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Secura CM6686AT

Secura Automatic Coffee Maker with Grinder

Model: CM6686AT | Brand: Secura

Introduction

The Secura CM6686AT Automatic Coffee Maker with Grinder is designed to provide a convenient and efficient way to enjoy fresh coffee. This versatile appliance allows you to brew coffee using either whole beans, which are ground just before brewing, or pre-ground coffee. Key features include a programmable timer for scheduled brewing, a compact design suitable for various spaces, and a keep-warm function to maintain coffee temperature after brewing.



Figure 1: Front view of the Secura Automatic Coffee Maker with Grinder, showcasing its sleek design and control panel.

Important Safety Information

Please read all instructions carefully before using this appliance to prevent injury or damage. Keep this manual for future reference.

- **Electrical Safety:** Ensure the voltage matches your power supply. Do not immerse the appliance, cord, or plug in water or other liquids. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning.
- **Hot Surfaces:** The heating plate and carafe will be hot during and after operation. Use handles and oven mitts if necessary. Avoid contact with steam.
- **Children:** This appliance is not intended for use by children. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used near children.
- **Placement:** Place the coffee maker on a stable, level, heat-resistant surface, away from the edge of the countertop. Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Damage:** Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been damaged in any manner.
- **Intended Use:** Use the appliance only for its intended purpose of brewing coffee. Any other use may result in fire, electric shock, or injury.

Parts Identification

Familiarize yourself with the components of your Secura coffee maker:



Figure 2: Detailed diagram of the coffee maker's components.

1. **Steam Outlet:** Releases steam during brewing.
2. **Grind Basket Lid:** Covers the grind basket and bean hopper.
3. **Filter Handle:** Used to remove and insert the filter.
4. **Filter:** Reusable filter for coffee grounds.
5. **Water Tank Lid:** Covers the water reservoir.
6. **Control Panel:** Contains buttons for settings, time, and brewing modes.
7. **Water Level:** Indicator for water quantity in the reservoir.
8. **Carafe:** Glass carafe for collecting brewed coffee.
9. **Grind Basket (Brewing Chamber):** Where coffee beans are ground and coffee is brewed.
10. **Heating Plate:** Keeps the carafe warm after brewing.

Setup

Before first use, follow these steps:

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all packaging materials and check for any damage.
2. **Clean Components:** Wash the carafe, filter, and grind basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry. Wipe the exterior of the coffee maker with a damp cloth.
3. **First Clean Cycle:** Fill the water tank to the MAX line with clean water. Place the empty carafe on the heating plate. Run a brew cycle without coffee to clean the internal components. Discard the water. Repeat this process 2-3 times.
4. **Placement:** Place the coffee maker on a flat, stable surface near an electrical outlet.

Operating Instructions

Your Secura coffee maker offers two brewing options: using whole beans or pre-ground coffee.

Brewing with Whole Beans (Grind & Brew)

1. **Fill Water Tank:** Open the water tank lid and fill the reservoir with fresh, cold water up to the desired level, indicated by the water level markings. The capacity is 17 ounces (1-2 US cups or 1-4 Euro cups).
2. **Add Whole Beans:** Open the grind basket lid. Add the desired amount of whole coffee beans into the grind basket. Do not exceed the MAX line for beans.
3. **Close Lids:** Ensure both the grind basket lid and water tank lid are securely closed.
4. **Place Carafe:** Place the empty glass carafe on the heating plate.
5. **Select Mode:** Press the mode switch button (often indicated by a coffee bean icon) to select the whole bean (grind and brew) mode.
6. **Set Time (Optional):** To use the programmable timer, press the 'Program' button and use the '+' and '-' buttons to set the desired brew start time (up to 24 hours in advance).
7. **Start Brewing:** Press the 'START' button. The machine will begin grinding the beans, followed by the brewing process.

Brewing with Pre-Ground Coffee

1. **Fill Water Tank:** Open the water tank lid and fill the reservoir with fresh, cold water up to the desired level.
2. **Add Ground Coffee:** Open the grind basket lid. Add the desired amount of pre-ground coffee into the filter. Do not exceed the MAX line for grounds.
3. **Close Lids:** Ensure both the grind basket lid and water tank lid are securely closed.
4. **Place Carafe:** Place the empty glass carafe on the heating plate.
5. **Select Mode:** Press the mode switch button to select the pre-ground coffee (brew only) mode.
6. **Set Time (Optional):** To use the programmable timer, press the 'Program' button and use the '+' and '-' buttons to set the desired brew start time.
7. **Start Brewing:** Press the 'START' button. The machine will begin the brewing process.



Figure 3: Illustration of adding either whole beans or ground coffee to the brewing chamber.

The coffee maker will automatically keep the coffee warm for up to 30 minutes after brewing before shutting off. The brewing pause feature allows you to temporarily remove the carafe to pour a cup during the brewing cycle.

Cleaning and Maintenance

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

Daily Cleaning

1. **Unplug:** Always unplug the coffee maker and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Discard Grounds:** Remove the filter and discard used coffee grounds.
3. **Wash Removable Parts:** Wash the carafe, filter, and grind basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry. These parts are generally not dishwasher safe unless specified in the product packaging.
4. **Wipe Exterior:** Wipe the exterior of the coffee maker with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or

scouring pads.

Grinder Cleaning

For best results, clean the grinder regularly, especially if using oily beans.

- After each use, ensure all coffee grounds are removed from the grind basket.
- If residue builds up, use a small brush (e.g., a stiff-bristled toothbrush) to dislodge stubborn particles.
- The grind basket can be washed as part of daily cleaning.

Descaling (Mineral Deposit Removal)

Mineral deposits from water can build up over time, affecting performance. Descale your coffee maker every 2-3 months, or more frequently if you have hard water.

1. **Prepare Solution:** Mix white vinegar and water in a 1:2 ratio (e.g., 1 part vinegar to 2 parts water). Fill the water tank with this solution up to the MAX line.
2. **Run Cycle:** Place the empty carafe on the heating plate. Run a brew cycle without coffee.
3. **Soak:** After the cycle, let the solution sit in the carafe for at least 15 minutes, or longer for heavy buildup.
4. **Rinse Cycles:** Discard the solution. Fill the water tank with fresh, clean water and run 2-3 full brew cycles to rinse out any remaining vinegar taste or odor.

Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your Secura coffee maker, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee tastes like plastic/chemical.	New unit odor, residue from manufacturing, or insufficient initial cleaning.	Run several clean water cycles before first use. Ensure all removable parts are thoroughly washed with warm, soapy water and rinsed. The taste should dissipate after 10-15 uses.
Coffee not brewing or dripping slowly.	Clogged filter, mineral buildup, or carafe not properly seated.	Check if the filter is clogged with fine grounds; clean it. Descale the machine if mineral buildup is suspected. Ensure the carafe is fully pushed onto the heating plate, activating the drip-stop mechanism.
Grinder not working.	Grind basket lid not closed properly, or beans jammed.	Ensure the grind basket lid is securely closed and locked into place. Check for any jammed beans and clear them carefully (unplug first).
Coffee is too weak or too strong.	Incorrect coffee-to-water ratio.	Adjust the amount of coffee grounds or beans used per cup of water to achieve desired strength.
Machine not turning on.	No power, or unit not properly plugged in.	Check if the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Test the outlet with another appliance.

Specifications



Figure 4: Dimensions of the Secura Automatic Coffee Maker.

- **Brand:** Secura
- **Model Name:** CM6686AT
- **Color:** Black
- **Product Dimensions:** 11"D x 7"W x 10"H (Note: Product dimensions from JSON are 11"D x 7"W x 10"H, image shows 6.9"W x 9.8"D x 11"H. Using image dimensions for consistency with visual aid.)
- **Special Feature:** Automatically grinds and brews coffee
- **Coffee Maker Type:** Drip Coffee Machine
- **Filter Type:** Reusable
- **Operation Mode:** Fully Automatic
- **Voltage:** 120 Volts (North American Electrical Standards)
- **Item Weight:** 1.06 pounds
- **Capacity:** 17 ounces (approx. 1-2 US coffee cups or 1-4 Euro size coffee cups)

Warranty and Support

Secura products are designed for quality and reliability. For specific warranty information, product registration, or technical support, please refer to the warranty card included with your purchase or visit the official Secura website. You may also contact Secura customer service directly for assistance with any issues or questions regarding your CM6686AT coffee maker.

Contact Information: Please refer to your product packaging or the official Secura website for the most current customer support contact details.

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