

Ariete Vintage 438 Electric Food Chopper and Ice Crusher User Manual

Model: 438 | Brand: Ariete

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1. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all instructions carefully before using the appliance. Retain this manual for future reference.

- Ensure the voltage indicated on the appliance corresponds to your mains voltage before connecting.
- Do not immerse the motor unit, cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.
- Always unplug the appliance from the power outlet before assembling, disassembling, cleaning, or when not in use.
- Keep hands and utensils away from the moving blades during operation to prevent injury.
- The blades are very sharp. Handle with extreme care during assembly, disassembly, and cleaning.
- 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.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- Avoid contact with moving parts.

- Do not use outdoors.
- Do not let the cord hang over the edge of a table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
- Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- Always ensure the lid is securely locked in place before operating the appliance.
- Do not process excessively hot liquids.
- Do not overfill the processing bowl.

2. PRODUCT COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper.



Image: Exploded view of the Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper, showing the motor unit, lid, four-blade assembly, and transparent processing bowl.

1. **Motor Unit:** Contains the motor and control buttons.
2. **Lid:** Secures the processing bowl and engages with the motor unit for operation.
3. **Blade Assembly:** Features four sharp stainless steel blades for efficient chopping. Handle with care.
4. **Processing Bowl (600ml capacity):** Transparent bowl for holding ingredients.
5. **Non-Slip Base:** Integrated into the processing bowl for stability during use.

6. **Speed Control Buttons:** Two buttons on top of the motor unit for selecting different speeds.

3. SETUP AND ASSEMBLY

Before first use, wash all parts that will come into contact with food (processing bowl, lid, blade assembly) in warm soapy water, rinse thoroughly, and dry. The motor unit should only be wiped with a damp cloth.

1. Place the processing bowl on a stable, flat, and dry surface.
2. Carefully place the blade assembly onto the central pin inside the processing bowl. Ensure it sits correctly.
3. Add your ingredients to the processing bowl. Do not exceed the MAX fill line (600ml capacity).
4. Place the lid onto the processing bowl, aligning the tabs. Twist gently until it locks securely in place.
5. Position the motor unit on top of the lid, ensuring it is properly seated and aligned. The appliance will not operate if the motor unit is not correctly placed.





Image: The Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper fully assembled, ready for use.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once assembled, plug the appliance into a suitable power outlet.

4.1. Chopping Ingredients

- Ensure ingredients are cut into small, manageable pieces before placing them in the bowl.
- Press and hold one of the two speed control buttons on the motor unit to start chopping.
 - **Button 1:** Lower speed for softer ingredients or coarser chopping.
 - **Button 2:** Higher speed for harder ingredients or finer chopping.
- Process in short pulses for better control over the consistency. Do not operate continuously for more than 30 seconds. Allow the motor to rest for at least 2 minutes between cycles.
- Release the button to stop the appliance.
- Once processing is complete, unplug the appliance before disassembling.



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Image: The Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper demonstrating its capability to chop meat, vegetables, and crush ice.

4.2. Ice Crushing Function

- Place a moderate amount of ice cubes into the processing bowl. Do not overfill.
- Secure the lid and motor unit as described in the Setup section.
- Use the higher speed button (Button 2) for crushing ice. Process in short, powerful pulses until desired consistency is achieved.
- Unplug the appliance before removing crushed ice.



Image: The Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper with crushed ice, surrounded by ingredients for cocktails and smoothies.

5. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and extends the life of your appliance.

- 1. Always unplug the appliance before cleaning.**
2. Carefully remove the motor unit, then the lid, and finally the blade assembly from the processing bowl.
3. **Cleaning the Blade Assembly:** The blades are extremely sharp. Handle with extreme caution. Wash the blade assembly in warm soapy water using a brush, or place it in the dishwasher (if dishwasher safe, refer to product markings). Rinse and dry immediately.
4. **Cleaning the Processing Bowl and Lid:** Wash these parts in warm soapy water or place them in the dishwasher. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
5. **Cleaning the Motor Unit:** Wipe the motor unit with a soft, damp cloth. Never immerse the motor unit in water or any other liquid. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
6. Ensure all parts are completely dry before reassembling or storing the appliance.
7. Store the appliance in a dry place, out of reach of children.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

If you encounter issues with your Ariete Vintage 438, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution

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Appliance does not start.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not plugged in. Motor unit, lid, or bowl not assembled correctly. Overload protection activated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check if the appliance is securely plugged into a working power outlet. Ensure the processing bowl, blade, lid, and motor unit are correctly assembled and locked into place. Unplug, remove some ingredients, and let the motor cool down for a few minutes before restarting.
Ingredients are not chopped evenly.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Too many ingredients in the bowl. Ingredients are too large. Insufficient processing time or incorrect speed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce the quantity of ingredients. Process in smaller batches. Cut ingredients into smaller, more uniform pieces before chopping. Use short pulses and scrape down the sides of the bowl if necessary. Try the higher speed setting.
Motor sounds strained or stops.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overloaded with ingredients. Processing hard ingredients for too long. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce the amount of ingredients. Process hard ingredients in smaller batches and shorter pulses. Allow the motor to cool.
Leakage from the bowl.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bowl overfilled. Lid not properly secured. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not exceed the MAX fill line. Ensure the lid is correctly aligned and twisted to lock securely onto the bowl.

7. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Ariete
Model	438
Power	400 Watts
Capacity	600 Milliliters
Number of Speeds	2

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Blades	4 Stainless Steel Blades
Special Features	Ice Crushing Function, Non-Slip Feet
Product Dimensions (L x W x H)	12 x 12.5 x 26 cm
Item Weight	1 Kilogram
Automatic Shut-off	No



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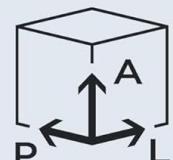


Image: The Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper illustrating its physical dimensions: Length 12 cm, Width 12.5 cm, Height 26 cm.

8. WARRANTY INFORMATION

This appliance is covered by a manufacturer's warranty against defects in materials and workmanship for a period specified by local consumer protection laws, typically two years from the date of purchase. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

The warranty does not cover:

- Damage caused by improper use, negligence, or failure to follow instructions.
- Normal wear and tear.
- Damage caused by unauthorized repairs or modifications.
- Commercial use.

For detailed warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or contact Ariete customer support.

9. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

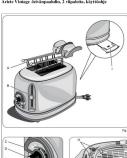
For any questions, technical assistance, or service requests regarding your Ariete Vintage 438 Food Chopper, please contact Ariete customer support.

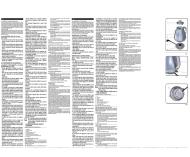
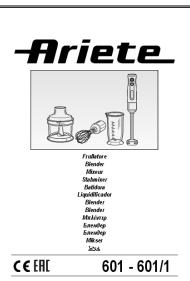
You can find contact information on the official Ariete website or on the product packaging. Please have your model number (438) and proof of purchase ready when contacting support.

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