

## Ariete 2958

# Ariete Party Time Popcorn Maker Instruction Manual

Model: 2958

## INTRODUCTION

Thank you for purchasing the Ariete Party Time Popcorn Maker. This appliance is designed to prepare delicious, oil-free popcorn using hot air. Please read this instruction manual carefully before first use to ensure safe and efficient operation. Keep this manual for future reference.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or 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.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- 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.
- This appliance operates with hot air. Do not add oil, butter, or other liquids to the popping chamber.
- Ensure the lid is properly secured before operation.

## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Ariete Party Time Popcorn Maker is designed for ease of use and efficient popcorn preparation. Familiarize yourself with its components:

- **Main Unit:** Houses the heating element and fan.
- **Corn Tank (600g capacity):** For storing unpopped corn kernels.
- **Dispensing Lever:** Allows for precise measurement of 50g portions of corn.
- **Transparent Lid/Cover:** Directs popped corn into a bowl and allows observation of the popping process.
- **On/Off Switch:** Controls the power to the unit.
- **Cord Wrap:** Located on the underside for tidy storage of the power cord.



Image: The Ariete Party Time Popcorn Maker, showcasing its red and white design with a transparent lid.



Image: Diagram illustrating key features: 1100W power, 50g portion in 3 minutes, fat-free hot air cooking, dispensing lever, 600g corn tank, special "boost" function, and cord wrap.

## SETUP

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all packaging materials and stickers from the appliance.
2. **Clean:** Wipe the exterior of the popcorn maker with a damp cloth. Wash the transparent lid and dispensing lever with warm, soapy water, then rinse and dry thoroughly.
3. **Placement:** Place the popcorn maker on a stable, flat, heat-resistant surface. Ensure there is adequate ventilation around the unit.
4. **Power Connection:** Unwind the power cord from the cord wrap and plug it into a suitable electrical outlet (240 Volt, 1100 Watt).

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to prepare popcorn:

1. **Add Corn:** Open the lid of the corn tank and fill it with unpopped popcorn kernels. The tank has a 600g capacity.
2. **Measure Portion:** Place a large bowl directly under the popcorn chute. Use the dispensing lever to release a 50g portion of corn kernels into the popping chamber.
3. **Secure Lid:** Ensure the transparent lid is securely in place over the popping chamber.
4. **Start Popping:** Turn the On/Off switch to the "On" position. The hot air system will begin to heat and pop the corn.
5. **Collect Popcorn:** Popped corn will be ejected from the chute into the bowl. A 50g portion typically pops in approximately 3 minutes.
6. **Repeat (if desired):** If you wish to make more popcorn, turn the machine off, wait a few minutes for it to cool slightly, then repeat steps 2-4.
7. **Pulse-Clean Function:** After popping, the special "Pulse-Clean" function helps to ensure no unpopped kernels remain in the chamber. Activate this function as per the device's specific instructions (usually by a quick toggle of the power switch or a dedicated button, if present).
8. **Seasoning:** Since this is a hot air popcorn maker, no oil or butter is used during the popping process. Add your desired seasonings, oil, or butter after the popcorn has been collected in the bowl.



Image: The popcorn maker actively producing popcorn, which is collected in a large bowl, demonstrating its operational use.



## MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

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

- 1. Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the appliance from the power outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
- 2. Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or immerse the main unit in water.
- 3. Lid and Dispensing Lever:** The transparent lid and dispensing lever can be washed in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely before reattaching.
- 4. Popping Chamber:** Use a soft brush or cloth to remove any unpopped kernels or debris from the popping chamber. Do not use water directly in the popping chamber.
- 5. Storage:** Once clean and dry, store the popcorn maker in a cool, dry place. Use the cord wrap for neat storage of the power cord.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Appliance does not turn on.	Not plugged in; power outlet not working.	Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet.
Popcorn not popping or only partially popping.	Old or dry kernels; insufficient heat; too many kernels.	Use fresh, high-quality popcorn kernels. Ensure only 50g portions are used. Allow the machine to preheat for a minute before adding corn if necessary.
Popcorn scattering outside the bowl.	Bowl not positioned correctly; too small a bowl.	Ensure a large enough bowl is placed directly under the popcorn chute. Adjust bowl position as needed.
Popcorn tastes bland or hard.	No seasoning added; kernels not fully popped.	Add seasoning, salt, or butter after popping. Ensure fresh kernels are used for optimal texture.
Unusual noise during operation.	Debris in popping chamber; fan obstruction.	Unplug and allow to cool. Carefully check and remove any debris from the popping chamber. If the issue persists, contact customer support.

## SPECIFICATIONS

**Brand:** Ariete  
**Model Name:** Pop Corn Maker Party Time  
**Model Number:** 2958  
**Color:** Red White  
**Product Dimensions:** 18 x 27 x 30.5 cm  
**Weight:** 2 Kilograms  
**Capacity:** 600 Milliliters (Corn Tank)  
**Power/Wattage:** 1100 watts  
**Voltage:** 240 Volt

**Material:** Plastic

**Special Features:** Hot air cooking, Pulse-Clean function, Dispensing function (50g portions)

**Automatic Shutoff:** No

**Country of Origin:** China

## WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Ariete website. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims. If you encounter any issues not covered in the troubleshooting section, please contact Ariete customer service for assistance.

## PRODUCT VIDEOS

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No official product videos from the seller were available for embedding in this manual.