroughly dry rice cooker body and all accessories. Reassemble for next use.

NOTE
- Do not use harsh abrasive cleaners, scouring pads or products that are not considered safe to use on nonstick coatings.
- If washing in the dishwasher, a slight discoloration to the inner pot and accessories may occur. This is cosmetic only and will not affect performance.
- Any other servicing should be performed by Aroma® Housewares. Contact Aroma® customer service at 1-800-276-4628. Monday to Friday 8:30AM-4:30PM PST.

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TROUBLESHOOTING

Because rice varieties may vary in their make-up, results may differ. Below are some troubleshooting tips to help you achieve the desired consistency.

Rice is too dry/hard after cooking.
If your rice is dry or hard/cheesy when the rice cooker switches to “Keep-Warm” mode, additional water and cooking time will soften the rice. Depending on how dry your rice is, add 1/2 to 1 cup of water and stir through.
Close the lid and press the WHITE RICE button. When rice cooker switches to “Keep-Warm” mode, remove the lid and stir the rice to check the consistency. Repeat as necessary until rice is soft and moist.

Rice is too moist/soggy after cooking.
If your rice is still too moist or soggy when the rice cooker switches to “Keep-Warm” mode, use the serving spatulas to stir the rice. This will redistribute the bottom (moist) part of the rice as well as release excess moisture. Close the lid and allow to remain on “Keep-Warm” mode for 10-30 minutes as needed, removing the lid and stirring periodically to release excess moisture.

The bottom layer of rice is browned/caramelized.
The bottom layer of cooked rice may become slightly browned and/or caramelized during cooking. To reduce browning, rice should be rinsed before cooking to remove any excess starch. Stirring rice once it switches to “Keep-Warm” will also help to reduce browning/caramelizing.
Rice is the perfect foundation for today’s healthier eating. It is a nutrient-dense complex carbohydrate that supplies energy, fiber, essential vitamins and minerals and beneficial antioxidants. Rice combines well with other healthy foods such as vegetables, fruits, meat, seafood, poultry, beans and soy foods.

Nearly 88% of rice consumed in the U.S. is grown in the U.S. Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi and Missouri produce high-quality varieties of short, medium and long grain rice as well as specialty rice including jasmine, basmati, arborio, red aromatic and black japonica, among others.

There are many different varieties of rice available in the market. Your Aroma® Rice Cooker can cook any type perfectly every time. The following are the commonly available varieties of rice and their characteristics.

**Long Grain Rice**

This rice has a long, slender kernel three to four times longer than its width. Due to its starch composition, cooked grains are more separate, light and fluffy. Long grain rice is perfect for use in the medium or short grain. The majority of white rice is enriched to restore nutrients lost during processing. Great for entrees and side dishes — rice bowls, stir-fries, salads and plates.

**Brown Rice**

Brown rice is a 100% whole grain food that fits the U.S. Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommendation to increase daily intake of whole grains. Brown rice contains the nutrient-dense bran and inner germ layer where many beneficial compounds are found. Brown rice is available in short, medium and long grain varieties and can be used interchangeably with enriched white rice.

**Wild Rice**

Wild rice is an aquatic grass grown in Minnesota and California and is a frequent addition to long grain rice plates and rice mixes. Its unique flavor, texture and rich dark color provide a delicious accent to rice dishes. Wild rice also makes a wonderful stuffing for poultry when cooked with broth and mixed with your favorite dried fruits.

**Medium Grain Rice**

When compared to long grain rice, medium grain rice has a shorter, wider kernel that is two to three times longer than its width. Cooked grains are more moist and tender than long grain, and have a greater tendency to cling together. Great for entrees, sushi, rice cakes and rice puddings.

**Short Grain Rice**

Short grain rice has a short, plump, almost round kernel. Cooked grains are soft and cling together, yet remain separate and are somewhat chewy, with a slight springiness to the bite. Great for sushi, Asian dishes and desserts.
Aroma’s Favorite Jambalaya

**Ingredients**
- 1 lb. spicy smoked sausage
- 1 lb. shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 2 cups cooked chicken, shredded
- 1½ cups rice
- 4 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup 4 oz. canned diced green chilies
- 2 tbsp. Creole seasoning

Cut the smoked sausage in half, lengthwise, then into ½” half circles. Add all ingredients to the inner cooking pot and mix well. Place inner cooking pot in the rice cooker and close the lid. Press the POWER button to turn on the rice cooker. Press WHITE RICE. The rice cooker will automatically switch to Keep Warm mode once the meal is ready. Serves 4.

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Game Day Chili Cheese Dip

**Ingredients**
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2 tsp. vegetable oil
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 2 cups 15-oz. cans prepared medium salsa
- 1 cup black beans, drained
- 3 ounces low fat cream cheese, cubed
- 3 ounces cheddar cheese, grated
- Tortilla chips, for dipping

Press the POWER button to turn on the rice cooker. Place the onion, oil and garlic in the inner cooking pot and saute for 3 minutes. Use a large wooden spoon to gently stir as the onion and garlic cook. Add the chili, salsa, olives, cream cheese and cheddar cheese. Stir to combine all of the ingredients, close the lid and press the WHITE RICE button. Cook for 4 minutes. Carefully open the lid, keeping hands and face away to avoid steam burns, and stir the dip. Cook again for 3 minutes. Open the lid and stir again. Continue cooking until the dip is warm throughout and the cheeses are melted. When done, serve in a large bowl and use the tortilla chips for dipping. Serves 4.

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Green Chili Chicken & Rice

**Ingredients**
- 1 1/2 cups rice
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 tsp. dried minced onion
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 10 oz. can chicken breast chunks, with liquid
- 4 oz. canned green chiles, with liquid

**Instructions**
1. Place all ingredients in the inner cooking pot and stir. Place inner cooking pot into the rice cooker, cover. Press the POWER button to turn on the rice cooker. Press the WHITE RICE button. Allow to cook until rice cooker switches to “Keep Warm” mode. Add additional salt to taste, if needed. Stir and serve immediately as a main course. Serves 4.

San Antonio Rice

**Ingredients**
- 1 cup rice
- 1 cup (12 oz.) fresh salsa, mild or hot
- 1 tbsp. vegetable oil
- 1 cup fresh or canned corn kernels
- 1/2 tsp. ground cumin
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 1/2 cups water
- Fresh ground pepper, to taste
- Fresh minced cilantro, for garnish

**Instructions**
1. Add all ingredients except cilantro to the inner cooking pot. Stir. Close the lid and press the POWER button to turn on the rice cooker. Press the WHITE RICE button. When rice cooker switches to “Keep Warm” mode, open the cooker, quickly stir and re-cover. Allow to stand for 5-10 minutes before serving. Spoon onto a serving dish, garnish with fresh cilantro and serve. Makes a flavorful supper or side dish for grilled chicken or fish. Serves 3-4.

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