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Brand: Ninja

WELCOME TO YOUR NINJA FOODI FLEXDRAWER AIR FRYER

Congratulations on your purchase of the Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer. This versatile appliance is designed to simplify your cooking experience, offering a large 10.4L capacity, innovative Dual Zone Technology, and 7 cooking functions to prepare a wide variety of meals with ease. Please read this manual thoroughly before first use to ensure safe and optimal operation.



The Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer, ready for use.

Product Overview Video

Watch this video for a quick overview of the Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer's features and capabilities.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

Always follow basic safety precautions when using electrical appliances to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, serious injury, and/or damage to property.

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electric shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or main unit housing 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.
- 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.

- Ensure the appliance is placed on a stable, level, heat-resistant surface.
- Always ensure the drawer is fully inserted before operating.

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Your Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer comes with the following components:



WHAT'S IN THE BOX

- 1 Non-Stick 10.4L Drawer
- 1 Divider
- 2 Non-Stick Crisper Plates

The main unit, 10.4L drawer, removable divider, and two crisper plates.

- Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer Main Unit
- 10.4L Non-Stick Drawer
- Removable Divider
- 2 x Non-Stick Crisper Plates

INITIAL SETUP

Before using your air fryer for the first time, please follow these steps:

1. **Unpack the Unit:** Remove all packaging materials, including any stickers or labels.
2. **Clean Components:** Wash the 10.4L drawer, removable divider, and crisper plates in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely. These parts are also dishwasher safe.
3. **Wipe Main Unit:** Wipe the exterior of the main unit with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water.
4. **Position the Air Fryer:** Place the air fryer on a clean, dry, level, and heat-resistant surface. Ensure there is adequate space around the unit for proper ventilation.
5. **Insert Components:** Place the crisper plates into the drawer. If using Dual Zone mode, insert the removable divider into the drawer. Slide the assembled drawer into the main unit until it clicks into place.
6. **Plug In:** Plug the power cord into a grounded electrical outlet. The unit will power on and the display will illuminate.

USING YOUR AIR FRYER

Understanding the Control Panel

The control panel features a digital display, a control dial, and various function buttons. The control dial allows you to select cooking functions, adjust temperature, and set time. The display shows selected function, temperature, and remaining cooking time.

Dual Zone Technology

The Dual Zone Technology allows you to cook two different foods in two separate zones with different settings, and have them finish cooking at the same time. This is ideal for preparing a main dish and a side simultaneously.



AIR FRY
200°C
28 MINS

ROAST
180°C
18 MINS

DUAL ZONE TECHNOLOGY

Different programs, times and temperatures in each zone - both finish at the same time!

Cook two different foods, two different ways, both finishing at the same time.

- **SYNC Function:** Use the SYNC button to ensure both zones finish cooking at the same time, even if they have different cooking times and temperatures.
- **MATCH Function:** Use the MATCH button to instantly apply the settings from Zone 1 to Zone 2, perfect for cooking larger quantities of the same food.

FlexDrawer and MegaZone

The FlexDrawer feature allows you to transform the two independent cooking zones into one extra-large 10.4L MegaZone. This is perfect for cooking larger items like a whole chicken, a leg of lamb, or traybake meals.



FLEXDRAWER TRANSFORMS FROM DUAL ZONE TO MEGAZONE

Cook in 2 independent zones or 1 extra-large drawer

Remove the divider to create one large cooking zone for bigger meals.

To use the MegaZone, simply remove the divider from the drawer before inserting food. The air fryer will automatically detect the single large zone.

Cooking Functions

Your Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer offers 7 versatile cooking functions:

- **Air Fry:** Uses super-heated air to cook foods with little to no oil, resulting in crispy textures. Ideal for chips, chicken wings, and vegetables.



AIR FRY

Up to 75% less fat than traditional frying methods*

Get crispy golden textures on all of your fried favourites, using little to no oil.

*Tested against deep-fried, hand-cut French fries.

Achieve crispy results with up to 75% less fat than traditional frying.

- **Max Crisp:** Designed for frozen foods, this function circulates super-fast air at 240°C to cook and crisp food in minutes.



MAX CRISP

Super fast air-flow circulates temperatures of 240°C to evenly cook and crisp frozen food in minutes.

Perfect for getting frozen foods extra crispy.

- **Roast:** Use this function to cook meats, vegetables, and more, similar to a conventional oven.



ROAST

Not just for Sundays, roast a whole chicken, leg of lamb, beef topside or vegan wellington alongside root vegetables for a family-size roast dinner, any day of the week.

Ideal for roasting meats and vegetables for family dinners.

- **Bake:** Prepare baked goods like cakes, tarts, and bread, or even casseroles.



BAKE

Enjoy everything from loaf cakes and fruit crumbles to homemade bread, tarts and pies.

Enjoy homemade baked goods with ease.

- **Reheat:** Gently warms leftovers to restore their original texture and flavor.
- **Dehydrate:** Removes moisture from foods at a low temperature to create dried fruit snacks, vegetable crisps, beef jerky, and more.



DEHYDRATE

Gently dry ingredients at a low heat to create dried fruit snacks, vegetable crisps, beef jerky, homemade dried herbs and garnishes.

Create healthy dried snacks and garnishes.

- **Prove:** Creates an ideal environment for dough to rise, ensuring perfect baked goods.

FlexDrawer Air Fryer in Action

See how the FlexDrawer and Dual Zone features work together for versatile cooking.

Product Overview

A detailed product overview demonstrating key functionalities.

CARE AND CLEANING

Proper cleaning and maintenance will ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer.



EASY TO CLEAN

Non-stick, dishwasher safe parts

The non-stick, dishwasher-safe parts make cleaning simple.

- **Always Unplug:** Before cleaning, always unplug the air fryer from the power outlet and allow it to cool completely.
- **Drawer, Divider, and Crisper Plates:** These components are non-stick and dishwasher safe. For best results, wash them in warm, soapy water after each use. Do not use abrasive cleaning pads or materials.
- **Main Unit:** Wipe the main unit with a clean, damp cloth. Do not immerse the main unit in water or any other liquid.
- **Stubborn Food Residue:** For stubborn food residue on the drawer or crisper plates, soak them in warm, soapy water for a period before cleaning.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

If you encounter any issues with your air fryer, refer to the table below for common problems and solutions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Air fryer not turning on	Unit not plugged in; Power outlet not working; Drawer not fully inserted.	Ensure power cord is securely plugged in. Test outlet with another appliance. Push drawer firmly until it clicks into place.
Food not cooking evenly	Overcrowding the basket; Food not shaken/flipped.	Cook in smaller batches if necessary. Shake or flip food halfway through cooking.
White smoke coming from unit	Grease from previous cooking; Excess oil on food.	Clean the drawer and crisper plates thoroughly. Reduce the amount of oil used.
Food not crispy	Not enough oil; Temperature too low; Cooking time too short.	Lightly coat food with oil. Increase temperature or cooking time. Use Max Crisp function for frozen items.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Brand	Ninja
Model Number	AF500UK (700061612)
Capacity	10.4 Litres (MegaZone) / 2 x 5.2 Litres (Dual Zone)
Power / Wattage	2470 watts
Voltage	240 Volts
Product Dimensions	49.36 x 31.6 x 32.7 cm
Item Weight	9.38 kg
Material	Plastic, Aluminium
Special Features	FLEX DRAWER, DUAL ZONE TECHNOLOGY, 7 Cooking Functions

WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Your Ninja Foodi FlexDrawer Air Fryer comes with a 2-year guarantee upon registration with Ninja (UK & ROI only). For warranty claims, technical support, or any questions regarding your product, please contact Ninja customer service.

Visit the official Ninja website for contact details and further support information:

