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De'Longhi CGH912C

De'Longhi Electric Indoor Grill

Model: CGH912C User Manual

Introduction

Thank you for choosing the De'Longhi Electric Indoor Grill, Model CGH912C. This appliance is designed for versatile indoor cooking, allowing you to prepare a variety of dishes from grilled meats to paninis. To ensure safe and optimal performance, please read this manual thoroughly before using the appliance and retain it for future reference.

Important Safety Instructions

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

- Read all instructions before use.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or appliance in water or other liquid.
- 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.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair, or adjustment.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer 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.
- Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
- Always attach plug to appliance 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.
- This product contains chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Product Overview

The De'Longhi CGH912C Electric Indoor Grill is designed for versatility and ease of use. Below is an illustration of the main

components.



Figure 1: De'Longhi CGH912C Electric Indoor Grill. This image shows the grill in its closed position, highlighting its sleek silver and black design. The sturdy handle is visible at the top, and the three control knobs are clearly displayed on the front panel, indicating temperature and function settings. The base features a brushed stainless steel finish.

Key Components:

- **Main Unit:** The body of the grill housing the heating elements and controls.
- **Cooking Plates:** Includes two sets of interchangeable plates: grill plates and griddle plates. These are removable for easy cleaning.
- **Handles:** Cool-touch handles for safe operation and opening/closing the grill.
- **Control Knobs:** Located on the front panel, these control temperature and cooking functions.
- **Oil Drainage System:** Integrated system to facilitate the drainage of grease and fat into collection cups.
- **Oil Drainage Collectors:** Two removable cups to collect excess oil.
- **Spatula:** Included for use with the non-stick plates.

Setup and Initial Use

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the grill and all accessories from the packaging. Retain packaging for storage or future transport.
2. **Initial Cleaning:** Before first use, wipe the exterior of the grill with a damp cloth. Remove the cooking plates and oil drainage collectors. Wash the plates and collectors in warm, soapy water, rinse thoroughly, and dry completely. The plates are dishwasher safe.
3. **Plate Installation:** Ensure the grill is unplugged and cool. Insert the desired cooking plates (grill or griddle) into their respective slots until they click securely into place. Use the release buttons on the side to remove plates.
4. **Positioning:** Place the grill on a stable, heat-resistant, and flat surface, away from walls or heat-sensitive materials. Ensure adequate ventilation around the appliance.

5. **Oil Collectors:** Place the two oil drainage collectors securely under the drainage spouts at the front of the grill.

Operating Instructions

The De'Longhi CGH912C offers five versatile cooking functions:

- **Contact Grill:** Ideal for cooking meat, fish, and vegetables quickly. The top plate rests directly on the food.
- **Panini Press:** Perfect for pressing sandwiches, paninis, and quesadillas. The floating hinge allows the top plate to adjust to the thickness of the food.
- **Full Grill:** Open the grill flat to double the cooking surface, using both grill plates. Suitable for larger quantities of food.
- **Full Griddle:** Open the grill flat, using both griddle plates. Excellent for pancakes, eggs, bacon, and other breakfast items.
- **Half Grill/Half Griddle:** Open the grill flat with one grill plate and one griddle plate installed, allowing for simultaneous cooking of different food types.

Cooking Steps:

1. **Plug In:** Plug the power cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet.
2. **Select Function:** Adjust the grill's configuration (closed for Contact Grill/Panini Press, or open flat for Full Grill/Griddle/Half Grill-Half Griddle).
3. **Set Temperature:** Use the control knobs to select the desired temperature. The indicator light will illuminate during preheating and turn off when the set temperature is reached.
4. **Preheat:** Allow the grill to preheat for approximately 5-10 minutes, or until the indicator light turns off.
5. **Place Food:** Carefully place food onto the cooking plates. Avoid overcrowding.
6. **Cook:** Cook food according to recipe or desired doneness. The oil drainage system will collect excess fats into the drainage cups.
7. **Remove Food:** Use the included spatula or heat-resistant utensils to remove cooked food. Do not use metal utensils that could scratch the non-stick coating.
8. **Unplug:** After cooking, turn the temperature control to "OFF" and unplug the appliance from the wall outlet. Allow the grill to cool completely before cleaning.

Maintenance and Cleaning

Regular cleaning ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your grill.

- **Always unplug the grill and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.**
- **Cooking Plates:** The Durastone ceramic coated plates are removable and dishwasher safe. For stubborn food residue, soak the plates in warm, soapy water before washing. Do not use abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads.
- **Oil Drainage Collectors:** Empty and wash the oil drainage collectors after each use. They are also dishwasher safe.
- **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the grill with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or immerse the main unit in water.
- **Storage:** Ensure the grill is clean and dry before storing. Store in a cool, dry place. The grill can be stored vertically to save space.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your De'Longhi Electric Indoor Grill, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution

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Grill does not heat up.	Not plugged in; power outlet issue; temperature knob set to OFF.	Ensure the grill is securely plugged into a working outlet. Check the circuit breaker. Turn the temperature knob to a desired setting.
Food sticks to plates.	Plates not properly seasoned; insufficient preheating; food not suitable for non-stick.	Ensure plates are clean and dry. Preheat thoroughly. Lightly brush plates with cooking oil if necessary for certain foods.
Smoke or strong odor during initial use.	Protective coating burning off.	This is normal for first use. Ensure good ventilation. It should dissipate after a few minutes.
Indicator light not working.	Appliance not powered; bulb malfunction.	Check power connection. If the grill heats but the light doesn't work, contact customer support.

Specifications

- **Model:** CGH912C
- **Power:** 120 Volts, 1500 Watts
- **Dimensions (L x W x H):** 13.4 x 12.2 x 6.49 inches
- **Weight:** 12.8 pounds
- **Material:** Alloy Steel (body), Durastone Ceramic (plates)
- **Color:** Silver
- **Special Features:** Cool Touch Handles, Electric Operation, 5 Cooking Functions, Removable Dishwasher-Safe Plates, Oil Drain System
- **Included Components:** Electric Contact Grill, Spatula, 2 Oil Drainage Collectors

Warranty and Support

This De'Longhi appliance comes with a limited warranty. For detailed warranty information, terms, and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official De'Longhi website. For technical assistance, replacement parts, or customer service inquiries, please contact De'Longhi customer support through their official channels.
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