

Janome HD 718

Janome HD 718 Sewing Machine User Manual

Model: HD 718

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for choosing the Janome HD 718 Sewing Machine. This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, setup, and maintenance of your new sewing machine. Please read these instructions thoroughly before using the machine to ensure optimal performance and longevity.

2. SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Always unplug the machine from the electrical outlet immediately after using, before cleaning, or when making any user servicing adjustments.
- Keep fingers away from all moving parts. Special care is required around the sewing machine needle.
- Use the correct needle plate. The wrong plate can cause the needle to break.
- Do not pull or push fabric while stitching. This may deflect the needle, causing it to break.
- Turn the sewing machine off when making any adjustments in the needle area, such as threading the needle, changing the needle, threading the bobbin, or changing the presser foot.
- Never operate the machine with any air openings blocked. Keep ventilation openings of the sewing machine and foot controller free from the accumulation of lint, dust, and loose cloth.
- Do not operate where aerosol (spray) products are being used or where oxygen is being administered.

3. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Janome HD 718 is a robust sewing machine designed for various sewing tasks. It features a rotary hook mechanism and offers a range of functions to enhance your sewing experience.

Key Features:

- 18 utility and elastic stitches for diverse projects.
- One-step automatic buttonhole for consistent results.
- Stitch locking button for secure seams.

- Automatic bobbin winding for convenience.
- Colored stitch selection and presser foot indicator for ease of use.
- Double presser foot lift for thicker fabrics.
- Adjustable stitch length and width.
- Adjustable thread tension.

Machine Components:



Figure 3.1: Front view of the Janome HD 718 sewing machine, showing the stitch selection dial, stitch length and width adjustments, and the needle area.



Figure 3.2: Side view of the Janome HD 718 sewing machine, highlighting the power switch and the foot pedal connection port.



Figure 3.3: The Janome HD 718 sewing machine shown with its protective hard cover, ideal for storage and transport.



Figure 3.4: The hard cover for the Janome HD 718 sewing machine, designed to protect the machine from dust and damage.

4. SETUP

4.1 Unpacking

Carefully remove the machine from its packaging. Retain all packaging materials for future storage or transport. Ensure all accessories listed in the packing list are present.

4.2 Power Connection

1. Place the machine on a stable, flat surface.
2. Connect the foot controller plug into the machine's foot controller socket.
3. Insert the power supply plug into the machine's power socket, then into a suitable electrical outlet.
4. Turn on the power switch, usually located on the side of the machine (refer to Figure 3.2).

4.3 Threading the Machine

4.3.1 Winding the Bobbin

1. Place a spool of thread on the spool pin.
2. Guide the thread through the bobbin winding tension disc.
3. Place the empty bobbin onto the bobbin winder spindle.
4. Wrap the thread around the bobbin a few times, then push the spindle to the right.

5. Press the foot controller to start winding. The machine will stop automatically when the bobbin is full.
6. Cut the thread and remove the bobbin.

4.3.2 Inserting the Bobbin

1. Open the bobbin cover plate.
2. Insert the wound bobbin into the bobbin case, ensuring the thread unwinds in the correct direction (usually counter-clockwise).
3. Pull the thread through the tension spring and into the thread guide.
4. Replace the bobbin cover plate.

4.3.3 Upper Threading

1. Raise the presser foot lifter.
2. Place the spool of thread on the spool pin.
3. Follow the numbered threading path indicated on the machine, guiding the thread through all guides and tension discs.
4. Bring the thread down through the take-up lever.
5. Thread the needle from front to back.
6. Pull the bobbin thread up through the needle plate hole by turning the handwheel towards you to lower and raise the needle.

4.4 Needle Installation

1. Turn off the power switch.
2. Loosen the needle clamp screw.
3. Remove the old needle.
4. Insert the new needle with the flat side facing the back of the machine, pushing it up as far as it will go.
5. Tighten the needle clamp screw securely.

5. OPERATING THE MACHINE

5.1 Stitch Selection

The Janome HD 718 offers 18 different stitches. To select a stitch, turn the stitch selection dial (refer to Figure 3.1) to the desired stitch number. The machine also indicates the recommended presser foot for each stitch.

5.2 Adjusting Stitch Length and Width

Use the stitch length and width adjustment dials, located on the top front of the machine (refer to Figure 3.1), to fine-tune your stitches. Adjustments should be made according to the fabric type and desired stitch appearance.

5.3 Thread Tension Adjustment

The thread tension dial controls the balance between the upper and lower threads. Adjust as needed to achieve a balanced stitch where neither thread is pulling through to the opposite side of the fabric.

5.4 One-Step Automatic Buttonhole

To create a buttonhole:

1. Attach the automatic buttonhole foot.
2. Place the button you are using into the buttonhole foot's holder.
3. Select the buttonhole stitch on the stitch selection dial.
4. Lower the buttonhole lever.
5. Begin sewing. The machine will automatically sew the buttonhole to the correct size.

5.5 Sewing Basics

- Place the fabric under the presser foot.
- Lower the presser foot.
- Turn the handwheel towards you to lower the needle into the fabric at the starting point.
- Press the foot controller to begin sewing.
- To reverse stitch (backtack), press and hold the reverse lever/button.
- When finished, raise the needle to its highest position, lift the presser foot, and pull the fabric away. Cut the threads using the thread cutter.

6. MAINTENANCE

6.1 Cleaning

Regular cleaning helps maintain your machine's performance. Always unplug the machine before cleaning.

- **Lint Removal:** Use a small brush to remove lint and dust from the bobbin area and under the needle plate.
- **Exterior Cleaning:** Wipe the exterior surfaces with a soft, dry cloth. Do not use harsh chemicals or abrasive cleaners.

6.2 Troubleshooting

Here are solutions to common issues:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Skipped Stitches	Incorrect needle, bent needle, improper threading.	Change needle, re-thread machine correctly.
Thread Breakage	Incorrect thread tension, poor quality thread, improperly wound bobbin, burr on needle plate.	Adjust tension, use quality thread, re-wind bobbin, check for burrs.
Machine Not Starting	Power not connected, foot controller not plugged in, bobbin winder engaged.	Check power and foot controller connections, disengage bobbin winder.
Uneven Stitches	Incorrect thread tension, wrong presser foot, inconsistent fabric feeding.	Adjust tension, use appropriate presser foot, guide fabric gently.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

- **Brand:** Janome

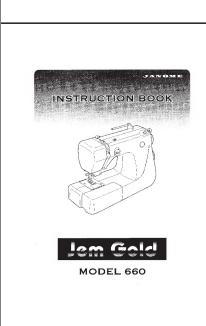
- **Model Number:** HD 718
- **Material:** Aluminum
- **Color:** White
- **Dimensions (Package):** 50.2 x 42 x 25.4 cm
- **Item Weight:** 9.94 Kilograms
- **Power Source:** Electric Cable
- **Electric:** Yes
- **UPC:** 711668386916

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Specific warranty information for the Janome HD 718 sewing machine is not provided in the product data. For details regarding warranty coverage, service, or technical support, please contact your retailer or the official Janome customer service in your region. Always retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

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