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Model: FPC401

1. INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Blaupunkt FPC401 Popcorn Machine. This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of your new appliance. Please read these instructions thoroughly before first use and keep them for future reference.



Figure 1: The white Blaupunkt FPC401 Popcorn Machine from the front. It features a transparent lid, a red power button, and the Blaupunkt logo.

2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Read all instructions before operating the appliance.

- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or the 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, and before cleaning the appliance.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner. Contact customer service 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.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
- Ensure the lid is properly in place during operation.
- Only use popcorn kernels designed for air poppers. Do not use microwave popcorn.

3. COMPONENTS

Your Blaupunkt FPC401 Popcorn Machine includes the following main components:

1. **Main Unit:** The base of the popcorn machine containing the heating element and motor.
2. **Transparent Lid:** Covers the popping chamber and directs popcorn into a bowl.
3. **Measuring Spoon:** Used for accurately measuring popcorn kernels.
4. **Power Button:** Located on the front, used to turn the machine on and off.

4. SETUP

1. **Unpacking:** Carefully remove all components from the packaging. Retain packaging for future storage or transport.
2. **Initial Cleaning:** Before first use, wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. Wash the transparent lid and measuring spoon in warm, soapy water, then rinse and dry thoroughly. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
3. **Placement:** Place the popcorn machine on a stable, flat, heat-resistant surface. Ensure there is adequate ventilation around the unit.
4. **Power Connection:** Ensure the power button is in the "OFF" position before plugging the machine into a standard 220-240 V 50/60 Hz electrical outlet.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to prepare delicious, fat-free popcorn:

1. **Prepare Kernels:** Use the provided measuring spoon to add the desired amount of popcorn kernels directly into the popping chamber. Do not overfill. The machine is designed for fat-free preparation, so no oil is needed.
2. **Position Lid:** Place the transparent lid securely on top of the main unit. Position a large bowl under the chute of the lid to collect the popped popcorn.
3. **Start Popping:** Press the power button to turn on the machine. The heating element will activate, and popping will

begin shortly.

4. **Popping Time:** Popcorn typically takes 2 to 4 minutes to pop for a single serving. Do not leave the machine unattended during operation.
5. **Finish Popping:** Once popping slows down significantly (approximately 2-3 seconds between pops), turn off the machine by pressing the power button.
6. **Serve:** Carefully remove the transparent lid (it will be hot) and serve the fresh popcorn. Add seasonings if desired.
7. **Cool Down:** Allow the machine to cool completely before cleaning or storing.

6. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and longevity of your popcorn machine.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the appliance from the power outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Clean Lid and Spoon:** Wash the transparent lid and measuring spoon in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry. These parts are generally not dishwasher safe unless specified.
3. **Clean Main Unit:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. For the popping chamber, use a soft, dry cloth or a slightly damp cloth to remove any unpopped kernels or residue. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
4. **Storage:** Store the cleaned and dried popcorn machine in a cool, dry place.

Note: Never immerse the main unit, cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Machine does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet malfunction; power button not pressed.	Ensure the machine is securely plugged into a working outlet. Press the power button. Check the circuit breaker.
Popcorn not popping or very few kernels pop.	Old or dry kernels; incorrect kernel type; too many kernels.	Use fresh, high-quality popcorn kernels. Ensure kernels are suitable for air poppers. Do not exceed the recommended amount (one measuring spoon).
Popcorn burns.	Machine left on too long after popping; too many kernels.	Turn off the machine immediately once popping slows. Ensure correct kernel quantity.
Excessive unpopped kernels.	Old kernels; insufficient heat; too many kernels.	Use fresh kernels. Ensure the machine is preheated for a minute before adding kernels (if applicable, though this model is instant heat). Do not overfill.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Model: FPC401

Brand: BLAUPUNKT

Color: White

Material: Plastic

Power: 1200 W

Voltage: 220-240 V

Frequency: 50/60 Hz

Dimensions: 19.5 x 15.5 x 28 cm (approximately 7.7 x 6.1 x 11 inches)

Item Weight: 1.15 kg (approximately 2.5 lbs)

Special Feature: Fat-free preparation

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, product support, or service inquiries, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Blaupunkt website. Keep your purchase receipt as proof of purchase for any warranty claims. You can find more information about Blaupunkt products and support at the official [Blaupunkt Store](#).

