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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

1. Product Overview

The Aroma ARC-994SB Digital Rice and Grain Cooker is a versatile appliance designed to simplify meal preparation. With its compact 8-cup cooked capacity, it is ideal for individuals and families, offering automated functions for various dishes including white rice, brown rice, oatmeal, risotto, and steamed foods. Its durable non-stick inner pot ensures easy cleaning, and the programmable delay timer adds convenience for busy schedules.



Figure 1.1: The Aroma ARC-994SB Rice & Grain Cooker, showcasing its sleek stainless steel design and intuitive digital control panel.

Key Features:

- **7 Automated Controls:** Pre-programmed settings for steamed veggies, white rice, brown rice, oatmeal, and risotto.
- **8-Cup Capacity:** Cooks up to 8 cups of cooked rice (4 cups uncooked), suitable for individual or family meals.
- **Extra Durable Coating:** Features an 8x stronger coating for enhanced durability, easy cleaning, and scratch resistance.
- **Versatile Functions:** Includes Slow Cook and Steam functions, transforming the cooker into a multi-purpose kitchen appliance.
- **15-Hour Delay Timer:** Allows for flexible meal planning, ensuring food is ready when needed.

- **Automatic Keep Warm:** Automatically switches to 'Keep Warm' mode after cooking, maintaining ideal serving temperatures.
- **BPA-Free Accessories:** Comes with a non-stick inner pot, rice measuring cup, plastic rice spatula, and steam tray, all made from BPA-free materials.

2. Setup

Before first use, carefully unpack all components and remove any packaging materials. It is crucial to wash the inner cooking pot, steam tray, and all accessories thoroughly with warm, soapy water. Rinse them completely and dry them with a soft cloth. Wipe the cooker body clean with a damp cloth. Ensure all parts are completely dry before assembly and use.

8 CUP CAPACITY

Cooks up to 4 rice measuring cups of uncooked white or brown rice to yield 8 rice cups cooked.



Figure 2.1: All accessories included with the rice cooker, designed for convenience and easy storage.

Place the inner cooking pot securely inside the cooker body. Ensure the steam vent on the lid is clear and unobstructed. Connect the power cord to a standard 120V AC wall outlet. The cooker is now ready for operation.

3. Operating Instructions

Operating the Aroma ARC-994SB is straightforward thanks to its intuitive digital controls. Follow these steps for basic operation:

1. **Measure Rice:** Use the provided rice measuring cup to measure the desired amount of uncooked rice. One rice measuring cup is approximately 3/4 U.S. Cup (180ml).
2. **Rinse Rice:** Rinse the measured rice thoroughly under cold water until the water runs clear. This helps remove excess starch and ensures fluffier rice.
3. **Add Rice to Inner Pot:** Place the rinsed rice into the non-stick inner cooking pot.
4. **Add Water:** Fill the inner pot with water up to the water line that matches the number of rice measuring cups you added. For example, if you added 2 cups of rice, fill water to line '2'.
5. **Close Lid:** Securely close the cooker lid.
6. **Select Function:** Press the desired function button on the control panel (e.g., 'White Rice', 'Brown Rice', 'Oatmeal', 'Risotto', 'Steam', 'Slow Cook'). The cooker will automatically begin the cooking process.
7. **Automatic Keep Warm:** Once cooking is complete, the cooker will beep and automatically switch to 'Keep Warm' mode, indicated by a red light.

8 SMART FUNCTIONS

From perfect grains to steamed eggs, hearty oatmeal, risotto, and even pot roast—prepare it all with one amazingly versatile and compact appliance!



Figure 3.1: Inner pot with clear water level markings, simplifying the process of adding the correct amount of water for perfect rice.

15-HOUR DELAY TIMER

The fastest way to simplify a busy week. Simply add ingredients in the morning, set the timer, and return to a hot dinner ready for enjoying.



Figure 3.2: The digital control panel with dedicated buttons for different cooking functions, including White Rice, Brown Rice, Oatmeal, Risotto, Steam, Delay Timer, Slow Cook, and Keep Warm.

4. Cooking Guide

The ARC-994SB offers specialized functions for a variety of dishes. Below are details on common cooking modes and features:

4.1. White Rice & Brown Rice

Use the 'White Rice' or 'Brown Rice' function for perfectly cooked grains. The cooker automatically adjusts cooking time and temperature. For best results, refer to the included measuring cup and water lines.

WHITE RICE CHART

*Cups referenced are with the included measuring cup
1 Rice Measuring Cup = 3/4 U.S. Cup (180ml)

WHITE RICE uncooked	WATER LINE	COOK TIME	COOKED YIELD
1 Cups*	Water Line 1	32-37 Min	2 Cups*
2 Cups*	Water Line 2	36-41 Min	4 Cups*
3 Cups*	Water Line 3	40-45 Min	6 Cups*
4 Cups*	Water Line 4	43-48 Min	8 Cups*

Figure 4.1: White Rice Chart provides precise measurements and estimated cooking times for various quantities of uncooked white rice.

4.2. Oatmeal & Risotto

Dedicated settings for oatmeal and risotto ensure creamy, perfectly textured results without constant stirring. Follow recipe guidelines for specific ingredient ratios.

4.3. Steam Function

The included steam tray allows for healthy steaming of vegetables, meats, or dumplings while rice cooks below. Simply place food in the steam tray and set it on top of the inner pot before closing the lid and selecting the 'Steam' function.

ONE-POT MEALS

Easily steam veggies, meat or dumplings while grains or soup cook below using the included steam tray.



Figure 4.2: Example of one-pot meals, demonstrating the simultaneous cooking of grains and steamed items using the included steam tray.

4.4. Slow Cook Function

Transform your rice cooker into a 2-quart slow cooker for hearty meals. This function is perfect for stews, soups, and other slow-cooked recipes, providing convenience and tender results.

4.5. Delay Timer

The programmable 15-hour Delay Timer is ideal for busy individuals. Prepare ingredients in advance, set the timer, and return to a freshly cooked meal. The digital display will count down the selected time, and the last 10 minutes of cooking will show a countdown pattern.

ACCESSORIES INCLUDED

Convenient and compact, all accessories are easily stored within the rice cooker to save kitchen space.



Figure 4.3: The 15-hour Delay Timer feature allows for convenient meal preparation, ensuring food is ready exactly when desired.

5. Maintenance and Cleaning

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Aroma Rice & Grain Cooker. All removable parts are BPA-free and designed for easy cleaning.

- **Inner Pot & Accessories:** The non-stick inner pot, steam tray, rice measuring cup, and serving spatula should be hand washed with warm, soapy water. Avoid abrasive cleaners or scouring pads that could damage the non-stick coating. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely before storing.
- **Condensation Collector:** Remove and empty the condensation collector after each use to prevent water buildup. Wash it with warm, soapy water, rinse, and dry.
- **Cooker Body:** Wipe the exterior of the cooker body with a clean, damp cloth. Do not immerse the cooker body in water or any other liquid.

- **Steam Vent:** Regularly check and clean the steam vent on the lid to ensure it is free from any food particles or blockages.

Note: Always unplug the cooker and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.

6. Troubleshooting

If you encounter any issues with your Aroma Rice & Grain Cooker, refer to the common troubleshooting tips below:

- **Rice is Too Dry/Hard:** This often indicates insufficient water. Ensure you are using the correct water-to-rice ratio as indicated by the inner pot's water lines. You may add a small amount of additional water and run the cooking cycle again if needed.
- **Rice is Too Sticky/Mushy:** This usually means too much water was used. Reduce the amount of water slightly in future cooking cycles. Ensure rice is properly rinsed to remove excess starch.
- **Rice Boils Over:** This can occur if too much water is used, or if the steam vent is blocked. Verify the correct water-to-rice ratio and ensure the steam vent on the lid is clear and unobstructed.
- **Cooker Does Not Turn On:** Check if the power cord is securely plugged into both the cooker and a working electrical outlet. Ensure the power button is pressed.
- **Food Not Cooking Evenly:** Ensure the inner pot is properly seated in the cooker. For grains, ensure they are spread evenly in the pot before starting the cooking cycle.

For further assistance, please contact Aroma Housewares customer support.

7. Specifications

Attribute	Detail
Brand	AROMA
Model Name	ARC-994SB
Capacity	4 Cups (uncooked) / 8 Cups (cooked)
Product Dimensions	9.13"D x 9.13"W x 9.5"H
Power Source	Corded Electric
Wattage	700 watts
Voltage	110 Volts
Color	Stainless Steel
Material	Stainless Steel, Plastic
Special Feature	Programmable
Item Weight	6.14 pounds

8. Warranty and Support

For warranty information, product registration, or technical support, please visit the official AROMA Housewares website or contact their customer service department. Keep your purchase receipt for warranty claims.

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