

Cuisinart DTC-975TC12BSS

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Model: DTC-975TC12BSS

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to your Cuisinart DTC-975TC12BSS Stainless Steel Thermal Carafe. This manual provides essential information for the proper use and care of your thermal carafe. This carafe is designed for use with compatible Cuisinart coffee makers, such as the Brew & Serve DTC-976 model, to keep your beverages hot for extended periods.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

Please read all instructions carefully before using your thermal carafe. Failure to follow these instructions may result in damage to the product or personal injury.

- Always handle the carafe with care, especially when it contains hot liquids.
- Do not immerse the carafe or lid in water or other liquids for cleaning unless specified.
- Keep the carafe out of reach of children when in use or when containing hot liquids.
- Do not place the carafe on a hot burner or in a microwave oven.
- Avoid using abrasive cleaners, steel wool, or other harsh materials that could scratch the stainless steel finish or damage the lid.

COMPONENTS

Your Cuisinart DTC-975TC12BSS Thermal Carafe consists of the following main components:

- **Thermal Carafe Body:** Constructed from brushed stainless steel for durability and heat retention.
- **Carafe Lid:** Black, designed to seal tightly and facilitate pouring.
- **Carafe Handle:** Black, ergonomically designed for comfortable grip.



Image: Cuisinart DTC-975TC12BSS Thermal Carafe, showing the stainless steel carafe with a black lid and handle, positioned within a coffee maker base.

SETUP

1. **Initial Cleaning:** Before first use, wash the thermal carafe body and lid with warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly with clean water and dry completely.
2. **Pre-warming (Optional):** For optimal heat retention, especially when serving hot beverages, you may pre-warm the carafe. Fill the carafe with hot tap water for a few minutes, then empty it before adding your brewed coffee or other hot liquid.
3. **Lid Attachment:** Ensure the carafe lid is securely threaded and tightened onto the carafe body. A

proper seal is crucial for maintaining beverage temperature and preventing leaks.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

This thermal carafe is designed to work seamlessly with compatible Cuisinart coffee makers, such as the DTC-976 Brew & Serve model.

- **Filling:** When used with a compatible coffee maker, the carafe will automatically receive the freshly brewed coffee. Ensure the carafe is correctly positioned on the coffee maker's warming plate or base before brewing.
- **Pouring:** To pour, rotate the carafe lid until the pour spout on the lid aligns with the carafe's pouring spout. The no-drip spout design helps minimize spills.
- **Heat Retention:** To maximize the heat retention of your beverage, ensure the lid is tightly closed and properly aligned when not actively pouring. The thermal insulation will keep your coffee hot for an extended period.

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures the longevity and performance of your thermal carafe.

1. **Daily Cleaning:** After each use, wash the carafe body and lid with warm, soapy water. Use a soft sponge or brush to clean the interior. Rinse thoroughly with clean water.
2. **Lid Cleaning:** The lid can be carefully disassembled for a more thorough cleaning. Gently unscrew the top part of the lid to access the internal ball mechanism. Clean all components with warm, soapy water, ensuring no coffee residue remains. Reassemble the lid, making sure the ball is correctly seated for proper function.
3. **Stain Removal:** For stubborn coffee stains inside the carafe, a mixture of baking soda and water can be used. Fill the carafe with the mixture, let it sit for a few hours or overnight, then scrub with a soft brush and rinse thoroughly. Alternatively, a specialized stainless steel cleaner designed for beverage containers may be used following the product's instructions.
4. **Drying:** Allow all parts of the carafe and lid to air dry completely before reassembly and storage to prevent odors or mildew.
5. **Avoid Abrasives:** Do not use abrasive cleaners, metal scouring pads, or harsh chemicals, as these can damage the stainless steel finish and internal components.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your thermal carafe, refer to the following common solutions:

- **Leaking from Lid:** Ensure the lid is correctly threaded and securely tightened onto the carafe body. Check for any coffee grounds or debris that might be preventing a proper seal. Verify the internal ball mechanism in the lid is correctly seated after cleaning.
- **Poor Heat Retention:** Confirm the lid is tightly closed when not pouring. Pre-warming the carafe with hot water before adding your beverage can significantly improve heat retention.
- **Difficulty Pouring:** Make sure the pour spout on the lid is aligned with the carafe's spout. If the lid mechanism feels stiff, disassemble and clean it thoroughly.

If problems persist, please refer to the support information provided with your Cuisinart coffee maker or contact Cuisinart customer service.

SPECIFICATIONS

- **Brand:** Cuisinart
- **Model Name:** DTC-975TC12BSS
- **Color:** Stainless Steel
- **Special Feature:** Thermal
- **Capacity:** 12 Cups
- **Product Dimensions:** 4 x 4 x 6 inches
- **Item Weight:** 0.01 ounces

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For detailed warranty information, product registration, or to contact customer support, please refer to the documentation included with your Cuisinart coffee maker or visit the official Cuisinart website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for warranty claims.