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Model: KFC3516CU | Brand: KitchenAid

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

This compact and lightweight KitchenAid 3.5 Cup Food Chopper (Model KFC3516CU) is designed for everyday use, offering efficient chopping, mixing, and pureeing capabilities. It is ideal for quickly preparing fresh ingredients, making baby food, or creating sauces and dressings.



Figure 1: The KitchenAid 3.5 Cup Food Chopper in Contour Silver, showcasing its compact design.

Key Features:

- **Convenient 3.5 cup work bowl:** Features a locking blade, handle, and pour spout for easy serving. Dishwasher-safe for quick clean up.
- **Compact and Countertop Friendly:** Small footprint with simple cord wrap for easy storage.
- **2 Speeds and Pulse Function:** Allows for coarse or fine results, suitable for various preparations from chunky salsa to smooth sauces.

- **Drizzle Basin:** Enables easy incorporation of liquid ingredients while processing, perfect for dressings and condiments.
- **Stainless Steel Multi-Purpose Blade:** Locks in place for convenient pouring and precise chopping or pureeing.

SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Before first use, wash all parts except the motor base in warm, soapy water or in the dishwasher. Rinse thoroughly and dry.

1. Place the motor base on a clean, dry, flat surface.
2. Carefully place the stainless steel multi-purpose blade onto the blade shaft inside the work bowl. Ensure it is seated properly.
3. Place the work bowl onto the motor base, aligning the tabs on the bottom of the bowl with the slots on the base. Twist clockwise until it locks into place.
4. Add your ingredients to the work bowl. Do not overfill past the maximum fill line.
5. Place the lid onto the work bowl, aligning the lid tab with the handle. Twist clockwise until the lid locks securely. The chopper will not operate unless the lid is properly locked.



Figure 2: The KitchenAid Food Chopper fully assembled and ready for use.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The KitchenAid 3.5 Cup Food Chopper features two speed settings and a pulse function for precise control over your chopping and pureeing tasks.

Using the Control Lever:

- **Chop Setting:** Slide the control lever to the "Chop" position for coarser results, ideal for ingredients like onions, nuts, or herbs.
- **Puree Setting:** Slide the control lever to the "Puree" position for finer results, suitable for making smooth sauces, baby food, or dressings.

Activating the Chopper:

Once the work bowl and lid are securely locked and the desired setting is selected, press and hold the pulse/on button located on the handle to activate the blade. Release the button to stop processing.



Figure 3: Top view showing the multi-purpose blade and the chop/puree selector switch.

Drizzle Basin Function:

For adding liquids while processing, such as oil for mayonnaise or dressings, slowly pour the liquid through the small opening in the lid's drizzle basin. This allows for continuous processing and emulsification.



Figure 4: The food chopper actively processing ingredients on a kitchen counter.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Proper care ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your KitchenAid Food Chopper.

Cleaning:

- Always unplug the food chopper before cleaning.
- The work bowl, lid, and multi-purpose blade are **dishwasher-safe** (top rack recommended).
- The motor base should be wiped clean with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the motor base in water or other liquids.
- Ensure all parts are completely dry before reassembling or storing.

Storage:

The compact design allows for easy storage. The cord can be wrapped neatly around the base to minimize clutter.



Figure 5: Product dimensions for storage reference.

If you encounter any issues with your KitchenAid Food Chopper, please refer to the following common solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Chopper does not turn on.	Not plugged in; Lid or work bowl not properly locked.	Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Verify that the work bowl and lid are fully twisted and locked into position.
Ingredients are not chopping evenly.	Overfilling the bowl; Ingredients are too large.	Reduce the amount of ingredients in the bowl. Cut larger ingredients into smaller, more uniform pieces before processing. Use the pulse function for better control.
Motor sounds strained.	Overloading the motor; Processing hard ingredients.	Do not overload the chopper. Process hard ingredients in smaller batches. If the motor overheats, unplug and allow it to cool down for 30 minutes before resuming use.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	KitchenAid
Model Name	KitchenAid® 3.5 Cup Food Chopper
Item Model Number	KFC3516CU
Color	Contour Silver
Bowl Capacity	3.5 Cups
Number of Speeds	2 (Chop, Puree) + Pulse
Blade Material	Stainless Steel
Product Dimensions	5.95"D x 7"W x 8.74"H
Item Weight	2.7 pounds
Power Source	AC
Dishwasher Safe Parts	Work Bowl, Lid, Chopping Blade

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For detailed warranty information and customer support, please refer to the official KitchenAid documentation or contact their customer service.

Additional resources:

- Official User Manual (PDF): [Download Here](#)
- Official User Guide (PDF): [Download Here](#)
- Visit the KitchenAid Store: [KitchenAid Amazon Store](#)

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