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## Bergner RA026

# Bergner 6-Cup Aluminum Coffee Maker

Model: RA026

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

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Thank you for choosing the Bergner 6-Cup Aluminum Coffee Maker, Model RA026. This classic moka pot design allows you to brew rich, aromatic espresso-style coffee on your stovetop. Crafted from durable aluminum with a sleek black exterior and comfortable wooden handle and knob, this coffee maker is designed for both functionality and aesthetic appeal. Please read this manual carefully before first use to ensure proper operation and maintenance.



*Image: The Bergner 6-Cup Aluminum Coffee Maker, showcasing its design alongside a freshly brewed cup of coffee and pastries.*

## 2. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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Always follow basic safety precautions when using electrical appliances to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

- Read all instructions before using the coffee maker.
- Do not overfill the water chamber. Ensure water level is below the safety valve.
- The coffee maker becomes very hot during and after use. Always use the handle and knob to avoid burns. Do not touch hot surfaces.
- Keep out of reach of children. This appliance is not intended for use by persons 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.

- Use on a stable, heat-resistant surface.
- Do not place the coffee maker on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- Never use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads on the coffee maker, as this can damage the finish.
- Ensure the upper and lower chambers are securely tightened before placing on a heat source.
- Do not use the coffee maker if any part is damaged or leaking.

### 3. PRODUCT COMPONENTS

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Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Bergner coffee maker:

1. **Upper Chamber (Collector):** Collects the brewed coffee.
2. **Lid:** Covers the upper chamber.
3. **Knob:** Located on the lid, for opening and closing.
4. **Handle:** For safe handling of the hot coffee maker.
5. **Filter Plate:** Sits inside the upper chamber, above the gasket.
6. **Gasket (Sealing Ring):** Creates a tight seal between the upper and lower chambers.
7. **Filter Funnel (Coffee Basket):** Holds the ground coffee.
8. **Lower Chamber (Water Boiler):** Holds the water. Features a safety release valve.
9. **Safety Valve:** Releases excess pressure from the lower chamber. Do not obstruct.



Image: The Bergner 6-Cup Aluminum Coffee Maker, highlighting its 6-cup capacity and ease of cleaning.

## 4. SETUP AND FIRST USE

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Before using your coffee maker for the first time, follow these steps:

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all packaging materials.
2. **Wash:** Disassemble all parts and wash them thoroughly with warm water and a mild detergent. Rinse well to remove any soap residue.
3. **Rinse Brew:** Assemble the coffee maker (without coffee) and brew a full pot of water. Discard this water. This helps to clean the internal components and season the aluminum. Repeat this process 2-3 times.
4. Your coffee maker is now ready for brewing.

## 5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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Follow these steps to brew delicious coffee:

1. **Fill Water:** Unscrew the upper chamber from the lower chamber. Fill the lower chamber with cold water up to the level of the safety valve. Do not fill above the valve.
2. **Add Coffee:** Insert the filter funnel into the lower chamber. Fill the filter funnel with medium-fine ground coffee. Do not tamp or press the coffee down; simply level it gently. Ensure no coffee grounds are on the rim of the funnel.
3. **Assemble:** Screw the upper chamber firmly onto the lower chamber. Ensure a tight seal to prevent leaks during brewing. Do not overtighten.
4. **Heat:** Place the coffee maker on a stovetop burner over medium heat. Keep the lid open initially to monitor the brewing process.
5. **Brew:** As the water heats, steam pressure will force hot water up through the coffee grounds and into the upper chamber. You will hear a gurgling sound as the coffee begins to flow.
6. **Serve:** Once the upper chamber is filled with coffee and the gurgling sound intensifies, remove the coffee maker from the heat source immediately. Close the lid and pour the freshly brewed coffee into cups.

**Caution: The coffee maker will be extremely hot. Always use the handle and knob for pouring.**

## 6. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

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Proper care will extend the life of your Bergner coffee maker:

- **Cool Down:** Always allow the coffee maker to cool completely before disassembling and cleaning.
- **Disassemble:** Unscrew the upper chamber from the lower chamber. Remove the filter plate, gasket, and filter funnel.
- **Wash:** Wash all parts with warm water and a mild, non-abrasive dish soap. Use a soft sponge or cloth. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- **Dry:** Dry all components completely before reassembling and storing. This prevents water spots and potential corrosion.
- **Storage:** Store the coffee maker in a dry place. For best results, store disassembled or with the upper and lower chambers loosely screwed together to allow air circulation.
- **Gasket & Filter:** Periodically inspect the rubber gasket and filter plate for signs of wear, cracking, or damage. Replace them if necessary to maintain a proper seal and brewing performance.
- **DO NOT** wash in a dishwasher. Hand washing is recommended to preserve the finish and integrity of the aluminum.

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee not brewing or very slow.	Insufficient water in lower chamber; coffee grounds too fine or tamped too hard; loose seal; clogged filter.	Ensure water is filled to safety valve; use medium-fine grind and do not tamp; tighten chambers securely; clean filter funnel.
Weak or watery coffee.	Not enough coffee grounds; coffee grounds too coarse; too much water.	Fill filter funnel completely; use medium-fine grind; fill water only to safety valve.
Bitter or burnt-tasting coffee.	Coffee grounds too fine; heat too high; over-extraction.	Use slightly coarser grind; use medium heat; remove from heat as soon as coffee fills upper chamber.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Water leaking from the side.	Chambers not tightened properly; worn or damaged gasket.	Ensure chambers are securely tightened; inspect and replace gasket if necessary.
Coffee grounds in the brewed coffee.	Coffee grounds too fine; filter plate or gasket not seated correctly.	Use a slightly coarser grind; ensure filter plate and gasket are properly aligned and seated.

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

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- **Brand:** Bergner
- **Model Number:** RA026
- **Capacity:** 6 Cups (approximately 700 ml)
- **Material:** Aluminum body, Steel components, Wooden handle and knob
- **Color:** Multicolor (primarily black with wood accents)
- **Dimensions (L x W x H):** Approximately 25 cm x 9 cm x 12 cm
- **Special Feature:** Removable water reservoir (lower chamber)
- **Type:** Stovetop Espresso Coffee Maker (Moka Pot)

## 9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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This Bergner coffee maker is designed for durability and performance. For specific warranty information, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or contact Bergner customer support directly. Keep your proof of purchase for any warranty claims.

For technical support, replacement parts, or any questions not covered in this manual, please visit the official Bergner website or contact their customer service department. Contact details can typically be found on the product packaging or the brand's official website.

