

AROMA ARC-2000ASB

Aroma Housewares ARC-2000ASB Professional Digital Rice Cooker Instruction Manual

Model: ARC-2000ASB

INTRODUCTION

This manual provides instructions for the safe and efficient operation of your Aroma Housewares ARC-2000ASB Professional Digital Rice Cooker. This appliance is designed for cooking various types of rice, steaming foods, and slow cooking. It features a 10-cup uncooked (20-cup cooked) capacity, digital controls, and an automatic Keep-Warm function.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

- Read all instructions before use.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plug, or the appliance body in water or other liquid.
- Close supervision is necessary when the appliance is used by or near children.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before putting on or taking off parts.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Contact customer service for examination, repair, or adjustment.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- Do not use outdoors.
- Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
- Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.

- Do not use the appliance for other than intended use.
- This appliance is for household use only.

PARTS IDENTIFICATION

Familiarize yourself with the components of your rice cooker:

- **Main Unit:** The primary housing of the appliance.
- **Non-stick Inner Pot:** Removable cooking pot with measurement markings.
- **Steam Tray:** For steaming foods above the cooking rice or liquids.
- **Lid:** Hinged lid with a steam vent.
- **Digital Control Panel:** Features buttons for various cooking functions and a display.
- **Rice Measuring Cup:** Standard 160ml cup for accurate rice measurement.
- **Serving Spatula:** Non-scratch utensil for serving rice.



Image: The Aroma Housewares ARC-2000ASB Digital Rice Cooker with the steamer tray inserted above the inner pot, which contains uncooked rice. The lid is open, showing the internal components. The control panel is visible on the front.

BEFORE FIRST USE

1. Read all instructions and important safeguards.
2. Remove all packaging materials and check that all items are received in good condition.
3. Wash the inner pot, steam tray, rice measuring cup, and serving spatula in warm, soapy water. Rinse and dry thoroughly.
4. Wipe the exterior of the rice cooker body with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the rice cooker body in water.

SETUP

1. Place the rice cooker on a dry, level, heat-resistant surface.
2. Ensure the inner pot is clean and dry before placing it into the main unit.
3. Plug the power cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet. The display will illuminate, indicating the cooker is ready for use.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The ARC-2000ASB features a user-friendly digital control panel for various cooking functions.



Image: A close-up view of the digital control panel on the Aroma Housewares ARC-2000ASB rice cooker. Buttons for

'Keep Warm', 'White Rice', 'Brown Rice', 'Quick Rice', 'Smart Steam', 'Low Slow Cook', 'High Slow Cook', and 'Delay Timer' are visible around a central digital display.

General Rice Cooking Steps:

1. Measure rice using the provided measuring cup. Rinse rice thoroughly until water runs clear.
2. Place rinsed rice into the inner pot.
3. Add water to the inner pot according to the measurement lines inside the pot, corresponding to the number of cups of rice used. For example, for 2 cups of white rice, fill water to the '2' line for white rice.
4. Close the lid securely.
5. Select the desired cooking function.
6. The cooker will automatically switch to Keep-Warm once cooking is complete.

Functions:

- **White Rice:** Press the 'White Rice' button to cook white rice. The cooker will automatically adjust cooking time and switch to Keep-Warm.
- **Brown Rice:** Press the 'Brown Rice' button for brown rice. This setting includes a pre-soak phase for optimal texture.
- **Quick Rice:** For faster cooking of white rice, press the 'Quick Rice' button. This setting reduces cooking time by up to 50%.
- **Smart Steam:** This function allows you to steam food with a programmable timer. Press 'Smart Steam', then use the '+' or '-' buttons to adjust the steaming time. The cooker will automatically shut off after the set time.
- **Slow Cook (High/Low):** Use for slow cooking recipes. Press 'Low' for low heat or 'High' for high heat slow cooking. The cooker will maintain the selected temperature for an extended period.
- **Delay Timer:** This feature allows you to program the cooker to start cooking at a later time. Select your desired cooking function (e.g., White Rice), then press 'Delay Timer' and use '+' or '-' to set the delay time. The cooker will start cooking after the set delay.
- **Keep Warm:** After cooking, the unit automatically switches to Keep-Warm. You can also manually select 'Keep Warm' to warm food.

Steaming Food:



Image: The Aroma Housewares ARC-2000ASB Digital Rice Cooker with the lid open, showing cooked chicken breasts and fresh asparagus spears in the steamer tray. This illustrates the Smart Steam function.

The steam tray can be used simultaneously with rice cooking or as a standalone steaming function.

1. Add water to the inner pot (approximately 1-2 cups for steaming only, or as required for rice).
2. Place food to be steamed into the steam tray.
3. Insert the steam tray into the inner pot.
4. Close the lid.
5. Select 'Smart Steam' and set the desired time, or select a rice cooking function if steaming simultaneously.

Slow Cooking:



Image: The Aroma Housewares ARC-2000ASB Digital Rice Cooker with the lid open, revealing a hearty stew with meat, potatoes, carrots, and celery cooking inside the inner pot. This demonstrates the slow cook capability.

The slow cook function is suitable for stews, soups, and other recipes requiring extended cooking times.

1. Add ingredients to the inner pot.
2. Close the lid.
3. Press either 'Low' or 'High' for the desired slow cook setting.
4. Monitor cooking progress as needed.

CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Proper cleaning ensures the longevity and performance of your rice cooker.

- Always unplug the unit and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
- The non-stick inner pot, steam tray, rice measuring cup, and serving spatula are dishwasher safe. Alternatively, wash them in warm, soapy water, rinse, and dry thoroughly.
- Wipe the exterior of the rice cooker body with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
- Never immerse the main unit in water or any other liquid.

- Ensure the steam vent on the lid is clear of any food debris. The steam vent cap can be removed for cleaning.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your rice cooker, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Rice is too dry or hard.	Insufficient water; rice not rinsed; incorrect rice-to-water ratio.	Ensure correct water levels using the inner pot markings and provided measuring cup. Rinse rice thoroughly before cooking.
Rice is too wet or mushy.	Excessive water; lid opened during cooking.	Reduce water slightly for next batch. Avoid opening the lid during cooking to retain steam.
Cooker does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outage; faulty outlet.	Check power cord connection. Test outlet with another appliance.
Food not steaming properly.	Insufficient water in inner pot; steam vent blocked.	Add adequate water to the inner pot. Clean the steam vent.
Delay Timer not working.	Function not selected before setting delay; time not confirmed.	Select a cooking function first, then set the delay time. Ensure the delay time is properly set and activated.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	AROMA
Model Number	ARC-2000ASB
Capacity	10 Cups (uncooked) / 20 Cups (cooked)
Product Dimensions	10.8"D x 10.8"W x 11.2"H
Power Source	Corded Electric
Voltage	120 Volts
Wattage	650 watts
Material	Stainless Steel (exterior), Plastic (lid)
Special Features	Automatic Shut Off, Non-Stick Inner Pot, Programmable, Removable Bowl, Timer
Included Components	Rice Cooker, Inner Pot, Steam Tray, Rice Measuring Cup, Serving Spatula

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact Aroma Housewares customer service directly. Keep your purchase receipt for proof of purchase.