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Model: Enameled Dutch Oven (Midnight Chrome)



This image shows the Lodge 6 Quart Enameled Cast Iron Dutch Oven in its Midnight Chrome finish, with the lid securely placed. The pot features dual handles for easy lifting.

## 1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Lodge 6 Quart Enameled Cast Iron Dutch Oven is a versatile and durable piece of cookware designed for a

wide range of culinary tasks. Its cast iron construction ensures superior heat distribution and retention, while the smooth porcelain enameled interior provides a non-reactive surface that resists staining and promotes easy food release.

- **Material:** Enameled Cast Iron
- **Capacity:** 6 Quarts (5.6 Liters)
- **Color:** Midnight Chrome
- **Oven Safe:** Up to 500°F (260°C)
- **Features:** Dual handles, tightly fitting lid, smooth porcelain enameled interior.



This image displays the Dutch oven with its lid slightly lifted, revealing the light-colored enameled interior. The smooth surface is ideal for various cooking methods.

## 2. SETUP & FIRST USE

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### Unpacking

Carefully remove your Dutch oven from its packaging. Inspect the pot and lid for any signs of damage. The Dutch oven may come with small plastic spacers between the pot and the lid to prevent chipping during transit. Remove and discard these spacers before use.

### Initial Cleaning

Before first use, wash the Dutch oven and lid thoroughly with warm, soapy water. Rinse completely and dry immediately with a soft cloth to prevent water spots. This enameled cast iron is pre-seasoned, meaning it is ready for use after this initial cleaning.



A clear top-down view of the Dutch oven's interior, highlighting its clean, light-colored enamel surface, ready for cooking.

### 3. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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#### Cooking

The Lodge Enameled Dutch Oven is suitable for use on all cooktops, including induction, and is oven safe up to 500°F (260°C). Its superior heat retention makes it ideal for slow cooking, braising, baking, and roasting. The smooth enamel surface minimizes sticking and promotes excellent caramelization.

- Use low to medium heat settings for most stovetop cooking to prevent overheating and potential damage to the enamel.
- Always use oven mitts when handling the hot Dutch oven and lid.
- The tightly fitting lid helps to seal in moisture and flavor, perfect for stews, pot roasts, and baking bread.



This image shows the Dutch oven filled with a vibrant assortment of small potatoes and fresh herbs, demonstrating its capacity and suitability for preparing side dishes or main courses. The lid is placed next to the pot.

## 4. MAINTENANCE & CLEANING

### Cleaning Instructions

While enameled cast iron is durable, proper cleaning is essential to maintain its appearance and performance. Hand washing is recommended for this Dutch oven.

- Allow the Dutch oven to cool completely before washing. Sudden temperature changes can damage the enamel.
- Wash with warm, soapy water using a nylon scrub brush or sponge. Avoid abrasive cleaners, steel wool, or metal scouring pads, as these can scratch the enamel surface.
- For stubborn food residue, fill the pot with warm water and a small amount of dish soap, let it soak for 15-20 minutes, then clean as usual.
- Rinse thoroughly and dry immediately to prevent water spots and maintain the luster of the enamel.
- This product is **NOT** dishwasher safe.

### Storage

Store your Dutch oven in a dry place. If stacking with other cookware, place a soft cloth or paper towel between the pieces to prevent scratching the enamel.

## 5. TROUBLESHOOTING

- **Food Sticking:** Ensure adequate oil or fat is used and that the pot is properly preheated before adding food. Avoid using excessively high heat, which can cause food to burn and stick.
- **Stains or Discoloration:** For minor stains, a paste of baking soda and water can be applied and gently scrubbed. For more persistent discoloration, specialized enamel cleaner may be used, following the product's instructions.
- **Chipping or Cracking:** Enamel can chip or crack if dropped or subjected to sudden, extreme temperature changes. Always handle with care and avoid thermal shock. Minor chips on the exterior generally do not affect cooking performance, but significant damage may warrant replacement.

## 6. SPECIFICATIONS

Attribute	Detail
Material	Cast Iron (Enameled Finish)
Brand	Lodge
Capacity	6 Quarts
Color	Midnight Chrome
Oven Safe Temperature	Up to 500°F (260°C)
Item Weight	13.5 Pounds
Product Dimensions	13.25"W x 6"H
Dishwasher Safe	No (Hand Wash Only)
Model Number	Enameled Dutch Oven

## 7. WARRANTY & SUPPORT

For specific warranty information and customer support regarding your Lodge Enameled Cast Iron Dutch Oven, please refer to the documentation included with your product or visit the official Lodge website. You may also contact Lodge customer service directly for assistance with product inquiries, care, or any issues you may encounter.

Lodge is a family-owned company with a long history of quality craftsmanship. They are committed to environmental responsibility and community development.

For further assistance, please visit the [Lodge Store on Amazon](#) or their official website.

