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1. INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Proctor Silex 18-Quart Electric Roaster Oven. This versatile appliance is designed to simplify your cooking tasks, offering functions for roasting, baking, slow cooking, and keeping food warm. Its generous capacity and variable temperature control make it ideal for preparing meals for various occasions. Please read this manual thoroughly before first use to ensure safe and efficient operation.

Key Features:

- **18-Quart Capacity:** Large enough to cook a 24 lb. turkey, suitable for family meals and entertaining.
- **Self-Basting Lid:** Designed to circulate moisture, ensuring tender and flavorful results.
- **Variable Temperature Control:** Adjustable from 125°F to 450°F for precise cooking.
- **Removable Cooking Pan:** Facilitates easy cleaning and serving.
- **Lift-Out Rack:** Aids in easily removing large items from the roaster.



Figure 1: Proctor Silex 18-Quart Electric Roaster Oven with lid.

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Video 1: Product Overview of the Proctor Silex Electric Roaster Oven, demonstrating its features and functionality.

2. IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

- Read all instructions.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or roaster oven 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 dropped or 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.
- Always attach plug to appliance first, then plug cord into the wall outlet. To disconnect, turn any control to "OFF," then remove plug from wall outlet.
- Do not use appliance for other than intended use.

3. PRODUCT COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the parts of your Proctor Silex Electric Roaster Oven:

- **Roaster Base:** The main housing unit containing the heating element and controls.
- **Removable Cooking Pan:** The inner pan where food is placed for cooking.
- **Self-Basting Lid:** The domed lid designed to retain moisture.
- **Lift-Out Rack:** A wire rack used to support food and facilitate removal.
- **Temperature Control Knob:** Used to set the desired cooking temperature.
- **Power Indicator Light:** Illuminates when the roaster is heating.



Figure 2: Overview of the roaster oven, highlighting its dimensions (15.64"D x 23.15"W x 12.93"H).

4. BEFORE FIRST USE

Before using your roaster oven for the first time, follow these steps:

1. Unpack the roaster oven and all its components. Remove any packaging materials, stickers, or labels.
2. Wash the removable cooking pan, self-basting lid, and lift-out rack in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely.
3. Wipe the exterior of the roaster base with a damp cloth. Do not immerse the base in water.
4. Place the roaster base on a stable, heat-resistant surface, away from walls or cabinets to allow for

proper ventilation.

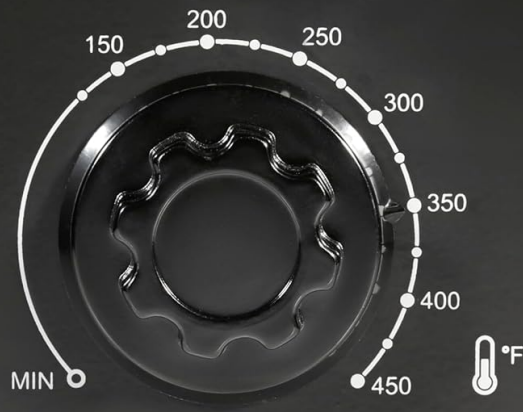
5. Insert the clean cooking pan into the roaster base.

5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps for general operation of your electric roaster oven:

1. **Prepare the Roaster:** Ensure the removable cooking pan is securely placed inside the roaster base. If using, place the lift-out rack inside the cooking pan.
2. **Add Food:** Place your food item (e.g., turkey, roast, casserole) onto the lift-out rack or directly into the cooking pan, depending on the recipe.
3. **Secure the Lid:** Place the self-basting lid firmly onto the roaster oven.
4. **Set Temperature:** Plug the roaster oven into a standard electrical outlet. Turn the temperature control knob to your desired cooking temperature (between 125°F and 450°F). The power indicator light will illuminate.
5. **Preheating:** Allow the roaster to preheat for approximately 15-20 minutes, or until the indicator light turns off, signaling that the set temperature has been reached.
6. **Cooking:** Cook food according to your recipe. The self-basting lid will help keep food moist.
7. **Monitoring:** Use a meat thermometer to ensure meats are cooked to a safe internal temperature.
8. **Serving:** Once cooking is complete, turn the temperature control knob to "MIN" or "OFF" and unplug the unit. Use oven mitts to carefully remove the lid. Use the lift-out rack handles to safely remove large food items.

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Cooking versatility

Easily adjust the temperature from 125°-450° F
to perfectly cook a variety of foods

Figure 3: Close-up of the variable temperature control knob, allowing precise temperature adjustments from 125°F to 450°F.

Moist, tender meats

With domed, self-basting lid



Figure 4: A cooked turkey inside the roaster oven, demonstrating its capacity and the effectiveness of the self-basting lid for moist results.



Figure 5: A large turkey being easily removed from the roaster oven using the integrated lift-out rack, designed for convenience and safety.

6. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Proper cleaning and maintenance will extend the life of your roaster oven.

1. **Unplug and Cool:** Always unplug the roaster oven from the electrical outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. **Remove Components:** Carefully remove the lid, cooking pan, and lift-out rack.
3. **Wash Removable Parts:** Wash the cooking pan, lid, and rack in hot, soapy water. These parts are generally dishwasher safe, but hand washing is recommended for longevity. Rinse thoroughly and dry completely.
4. **Clean Roaster Base:** Wipe the exterior and interior of the roaster base with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads, as they may damage the finish. Never immerse the roaster base in water or any other liquid.
5. **Storage:** Ensure all parts are dry before reassembling and storing the roaster oven. Store in a cool, dry place.



Easy to clean

The removable cooking pan lifts out

Figure 6: A person easily removing the inner cooking pan from the roaster oven, highlighting its design for convenient cleaning.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your roaster oven, refer to the following table for common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Roaster does not heat.	Not plugged in; power outlet malfunction; temperature knob set to 'MIN' or 'OFF'.	Ensure unit is securely plugged into a working outlet. Turn temperature knob to desired setting.
Food cooks unevenly.	Lid not properly sealed; overcrowding the pan; incorrect temperature setting.	Ensure lid is seated correctly. Avoid overfilling the pan. Verify temperature setting matches recipe.
Indicator light does not turn on.	Unit not plugged in; temperature knob set to 'MIN' or 'OFF'; unit has reached set temperature.	Check power connection and temperature setting. The light turns off once the set temperature is achieved.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Food is dry.	Lid not properly sealed; insufficient liquid in recipe; cooking too long or at too high a temperature.	Ensure lid is sealed. Add appropriate liquids as per recipe. Adjust cooking time or temperature.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	Proctor Silex
Model Number	32211
Capacity	18 Quart
Color	Black
Product Dimensions	15.64"D x 23.15"W x 12.93"H
Special Feature	Adjustable Thermostat, Large Capacity
Control Type	Knob
Door Style	Lid
Included Components	Self-Basting Lid, Lift-Out Rack
Finish Type	Painted
Door Material Type	Stainless Steel
Power Source	AC/DC
Temperature Range	125-450 Degrees Fahrenheit
Item Weight	13.03 pounds
Manufacturer	Hamilton Beach Brands

9. WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Proctor Silex products are designed for durability and reliability. This product comes with a **Limited Three-Year Warranty**. For specific warranty details, claims, or customer support, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Proctor Silex website.

For additional assistance, you may contact Proctor Silex customer service directly. Keep your purchase receipt and model number (32211) handy for any inquiries.