AICOOK CM6816

Aicook 3.5 Bar Espresso Machine User Manual

Model: CM6816

1. Product Overview

The Aicook CM6816 3.5 Bar Espresso Machine is designed for home use, allowing you to brew delicious espresso, lattes, and cappuccinos with ease. Its compact design and integrated steam wand make it a versatile addition to any kitchen.



Figure 1: Front view of the Aicook 3.5 Bar Espresso Machine, showcasing its sleek black and silver design with a glass carafe and an espresso cup.



Figure 2: Detailed diagram highlighting key components: the boiler cap with sealing ring, the single switch knob for easy operation, and the glass pot with measurement scales for adjustable coffee strength.

2. Safety Instructions

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- Do not immerse the appliance, cord, or plug in water or other liquids.
- Ensure the handle is turned to the 'lock' position before brewing coffee. The lock logo is visible on the machine head.
- Do not open the lid while making espresso.
- Do not pour water into the tank immediately after making espresso; wait at least 1 minute to allow the machine to cool slightly.
- Keep hands and cords away from hot surfaces.
- Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning.

3. Setup and First Use

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove all packaging materials and ensure all parts are present.
2. **Initial Cleaning:** Before first use, wash the glass pot, filter holder, and removable drip tray in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
3. **Water Tank:** Fill the water tank with fresh, cold water up to the MAX level indicated.
4. **Power Connection:** Plug the machine into a grounded electrical outlet.
5. **Priming the Machine:** Run a cycle with only water (no coffee) to clean the internal components and prime the pump.

4. Operating Instructions

4.1 Brewing Espresso

1. Ensure the water tank is filled with fresh water.
2. Add medium-sized coffee grounds to the filter basket. This 3.5 bar machine does not support very fine grinds.
3. Insert the filter holder into the machine. Rotate the filter holder counter-clockwise until the handle is in the 'lock' position. Ensure it is tightened to prevent steam leakage.
4. Place the glass pot on the drip tray.
5. Turn the single switch knob to the 'Brew' position. The machine will begin brewing espresso into the glass pot.
6. Once the desired amount of espresso is brewed (up to 4 cups or 240 ml), turn the switch knob to the 'OFF' position.



Figure 3: Illustration of inserting and locking the portafilter into the machine, indicating the 'INSERT' and 'LOCK' positions for secure operation.

4.2 Frothing Milk for Lattes and Cappuccinos

1. Fill a pitcher with cold milk (dairy or non-dairy).
2. Turn the switch knob to the 'Steam' position and wait for the steam indicator light to illuminate, indicating the machine is ready.
3. Submerge the steam wand into the milk, just below the surface.
4. Turn the steam control knob to release steam. Move the pitcher up and down to create rich, creamy foam.
5. Once desired foam consistency is achieved, turn off the steam control knob and then the main switch knob to 'OFF'.
6. Immediately wipe the steam wand with a damp cloth to prevent milk residue from drying.



Figure 4: Close-up view of the integrated steam wand actively frothing milk in a stainless steel pitcher, demonstrating its powerful steam capability.



Figure 5: An assortment of coffee beverages, including Latte, Cappuccino, Mocha, and Americano, illustrating the versatility of the Aicook Espresso Machine in preparing different drinks.

5. Maintenance and Cleaning

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the lifespan of your espresso machine.

- **Drip Tray and Nozzle:** The drip tray and nozzle are removable for easy cleaning. Empty and clean the drip tray after each use.
- **Filter Holder and Basket:** After each use, remove the filter holder and discard used coffee grounds. Rinse the filter holder and basket under running water.
- **Steam Wand:** Immediately after frothing milk, wipe the steam wand with a damp cloth to prevent milk residue from hardening. If clogged, use a small pin to clear the opening.
- **Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the machine with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
- **Descaling:** Depending on water hardness, descale the machine every 2-3 months using a commercial descaling

solution or a mixture of white vinegar and water. Follow the descaling product's instructions.



Figure 6: Components of the Aicook Espresso Machine that are removable for easy cleaning, including the milk tube, drip tray, and detachable funnel device (portafilter and filter basket).

6. Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No coffee brews / Machine not heating	No water in tank; Machine not plugged in; Power switch off; Clogged filter.	Fill water tank; Check power connection; Turn on power switch; Clean filter.
Weak coffee / Water leaks from filter holder	Filter holder not locked properly; Coffee grounds too fine; Insufficient coffee grounds.	Ensure filter holder is securely locked (see Figure 3); Use medium-sized coffee grounds; Add more coffee grounds.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No steam from wand	Steam wand clogged; Not enough water in tank; Machine not heated to steam temperature.	Clean steam wand opening; Fill water tank; Wait for steam indicator light.
Machine leaks from top	Lid opened during brewing; Boiler cap not sealed properly.	Do not open lid during brewing; Ensure boiler cap is securely tightened (see Figure 2).

7. Specifications

Feature	Detail
Brand	AICOOK
Model Number	CM6816
Color	Black
Product Dimensions	25.5 x 19.51 x 33.3 cm (approx. 10 x 7.7 x 13.1 inches)
Weight	1.72 kg (approx. 3.79 lbs)
Capacity	240 Milliliters (approx. 8.1 fl oz)
Power	800 watts
Material	Stainless steel and plastic
Special Features	Milk frother
Coffee Maker Type	Espresso coffee maker
Filter Type	Metal
Style	Modern
Specific Product Uses	Latte, Cappuccino, Espresso
Recommended Uses	Milk beverages, Espresso coffee



Figure 7: Dimensions of the Aicook Espresso Machine, showing its height, width, and depth for placement consideration.

8. Warranty and Support

Aicook products are manufactured to the highest quality standards. For warranty information or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Aicook website.

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