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Model: SS-15P1 | **Brand:** Cuisinart

INTRODUCTION

The Cuisinart Coffee Center SS-15P1 is a versatile appliance designed to cater to both individual coffee needs and larger gatherings. It combines a fully automatic 12-cup coffeemaker with a single-serve brewer, offering convenience and gourmet taste in one compact unit. This manual provides detailed instructions for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your Cuisinart Coffee Center.



Figure 1: Front view of the Cuisinart Coffee Center SS-15P1. This image displays the dual functionality of the appliance, featuring the 12-cup carafe on the left and the single-serve brewing station on the right, both integrated into a single unit.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

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

- Read all instructions before operating the appliance.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles and knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not place cord, plug, or base unit in water or other liquids.
- Close supervision is necessary when any 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, and before cleaning the appliance.
- 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.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Cuisinart 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.
- 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.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW AND COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the various parts of your Cuisinart Coffee Center for optimal use.



Figure 2: Key components of the Cuisinart Coffee Center SS-15P1. This diagram highlights the Gold-Tone Filter for the carafe side, the programmable controls, the 12-cup glass carafe, the HomeBarista Reusable Filter Cup for the single-serve side, the single-serve brewer mechanism, and the removable drip tray designed to accommodate travel mugs.

- **12-Cup Glass Carafe:** Features a stainless steel accent on the handle.
- **Gold-Tone Filter:** A reusable filter for the 12-cup side, ensuring easy brewing.

- **Programmable Controls:** Includes 24-hour advanced brew start, self-clean function, and BOLD setting.
- **Single-Serve Brewer:** Brews 6, 8, or 10 oz. options, compatible with most single-serve coffee pods.
- **HomeBarista Reusable Filter Cup:** Allows use of your own ground coffee for single servings.
- **Removable Drip Tray:** Lifts off to fit most travel mugs.
- **40oz Removable Water Reservoir:** For the single-serve side.
- **Charcoal Water Filter:** For both carafe and single-serve sides, ensuring purer coffee taste.

SETUP AND FIRST USE

Before using your Cuisinart Coffee Center for the first time, it is important to clean the unit thoroughly.

1. **Unpack:** Carefully unpack the coffee maker and remove all packaging materials.
2. **Clean Components:** Wash the 12-cup glass carafe, carafe lid, reusable gold-tone filter, HomeBarista reusable filter cup, and removable drip tray in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
3. **Install Charcoal Water Filter:** If not already installed, place the charcoal water filter into its holder in the water reservoir.
4. **Initial Cleaning Cycle (12-Cup Side):**
 - Fill the 12-cup water reservoir with cold water to the 12-cup mark.
 - Place the carafe with its lid on the heating plate.
 - Press the "CLEAN" button. The clean indicator light will illuminate.
 - Allow the cycle to complete. Discard the water from the carafe.
5. **Initial Cleaning Cycle (Single-Serve Side):**
 - Fill the 40oz removable water reservoir with cold water.
 - Place a large mug or cup on the drip tray.
 - Press the "CLEAN" button for the single-serve side. The clean indicator light will illuminate.
 - Allow the cycle to complete. Discard the water from the mug.
6. Your Cuisinart Coffee Center is now ready for use.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Brewing 12-Cup Carafe

1. **Fill Water Reservoir:** Open the reservoir cover and fill the 12-cup water reservoir with cold, fresh water to the desired level using the water level indicator.
2. **Add Coffee Grounds:** Insert the reusable gold-tone filter into the filter basket. Add the desired amount of ground coffee (approximately 1 scoop per cup, adjust to taste). Close the filter basket cover.
3. **Place Carafe:** Ensure the glass carafe with its lid is properly placed on the heating plate.
4. **Select Brew Strength (Optional):** Press the "BOLD" button if you prefer a stronger coffee flavor.
5. **Start Brewing:** Press the "BREW" button. The brew indicator light will illuminate, and brewing will begin.
6. **Brew Pause Feature:** You can temporarily remove the carafe during the brewing cycle to pour a cup. The flow of coffee will stop automatically. Replace the carafe within 20 seconds to prevent overflow.
7. **Keep Warm:** The heating plate will keep the coffee warm after brewing. The "WARM" indicator light will be on. You can adjust the carafe temperature using the "CARAFE TEMP" dial (L, M, H).

8. **Auto-Off:** The coffeemaker will automatically shut off after a set period (adjustable from 0-4 hours).

Brewing Single Serve

			
2-IN-1 COFFEE CENTER	FULLY PROGRAMMABLE	SINGLE-SERVE BREWER	DURABLE FILTERS
Features a 12-cup coffeemaker on one side, and a single-serve coffeemaker on the other, with a convenient 40 ounce removable water reservoir.	Fully automatic with 24-hour programmability, self-clean, bold coffee option, temperature control, and auto off (0-4 hours).	Three serving sizes – 6 ounces, 8 ounces, or 10 ounces – compatible with any single cup pods. Includes Cuisinart HomeBarista® Reusable Filter Cup for ground coffee.	Charcoal water filter and gold-tone coffee filter ensure purest coffee taste. Also included: Cuisinart HomeBarista® Reusable Filter Cup, which lets you use your own coffee.

Figure 3: Single-serve brewing in action. This image illustrates the single-serve side of the Cuisinart Coffee Center actively dispensing coffee into a mug, demonstrating its individual brewing capability.

1. **Fill Water Reservoir:** Ensure the 40oz removable water reservoir on the single-serve side is filled with cold, fresh water.
2. **Insert Pod or Grounds:**
 - For single-serve pods (e.g., K-Cup pods): Lift the handle, insert the pod into the holder, and lower the handle firmly.
 - For your own ground coffee: Insert the HomeBarista reusable filter cup into the holder, add desired amount of ground coffee, and lower the handle firmly.
3. **Place Mug:** Place your mug or travel mug on the drip tray. The drip tray can be removed to accommodate taller travel mugs.
4. **Select Brew Size:** Choose your desired brew size by pressing the 6 oz, 8 oz, or 10 oz button.
5. **Start Brewing:** The selected button will illuminate, and brewing will begin.
6. **Completion:** Brewing will stop automatically when the selected volume is dispensed.

Programming Features

- **Setting the Clock:**
 - Press the "CLOCK" button.
 - Use the "HR" and "MIN" buttons to set the current time. Hold to scroll quickly.
 - Press "CLOCK" again to confirm, or wait 5 seconds for it to set automatically.
- **Setting Auto-On (Program Brew):**

- Prepare the 12-cup coffeemaker side as if brewing immediately (water, coffee, carafe in place).
- Press the "PROG" button. The program indicator light will flash.
- Use the "HR" and "MIN" buttons to set the desired brew start time.
- Press "PROG" again to confirm. The program indicator light will glow steadily.

• **Adjusting Auto-Off Time:**

- Press the "AUTO OFF" button. The auto-off indicator light will flash.
- Use the "HR" and "MIN" buttons to set the desired auto-off time (0-4 hours).
- Press "AUTO OFF" again to confirm. The auto-off indicator light will glow steadily.

MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your coffee maker.

• **Daily Cleaning:**

- Always unplug the appliance before cleaning.
- Wash the carafe, carafe lid, reusable gold-tone filter, HomeBarista reusable filter cup, and drip tray in warm, soapy water after each use. These parts are also top-rack dishwasher safe.
- Wipe the exterior of the unit with a clean, damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water.

• **Self-Clean Function (Descaling):**

Mineral deposits (calcium) can build up in your coffee maker and affect its performance. The "CLEAN" function helps remove these deposits.

- a. Fill the 12-cup water reservoir with a mixture of 1/3 white vinegar and 2/3 water.
- b. Place the empty carafe on the heating plate.
- c. Press the "CLEAN" button for the 12-cup side. The clean indicator light will illuminate.
- d. After the cycle completes, run 2-3 cycles with fresh cold water to rinse thoroughly.
- e. For the single-serve side, fill its 40oz reservoir with the same vinegar/water solution. Place a large mug. Press the "CLEAN" button for the single-serve side. Run 2-3 cycles with fresh water afterwards.

- **Charcoal Water Filter Replacement:** Replace the charcoal water filter every 60 days or after 60 uses, or more often if you have hard water.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Refer to this section for common issues and their solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee does not brew.	Unit not plugged in; water reservoir empty; brew button not pressed; program brew set.	Ensure unit is plugged in. Fill water reservoir. Press the appropriate brew button. Check if program brew is active.
Coffee is too weak or too strong.	Incorrect coffee-to-water ratio; grind size too coarse/fine; BOLD setting not used/used.	Adjust coffee amount. Use a medium grind for drip coffee. Use BOLD setting for stronger coffee.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Water/coffee overflows from filter basket.	Too much coffee grounds; filter basket not seated correctly; carafe not on heating plate; clogged filter.	Reduce coffee amount. Ensure filter basket is properly seated. Place carafe correctly. Clean filter or replace if disposable.
Single-serve pod not piercing correctly.	Pod not seated properly; handle not fully lowered.	Ensure pod is firmly seated. Lower handle completely until it clicks.
"CLEAN" light illuminates.	Indicates mineral buildup (descaling needed).	Perform the self-clean (descaling) procedure as described in the Maintenance section.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Cuisinart
Model Name	SS-15P1 Coffeemaker and Single-Serve Brewer
Color	Stainless Steel, Black
Product Dimensions	10.13"D x 10.38"W x 14.25"H
Coffee Maker Type	Drip Coffee Machine
Special Features	Auto Clean Function, Programmable
Operation Mode	Manual
Voltage	120V
Item Weight	12.2 pounds
Included Components	Coffeemaker unit, 12-cup glass carafe, Instruction book

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Cuisinart products are manufactured to the highest standards and are designed for both ease of use and maximum durability. For detailed warranty information and customer support, please refer to the official Cuisinart website or the warranty card included with your product.

An official User Manual in PDF format is also available for download:

Download User Manual
(PDF)

For further assistance, please contact Cuisinart Customer Service.

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My removable water reservoir in the one cup side of my Cuisinart SS-15P1 is leaking; can I get a replacement?

Yes, you can obtain a replacement for the 40oz removable water reservoir used on the single-serve side of your Cuisinart SS-15P1 Coffee Center. According to the manual, replacement parts and accessories can be purchased through...

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