

## KRUPS FDE312

# KRUPS FDE312 Universal Grill and Panini Maker Instruction Manual

Brand: KRUPS | Model: FDE312

## INTRODUCTION

The KRUPS FDE312 Universal Grill and Panini Maker is designed for versatile cooking, allowing you to grill a variety of foods and prepare delicious panini sandwiches. Its non-stick cooking plates ensure easy food release and simplified cleaning. The floating hinge system automatically adjusts to accommodate different food thicknesses, providing even grilling. This manual provides essential information for the safe and effective operation, maintenance, and care of your appliance.

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW



**Figure 1:** KRUPS FDE312 Universal Grill and Panini Maker in closed position.

### Key Features:

- **Nonstick Cooking Plates:** Top and bottom grilling plates feature a nonstick coating for easy food release and simplified cleanup.
- **Floating Hinge System:** Automatically adjusts to the thickness of food, ensuring even cooking and optimal contact.
- **Versatile Use:** Capable of grilling various items including burgers, chicken, fish, steaks, and Italian-style sandwiches (panini).
- **Locking Latch:** Secures the unit for compact, upright storage.
- **Indicator Lights:** Provide visual cues for power and when the proper cooking temperature has been reached.

### SETUP

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1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove the appliance and all accessories from the packaging. Retain packaging for future storage or transport.
2. **Clean Plates:** Before first use, wipe the nonstick cooking plates with a damp cloth or sponge. Ensure they are completely dry.
3. **Position:** Place the grill on a stable, heat-resistant, and flat surface, away from walls or cabinets to allow for proper ventilation.
4. **Power Connection:** Ensure the appliance is unplugged before assembly. Plug the power cord into a suitable electrical outlet (120 Volts).

### OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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## Preheating:

1. Close the grill lid.
2. Plug in the appliance. The power indicator light will illuminate.
3. Allow the grill to preheat until the temperature indicator light switches off, signaling that the desired cooking temperature has been reached.

## Grilling Food:

1. Once preheated, carefully open the lid using the cool-touch handle.
2. Place your food (e.g., sandwich, meat) onto the bottom grilling plate.
3. Gently close the lid. The floating hinge will adjust to the food's thickness.
4. Cook for the desired amount of time, checking periodically for doneness.
5. Use heat-resistant, non-metallic utensils to remove food to avoid damaging the nonstick coating.
6. Unplug the appliance after use.

## Using as a Flat Grill/Griddle:

The KRUPS FDE312 can be opened 180 degrees to provide a larger, flat grilling surface. To do this:

1. Ensure the grill is unplugged and cool.
2. Locate the sliding lever on the side of the hinge.
3. Slide the lever to release the top plate, allowing it to lay flat alongside the bottom plate.
4. Plug in and preheat as usual. This configuration is ideal for cooking larger quantities or items that benefit from a flat surface.

## MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

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Proper cleaning ensures the longevity and performance of your KRUPS FDE312.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the appliance and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Clean Cooking Plates:** The nonstick cooking plates are designed for easy cleaning. Wipe them with a damp cloth or sponge. For stubborn residue, a small amount of mild dish soap can be used. Avoid abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads, as these can damage the nonstick surface.
3. **Drip Tray:** The integrated drip tray collects excess fats and liquids during cooking. Slide out the drip tray from the front of the unit, empty its contents, and wash it with warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry before reinserting.
4. **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the appliance with a soft, damp cloth. Do not immerse the appliance in water or any other liquid.
5. **Storage:** Once clean and dry, the grill can be stored upright using its locking latch for space-saving convenience.

## SPECIFICATIONS

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- **Brand:** KRUPS
- **Model Number:** FDE312 (Item model number: 2100024902)
- **Special Feature:** Non Stick Coating
- **Color:** Silver
- **Material:** Plastic (housing), Nonstick (plates)
- **Wattage:** 1200 watts
- **Voltage:** 120 Volts

- **Item Weight:** 9.46 Pounds
- **Product Dimensions:** 14.5 x 13.1 x 5.1 inches
- **Included Components:** Non-stick top and bottom grilling plates, Locking latch
- **Number of Settings:** 1

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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This KRUPS FDE312 Universal Grill and Panini Maker comes with a **limited warranty** against defects. For specific warranty details, service, or support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact KRUPS customer service. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase.