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Model: COMINHKPR103086

Brand: VonShef

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The VonShef Pasta Drying Rack is designed to facilitate the natural drying of fresh homemade pasta, including spaghetti and noodles. Constructed from sturdy beech wood, this freestanding rack features eight large arms, providing ample space for drying pasta efficiently. Its collapsible design allows for convenient storage when not in use.

This accessory is intended for indoor use and is a practical addition to any kitchen for pasta enthusiasts.



Figure 1.1: The VonShef Pasta Drying Rack fully assembled with fresh pasta drying on its arms.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

- Ensure the drying rack is placed on a stable, flat surface to prevent tipping, especially when loaded with pasta.
- Keep the rack away from direct heat sources, open flames, or excessive moisture to prevent damage to the wood.
- This product is made of natural wood. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners, which can damage the finish.
- Keep out of reach of children when not in use or during assembly to prevent accidental injury.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Upon opening the package, verify that all components are present and undamaged. The VonShef Pasta Drying Rack typically includes the following:

- 1 x Main vertical support post with base
- 1 x Horizontal top bar with holes for drying arms
- 8 x Individual drying arms (dowels)

If any parts are missing or damaged, please contact VonShef customer support.

4. SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

The VonShef Pasta Drying Rack is designed for easy assembly and disassembly for convenient storage. Follow these steps to set up your drying rack:

1. Unpack all components from the packaging.
2. Identify the main vertical support post, which forms the base of the rack. This piece typically has a slot or joint for the horizontal top bar.
3. Insert the horizontal top bar into the designated slot on the main vertical support post. Ensure it is securely seated. The rack should now stand upright.
4. Take each of the eight individual drying arms (dowels) and insert them into the pre-drilled holes on the horizontal top bar. Push them firmly until they are stable.
5. Once all arms are in place, the rack is ready for use. Ensure all connections are snug to maintain stability.



Figure 4.1: Components of the VonShef Pasta Drying Rack before assembly.



Figure 4.2: The VonShef Pasta Drying Rack fully assembled and ready for use.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Using the VonShef Pasta Drying Rack is straightforward. Follow these guidelines for optimal pasta drying:

- 1. Prepare Your Pasta:** After making fresh pasta, ensure it is lightly floured to prevent sticking.
- 2. Hang the Pasta:** Carefully drape strands of fresh pasta over the individual drying arms. Distribute the pasta evenly across all eight arms to ensure balanced drying and prevent overcrowding. Avoid overlapping too much pasta on a single arm to allow for proper air circulation.
- 3. Drying Location:** Place the loaded drying rack in a well-ventilated area at room temperature, away from direct sunlight or drafts.
- 4. Drying Time:** The drying time will vary depending on the thickness of your pasta, humidity, and room temperature. Generally, pasta should dry for at least 30 minutes to several hours, or until it is firm and brittle. For longer storage, pasta may need to dry for 12-24 hours.
- 5. Storage:** Once completely dry, the pasta can be stored in an airtight container at room temperature for several weeks.



Figure 5.1: The pasta drying rack in use, demonstrating how fresh pasta is hung for drying.

6. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

To ensure the longevity of your VonShef Pasta Drying Rack, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** After each use, wipe down the wooden components with a clean, damp cloth. Do not submerge the rack in water or wash it in a dishwasher, as this can cause the wood to warp, crack, or swell.
- **Drying:** Allow the rack to air dry completely before disassembling and storing.
- **Wood Care:** Periodically, you may apply a food-safe mineral oil to the wood to maintain its finish and prevent it from drying out. Wipe off any excess oil.
- **Storage:** When not in use, disassemble the rack and store it in a dry place, away from extreme temperatures or humidity. Its collapsible design allows it to fold flat for compact storage.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Rack feels unstable or wobbly.	Components not fully seated; uneven surface; excessive weight on one side.	Ensure all parts (base, top bar, arms) are firmly inserted. Place the rack on a flat, level surface. Distribute pasta evenly across all arms.
Pasta sticking to the arms.	Insufficient flour on pasta; high humidity; overcrowding.	Lightly flour fresh pasta before hanging. Ensure adequate spacing between pasta strands. Dry in a well-ventilated area.
Wood appears dry or dull.	Lack of regular maintenance.	Apply a food-safe mineral oil to the wood periodically to restore its luster and protect it.
Difficulty disassembling for storage.	Parts may be snug due to wood expansion/contraction or flour residue.	Gently twist and pull components. Ensure the rack is clean and dry before attempting to disassemble. Avoid forcing parts.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Model Number: COMINHKPR103086

Material: Beech Wood

Dimensions (Assembled): Approximately 15.75 x 11.81 x 6.3 inches (40 x 30 x 16 cm)

Item Weight: Approximately 1.1 pounds (500 grams)

Features: Collapsible, Freestanding, 8 Drying Arms

Recommended Use: Drying homemade pasta (spaghetti, noodles, fettuccine, etc.)

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For any questions regarding your VonShef Pasta Drying Rack, including product support or warranty information, please contact VonShef customer service. Details can typically be found on the official VonShef website or through your point of purchase.

Please retain your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

For more information, visit the official VonShef store: [VonShef Store on Amazon](#)