

# Cuisinart®

INSTRUCTION  
BOOKLET



**CORDLESS** Automatic Electric Kettle

**KUA-17**

# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using an electrical appliance, basic safety precautions should always be taken, including the following:

1. **READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS.**
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles and knobs.
3. To protect against fire, electric shock and injury to persons **DO NOT IMMERSE CORD, PLUG OR BASE UNIT** in water or other liquids.
4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
5. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning appliance.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest Cuisinart® Authorized Service Facility for examination, repair or adjustment.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Cuisinart may result in fire, electric shock or injury to persons.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let power cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
10. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
11. Always fill the Kettle with water first, then set the appliance onto the power base, and finally plug cord into wall outlet. To disconnect, remove Kettle body from power base, then remove plug from wall outlet.
12. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
13. Scalding may occur if the lid is removed during the brewing cycle.

# FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

### SPECIAL CORD SET INSTRUCTIONS:

A short power-supply cord is provided to reduce the risks of becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.

Longer extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised.

If a long extension cord is used, the marked electrical rating of the extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance. The longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or table-top where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over.

### NOTICE :

This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature.

## UNPACKING INSTRUCTIONS

Place your Cuisinart® Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle in its gift box on top of a sturdy surface. Open the gift box and remove the unit and the detachable power base. Remove each from its plastic bag. Discard the strip of paper listing features and picturing the kettle which is wrapped around the bottom of the kettle. Check that all printed materials are removed from the gift box. Save the packing materials for future shipment.

Keep all plastic bags away from children.

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## INTRODUCTION

Your new Cuisinart® Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle combines all of the comforts of the kettle on the stove with the convenience of today's newest technology. The elegant stainless steel finish makes it a lovely addition to any table.

The kettle is remarkably simple to operate and maintain because it has been manufactured according to the strictest design and quality specifications. We would, however, suggest that you read the instructional material provided with this product to completely familiarize yourself with its use and care.

## ULTIMATE CONVENIENCE

Your Cuisinart® Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle may quickly become one of the most useful and utilized appliances in your kitchen. The kettle makes the simple task of boiling water easier, faster and more energy efficient. Water comes to a boil very quickly — often faster than on the stovetop. Once it reaches a boil, it shuts itself off.

### **Making Tea with your Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle**

The most traditional use for a kettle is making tea. Your Cuisinart® kettle will be a fast and convenient way to make your cup of tea.

Whether using tea bags or loose tea, buy the best you can. The flavor will only be as good as the quality of the tea. Tea tastes best when made in a ceramic pot or cup.

For best results, use your Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle following the operating instructions on p.4, as well as the following tips:

1. Fill kettle with fresh, cold water.
2. Place an infuser with loose tea or tea bag(s) in your ceramic pot or cup.
3. Wait for kettle to click off, and immediately pour the boiling water onto the tea.
4. The tea should be allowed to steep for 3 to 5 minutes. The longer it steeps, the stronger it is. For iced tea, brew tea double-strength (steep twice as long) and pour over ice.
5. Stir and serve as desired.

### **Uses for your Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle**

With the Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle, you can make all your favorite hot beverages ... and much more!

- Tea
- Instant Coffee
- Hot Chocolate
- Flavored Coffee Drinks
- Hot Cereal and Oatmeal
- Soups
- Noodles
- Rice
- Pasta

# FEATURES AND BENEFITS

**1. 18/10 Stainless Steel Construction with 1-3/4 Quart (1.7L) Capacity**

**2. Maximum Fill Mark**

“MAX” located inside the kettle body indicates the maximum amount of cold water to be added.

**3. Dripless Pour Spout**

with splash guard.

**4. Stay-Cool Handle**

(Ergonomically shaped for comfort.)

**5. Easy Grip Lid**

For quick and easy filling.

**6. Power “On” Switch**

Simply depress switch (gently push down until “click” is heard) to begin the boiling process. Kettle shuts off automatically once water has boiled, or when kettle is lifted from power base.

**7. “ON” Indicator Light**

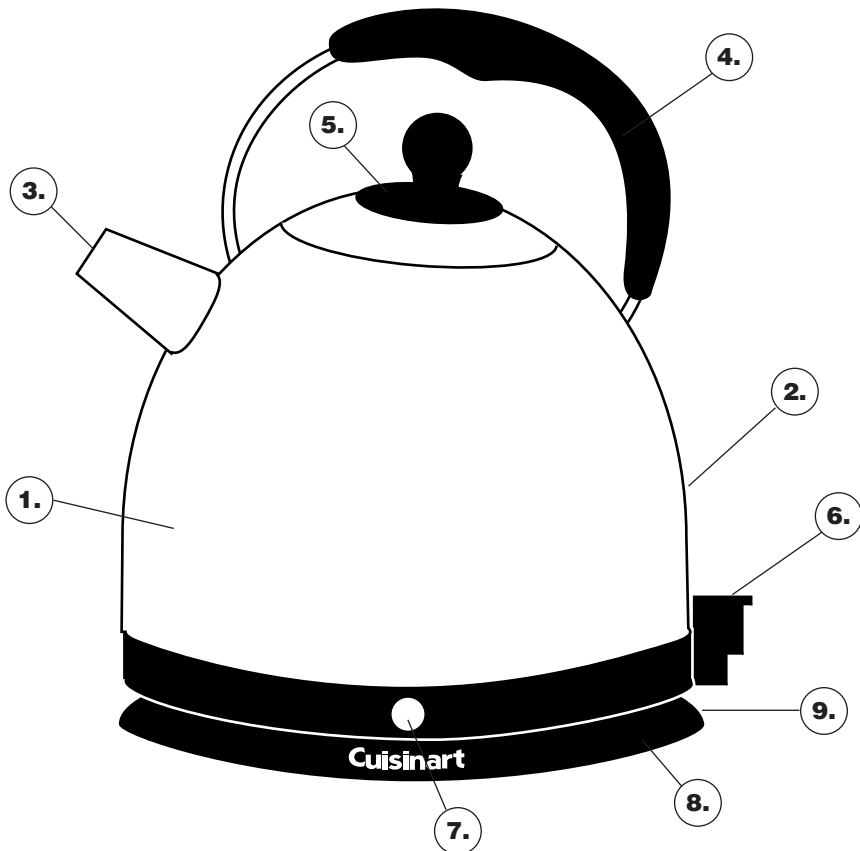
Illuminates when kettle is on.

**8. Power Base**

Supplies power to kettle.

**9. Cord Wrap (under base)**

Unwind only as much as you need. Provides convenient storage.



# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

## BEFORE USING FOR THE FIRST TIME

Before using your Cuisinart® Cordless Automatic Electric Kettle for the first time, you should operate the kettle 2 or 3 times following the instructions below. This will remove any dust or residues remaining from the manufacturing process.

## BOILING WATER

### 1. Remove the Lid.

Place the kettle with the spout facing away from you. Gently lift off the lid.

### 2. Fill the Kettle.

Fill the kettle with as much fresh, cold water as you will need. The maximum water level is indicated inside the kettle and is marked by the word “MAX”. The maximum amount of water to be used is indicated by the “MAX FILL” level in figure 2 below.

### 3. Close the Lid.

Position kettle with spout facing away from you. Replace lid on kettle.

### 4. Place Kettle on Power Base

Place the kettle on the power base so the element on the bottom of the kettle sits securely on the power base.

### 5. Power “ON”.

Depress the power “ON” switch by gently pushing down until a “click” is heard (See Fig. 3.) When the water has boiled, the kettle will automatically switch “OFF”.

NOTE: The kettle can be switched off at any time before the water boils simply by lifting the kettle off the base.

### 6. Pour and Serve.

Pour water out slowly. Return kettle to base after pouring. If you wish to reboil the water, you must depress the power “ON” button again.

## HELPFUL HINTS

Always use fresh, cold water for each boiling.

If the kettle is accidentally switched “ON” without a sufficient water level, a boil-dry mechanism will automatically switch the kettle “OFF”.

Empty kettle after each use. Do not leave water standing in the kettle.

NOTE: For your safety, it is recommended that the lid be placed securely on the kettle whenever kettle is in use.

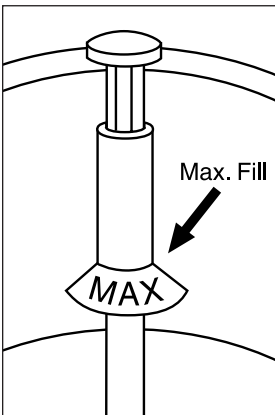


Figure 2

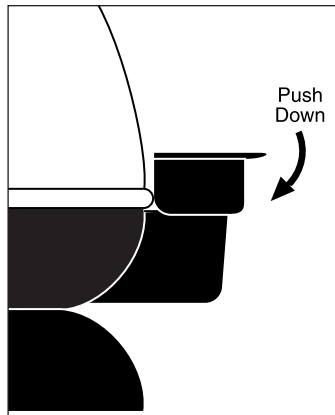


Figure 3

# CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

**CAUTION:** Always disconnect the kettle from electrical outlet before cleaning.

Before cleaning, be sure the kettle is cold.

Clean the exterior surface of the kettle with a clean, damp cloth to preserve its original highly polished finish. Dry and polish with a soft cloth.

Do not use abrasive cleansers or scouring agents of any kind on the interior or exterior of the kettle.

**Do not immerse the kettle or power base in water or other liquid, and be sure that the electric kettle socket is kept dry.**

## DECALCIFICATION

Decalcification refers to removing the calcium deposits which may form in the interior metal parts of the kettle.

To get the best performance from your Cuisinart® kettle, decalcify your unit from time to time. Frequency depends on the hardness of your tap water and how often you use the kettle.

We suggest use of a kettle descaler in order to dissolve these chalky deposits or scale. Follow the directions on the descaler package. If a commercial descaler is not available, fill the kettle with enough white vinegar to cover the bottom by about 1/2". Bring the vinegar to a boil. You may need to repeat this several times with cooled vinegar to remove the calcium buildup completely. When the descaling process is complete, empty the kettle and rinse out several times with clean water.

## 3 YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

This warranty is available to consumers only. You are a consumer if you own a Cuisinart® Automatic Electric Kettle which was purchased at retail for personal, family or household use. Except as otherwise required under applicable law, this warranty is not available to retailers or other commercial purchasers or owners.

We warrant that your Cuisinart® Automatic Electric Kettle will be free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal home use for

3 years from the date of original purchase.

We suggest that you complete and return the enclosed warranty registration card promptly. However, return of the card is not a condition of this warranty and does not eliminate the need for the consumer to maintain the original receipt of purchase.

If your Cuisinart® Automatic Electric Kettle should prove to be defective within the warranty period, we will repair it, or replace if necessary, without charge to you except for a shipping and handling charge.

Your Cuisinart® Automatic Electric Kettle has been manufactured to the strictest specifications and has been designed for use only with authorized accessories and replacement parts. This warranty expressly excludes any defects or damages caused by accessories, replacement parts or repair service other than those which have been authorized by Cuisinart.

To obtain warranty service please call toll-free 1-800-726-0190 or write to Cuisinart, 150 Milford Road, East Windsor, NJ 08520.

To facilitate the speed and accuracy of your return, please also enclose \$5.00 US (California residents need only supply a proof of purchase and should call 1-800-726-0190 for shipping instructions). Please be sure to include a return address, description of the product's problem, product serial number, and any other information pertinent to the product's return. Please pay by check or money order.

This warranty does not cover any damage caused by accident, misuse, shipment or other than ordinary household use.

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