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User Instruction Manual

1. Introduction

Thank you for choosing the NutriChef PKTEWC180 Compressor Wine Cooler Refrigerator. This appliance is designed to provide optimal storage conditions for your red and white wines, ensuring they are kept at the perfect temperature for enjoyment. Its compact, freestanding design makes it a suitable addition to various home environments, including kitchens, living rooms, or home offices.

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, installation, and maintenance of your wine cooler. Please read it thoroughly before use and retain it for future reference.

2. Safety Instructions

To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, or injury when using your wine cooler, follow these basic precautions:

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- Do not touch cold surfaces, especially when the appliance is operating.
- Ensure the appliance is properly grounded.
- Do not use the appliance if the power cord is damaged.
- Keep ventilation openings clear of obstruction.
- Do not store explosive substances such as aerosol cans with a flammable propellant in this appliance.
- Unplug the appliance before cleaning or performing maintenance.
- This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

3. Product Overview

The NutriChef PKTEWC180 is a compact compressor wine cooler designed for efficient and quiet operation. Key features include:

- 15-bottle storage capacity.
- Precision compressor cooling technology.

- Adjustable digital touch display for temperature control (Celsius/Fahrenheit).
- Integrated LED light with power control.
- Reinforced glass door with air-tight seal.
- Built-in circulation fan and ventilation grill.
- Freestanding design for versatile placement.
- Ultra-quiet operation.
- Polished Chrome wine racks for vertical and horizontal shelving.



Figure 3.1: Front view of the NutriChef PKTEWC180 Wine Cooler, showcasing its sleek design and glass door.



Figure 3.2: Interior view of the wine cooler, illustrating the wire shelving system designed for efficient bottle storage.

4. Setup

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove the wine cooler from its packaging. Retain the packaging materials for future transport if needed.
2. **Placement:** Place the unit on a flat, stable surface. Ensure there is adequate ventilation around the appliance. Allow at least 5 inches (12.7 cm) of space on the back and sides, and 10 inches (25.4 cm) on the top for proper air circulation. Avoid placing the unit in direct sunlight or near heat sources.
3. **Leveling:** Adjust the leveling legs at the bottom of the unit to ensure it is perfectly level. This is crucial for proper door sealing and efficient operation.
4. **Initial Power-On:** Before plugging in, allow the unit to stand upright for at least 2-4 hours. This allows the refrigerant to settle.
5. **Power Connection:** Plug the power cable into a dedicated, grounded electrical outlet. Do not use extension cords or

adapter plugs.

6. **Pre-Cooling:** Allow the wine cooler to operate empty for at least 24 hours to reach its set temperature before loading bottles.

5. Operating Instructions

5.1. Temperature Control

The NutriChef PKTEWC180 features a digital touch display for precise temperature management. The recommended temperature range for optimal wine storage is 54°F to 64°F (12°C to 18°C).



Figure 5.1: Digital touch button controls for adjusting temperature and switching between Celsius and Fahrenheit.

- **Adjusting Temperature:** Use the **UP** (▲) and **DOWN** (▼) arrows on the control panel to set your desired temperature. The display will show the current internal temperature.
- **Changing Temperature Units:** Press the **°C/°F** button to toggle between Celsius and Fahrenheit display.
- **LED Light Control:** The integrated LED light can be turned on or off using the light bulb icon button on the control

panel.

5.2. Loading Wine Bottles

Arrange bottles on the wire shelves. The design accommodates both standard and some larger bottles. For optimal air circulation and temperature consistency, avoid overcrowding the shelves. The unit is designed to hold up to 15 standard 750ml wine bottles.

6. Maintenance

6.1. Cleaning Your Wine Cooler

- **Interior:** Unplug the unit. Clean the interior with a soft cloth dampened with a solution of warm water and mild detergent. Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents. Dry thoroughly before plugging back in.
- **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior surfaces with a soft, damp cloth. For the glass door, use a glass cleaner.
- **Door Seal:** Regularly check and clean the door gasket to ensure a tight seal. A dirty or damaged gasket can affect the unit's performance.
- **Shelves:** The wire shelves can be removed and cleaned with warm soapy water. Rinse and dry completely before returning them to the unit.

6.2. Power Outage

Most power failures are corrected within a few hours and should not affect the temperature of your appliance if you minimize the number of times the door is opened. If the power is off for a longer period, take steps to protect your wine.

6.3. Vacation Time

- **Short Vacations:** Leave the wine cooler operating during vacations of less than three weeks.
- **Long Vacations:** If the appliance will not be used for several months, remove all items, unplug the appliance, clean it thoroughly, and leave the door slightly ajar to prevent odor and mold formation.

7. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Wine cooler does not operate.	Not plugged in; circuit breaker tripped; temperature control set to "OFF".	Ensure plug is secure; check circuit breaker; set temperature control to desired setting.
Appliance is not cold enough.	Door opened too frequently; door not closed completely; door gasket not sealing properly; unit located near a heat source; improper ventilation.	Minimize door openings; ensure door is fully closed; check and clean door gasket; relocate unit away from heat; ensure adequate clearance.
Vibrations.	Unit not level.	Adjust leveling legs.
Noise.	Normal operation sounds (compressor, fan); loose parts.	These sounds are normal; check for any loose components.
Moisture builds up inside.	High humidity; door opened too frequently; door not sealed.	This is normal in humid conditions; minimize door openings; check door seal.

8. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Model Number	PKTEWC180
Brand	NutriChef
Capacity	15 Bottles (750ml) / 50 Liters
Temperature Range	54°F - 64°F (12°C - 18°C)
Dimensions (W x D x H)	13.59" x 20" x 25.4" (34.5 cm x 50.8 cm x 64.5 cm)
Item Weight	33.1 pounds (15 kg)
Installation Type	Freestanding / Countertop
Door Material	Reinforced Glass
Shelf Type	Wire
Defrost System	Automatic
Included Components	Compressor Wine Cooler, Power Cable



Figure 8.1: Dimensional diagram of the NutriChef PKTEWC180, showing height, width, and depth.

9. Warranty and Support

This NutriChef wine cooling unit is backed by a **1-year quality warranty** from the date of purchase, ensuring complete satisfaction. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

For warranty claims, technical support, or any inquiries regarding your NutriChef PKTEWC180 wine cooler, please contact NutriChef customer service. Refer to the contact information provided on the official NutriChef website or your purchase documentation.

Please have your model number (PKTEWC180) and purchase date available when contacting support.

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