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Model: DCC-3650C

1. INTRODUCTION

The Cuisinart DCC-3650C Extreme Brew 12-Cup Coffeemaker is designed to provide a fast and flavorful coffee experience. This appliance features advanced brewing technology, customizable settings, and user-friendly controls to ensure a perfect cup of coffee every time. Please read this manual thoroughly before using your coffeemaker to ensure safe and efficient operation.

Key Features:

- 12-Cup glass carafe with drip-free pour spout and wide grip handle.
- Extreme Brew feature for up to 25% faster brewing.
- Adjustable brewed coffee temperature control (regular, hot, extra-hot).
- Fully automatic with easy touchpad controls and 24-Hour Brew Start.
- Self-clean function and 1-4 Cup setting.
- Auto-off feature (0-4 hours).
- Brew Strength Control (regular or bold).
- Brew Pause feature for pouring a cup before brewing completes.
- 60-Second reset recalls settings in case of power loss.
- Includes gold-tone coffee filter and charcoal water filter.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

1. Read all instructions.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles and knobs.
3. To protect against electric shock, do not place cord, plug, or coffeemaker 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 the appliance.
6. 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. Return appliance to the nearest Cuisinart Repair Center for examination, repair, or adjustment.

7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Cuisinart may cause injuries.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let 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 water reservoir first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to OFF, 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.

3. PARTS AND FEATURES

Familiarize yourself with the components of your Cuisinart coffeemaker:



Image 1: Front view of the Cuisinart DCC-3650C Extreme Brew 12-Cup Coffeemaker. The image displays the brushed stainless steel finish, the digital display, control buttons, and the glass carafe in place on the warming plate.



Image 2: Close-up view of the Cuisinart DCC-3650C Coffeemaker, highlighting the control panel with its various buttons and digital clock display. The image shows the 'Cuisinart' branding prominently.

- **Water Reservoir:** Located at the back, with clear markings for cup levels.
- **Showerhead:** Distributes water evenly over coffee grounds for optimal extraction.
- **Filter Basket:** Holds the coffee grounds and filter. Easily removable for cleaning.
- **Control Panel:** Digital display and buttons for setting time, programming, brew strength, and other functions.
- **Glass Carafe:** 12-cup capacity with a comfortable handle and drip-free spout.
- **Warming Plate:** Keeps brewed coffee warm at your selected temperature.
- **Charcoal Water Filter:** Improves water quality for better-tasting coffee.
- **Gold-Tone Coffee Filter:** Reusable filter for coffee grounds.

4. SETUP

4.1 Initial Cleaning

1. Wash the carafe and filter basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly.
2. Wipe the exterior of the coffeemaker with a damp cloth.
3. Run a full cycle with only water (no coffee) to clean the internal components.

4.2 Installing Filters

1. **Charcoal Water Filter:** Remove the filter holder from the water reservoir. Soak the charcoal filter in cold tap water for 15 minutes. Insert the filter into the holder and snap it shut. Place the filter holder back into the water reservoir.
2. **Coffee Filter:** Place the gold-tone permanent filter (or a paper filter) into the filter basket.

4.3 Filling the Water Reservoir

1. Open the top lid of the coffeemaker.
2. Fill the glass carafe with the desired amount of cold, fresh water. Refer to the cup markings on the carafe.
3. Pour the water from the carafe into the water reservoir. Do not exceed the 12-cup maximum line.
4. Close the top lid securely.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

5.1 Basic Brewing

1. Ensure the coffeemaker is plugged into a grounded electrical outlet.

2. Add the desired amount of coffee grounds to the filter basket. A general guideline is 1 scoop of ground coffee per cup, but adjust to your preference.
3. Place the carafe on the warming plate.
4. Press the **BREW** button to start the brewing cycle. The indicator light will illuminate.
5. The coffeemaker will automatically shut off after the brewing cycle is complete and the auto-off timer expires.

5.2 Customizing Your Brew

- **Brew Strength Control:** Press the **BOLD** button before brewing for a stronger cup of coffee. The indicator light will illuminate.
- **1-4 Cup Setting:** If brewing 4 cups or less, press the **1-4 CUP** button before brewing. This optimizes the brewing process for smaller quantities.
- **Adjustable Coffee Temperature:** Use the temperature control dial to select your preferred warming plate temperature: Regular, Hot, or Extra-Hot.

5.3 Programming Brew Start

1. **Set Clock:** Press the **CLOCK** button, then use the **HOUR** and **MINUTE** buttons to set the current time. Press **CLOCK** again to confirm.
2. **Set Auto-On Time:** Press the **PROG** button, then use the **HOUR** and **MINUTE** buttons to set the desired time for brewing to start. Press **PROG** again to confirm.
3. Press the **AUTO ON** button to activate the programmed brew start. The indicator light will illuminate.

5.4 Brew Pause Feature

The Brew Pause feature allows you to temporarily stop the flow of coffee from the filter basket to pour a cup before the brewing cycle is complete. Simply remove the carafe from the warming plate. The flow will stop automatically. Return the carafe to the warming plate within 20 seconds to resume brewing and prevent overflow.

6. MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

6.1 Daily Cleaning

1. Always unplug the coffeemaker from the electrical outlet before cleaning.
2. Wash the glass carafe, carafe lid, and filter basket in warm, soapy water. These parts are also top-rack dishwasher safe.
3. Wipe the exterior of the coffeemaker with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleansers or scouring pads.

6.2 Self-Clean Function

The coffeemaker is equipped with a self-clean function to remove mineral deposits that can affect coffee flavor and brewing performance. It is recommended to run the self-clean cycle periodically, especially in areas with hard water.

1. Fill the water reservoir to the 12-cup line with a mixture of 1/3 white vinegar and 2/3 water.
2. Press the **CLEAN** button. The indicator light will illuminate.
3. The coffeemaker will run a cleaning cycle. Once complete, the indicator light will turn off.
4. Run two full cycles with fresh, cold water to rinse the coffeemaker thoroughly.

6.3 Replacing the Charcoal Water Filter

The charcoal water filter should be replaced every 60 days or after 60 uses, or more often if you have hard

water. A reminder indicator may appear on the display.

1. Remove the old charcoal filter from its holder.
2. Soak a new charcoal filter in cold tap water for 15 minutes.
3. Insert the new filter into the holder and snap it shut.
4. Place the filter holder back into the water reservoir.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If your coffeemaker is not functioning correctly, please consult the following common issues and solutions:

- **Coffee not brewing:** Ensure the coffeemaker is plugged in, the water reservoir is filled, and the carafe is correctly placed on the warming plate. Check if the **BREW** or **AUTO ON** function is activated.
- **Weak coffee:** Increase the amount of coffee grounds, select the **BOLD** brew strength setting, or ensure the charcoal water filter is not expired.
- **Coffee not hot enough:** Adjust the warming plate temperature setting to 'Hot' or 'Extra-Hot'. Ensure the carafe lid is properly seated.
- **Water leaking:** Check that the filter basket is correctly seated and the carafe is fully pushed into place. Ensure the water reservoir lid is closed properly.
- **Display not working:** Check the power connection. If there was a power interruption, the 60-Second Reset feature should restore settings. If not, unplug and replug the unit.

For issues not covered here, please contact Cuisinart Customer Service.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Brand	Cuisinart
Model Number	DCC-3650C
Capacity	12 Cups
Power/Wattage	1100 watts
Material	Glass (Carafe)
Product Dimensions	25.4 x 31.12 x 42.55 cm
Item Weight	3.95 kg
Special Features	Water Filter, Brew Strength Control, Programmable

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Cuisinart DCC-3650C Extreme Brew 12-Cup Coffeemaker comes with a **Limited 3-Year Warranty**. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal household use from the date of original purchase.

For warranty claims, technical support, or service inquiries, please refer to the contact information provided in your product packaging or visit the official Cuisinart website. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty validation.

