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De'Longhi BCO261B.1 Combined Pump Espresso and Filter Coffee Machine User Manual

Model: BCO261B.1

Introduction

Thank you for choosing the De'Longhi BCO261B.1 Combined Pump Espresso and Filter Coffee Machine. This appliance is designed to provide both rich espresso and classic filter coffee, offering versatility for your daily coffee needs. It features a 15-bar pump pressure for espresso, a 1.3-liter water tank, and a warming plate to keep your coffee at an optimal temperature. Please read this manual thoroughly before operating the appliance to ensure safe and efficient use.

Important Safety Instructions

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against fire, electric shock, and injury to persons, 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, and before cleaning the appliance.
- Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions, or has been damaged in any manner. Return appliance to the nearest authorized service facility for examination, repair, or adjustment.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may result in fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
- 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.
- 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.
- Scalding may occur if the reservoir cap is removed during the brewing cycle.

Package Contents

Please check that all components are present and undamaged:

- De'Longhi BCO261B.1 Combined Pump Espresso and Filter Coffee Machine
- Espresso Portafilter
- Filter for ground espresso coffee (1 or 2 cups)
- Filter for E.S.E. pods
- Measuring scoop/Tamper
- Glass carafe for filter coffee
- Permanent filter for filter coffee (or filter holder)
- Instruction Manual

Product Overview

Familiarize yourself with the main components of your coffee machine:



Image: The De'Longhi BCO261B.1 machine, showcasing its black and white design with the espresso section on the left and the filter coffee section on the right. The espresso side features a portafilter, steam wand, and control knobs. The filter coffee side includes a water reservoir, filter basket, and glass carafe on a warming plate.

Espresso Section:

- **A. Water Tank (Espresso)**: Removable tank for fresh water.
- **B. Control Knob**: For selecting espresso brewing, steam, or hot water.
- **C. Espresso Ready Light**: Indicates when the machine is at the correct temperature for brewing.
- **D. Steam/Hot Water Wand**: For frothing milk or dispensing hot water.
- **E. Portafilter**: Holds ground coffee or E.S.E. pods.
- **F. Drip Tray**: Collects excess liquid.

Filter Coffee Section:

- **G. Water Tank (Filter Coffee)**: Reservoir for filter coffee water.
- **H. Filter Basket**: Holds the permanent or paper filter and ground coffee.

- **I. Glass Carafe**: For collecting brewed filter coffee.
- **J. Warming Plate**: Keeps the brewed filter coffee warm.
- **K. On/Off Switch (Filter Coffee)**: Activates the filter coffee brewing process.

Setup

Before first use, follow these steps:

1. **Unpacking**: Remove all packaging materials and ensure all parts are present.
2. **Placement**: Place the machine on a stable, level surface, away from water splashes and heat sources.
3. **Cleaning**: Wash the water tanks, portafilter, filters, glass carafe, and drip tray with warm water and mild detergent. Rinse thoroughly.
4. **Filling the Water Tanks**: Fill both the espresso water tank (A) and the filter coffee water tank (G) with fresh, cold water up to the MAX level indicator.
5. **First Rinse (Espresso)**: Insert the portafilter (E) with no coffee into the espresso group head. Place a cup under the portafilter. Turn the control knob (B) to the coffee symbol and let water run through for about 30 seconds. Repeat this process for the steam wand (D) by turning the knob to the steam symbol.
6. **First Rinse (Filter Coffee)**: Place the empty filter basket (H) and glass carafe (I) in position. Turn on the filter coffee section (K) and let a full tank of water brew through. Discard the water.
7. **Power Connection**: Plug the appliance into a grounded electrical outlet.

Operating Instructions

Brewing Espresso

1. **Fill Water Tank**: Ensure the espresso water tank (A) is filled with fresh water.
2. **Prepare Portafilter**: Choose the appropriate filter for ground coffee (1 or 2 cups) or an E.S.E. pod.
3. **Add Coffee**: If using ground coffee, add the desired amount (approx. 7g per shot) to the filter and tamp firmly. If using an E.S.E. pod, place it centrally in the pod filter.
4. **Insert Portafilter**: Attach the portafilter (E) to the group head by aligning it and turning it firmly to the right until locked.
5. **Preheat Cups**: Place espresso cups on the warming plate or rinse with hot water from the steam wand.
6. **Brew Espresso**: Wait for the espresso ready light (C) to illuminate. Place cups under the portafilter spouts. Turn the control knob (B) to the coffee symbol. Once the desired amount of espresso is brewed, turn the knob back to the "O" (off) position.
7. **Remove Portafilter**: Carefully remove the portafilter by turning it to the left. Dispose of used coffee grounds or pod.

Brewing Filter Coffee

1. **Fill Water Tank**: Ensure the filter coffee water tank (G) is filled with fresh water to the desired number of cups.
2. **Prepare Filter Basket**: Place the permanent filter (or a paper filter) into the filter basket (H).
3. **Add Ground Coffee**: Add the desired amount of ground filter coffee to the filter. A general guideline is 1 scoop (approx. 7g) per cup.
4. **Position Carafe**: Place the glass carafe (I) on the warming plate (J).
5. **Start Brewing**: Press the On/Off switch (K) for the filter coffee section. The indicator light will illuminate, and brewing will begin.

6. **Serving**: Once brewing is complete, the warming plate will keep the coffee warm. The machine will automatically switch off after a period of time.

Frothing Milk (Espresso Section)

1. **Prepare Steam**: Turn the control knob (B) to the steam symbol. Wait for the steam ready light to illuminate.
2. **Prepare Milk**: Fill a pitcher with cold milk (dairy or non-dairy).
3. **Froth Milk**: Immerse the steam wand (D) into the milk. Turn the control knob to release steam. Move the pitcher up and down to create foam.
4. **Clean Wand**: After frothing, turn off the steam. Wipe the steam wand immediately with a damp cloth to prevent milk residue from drying.

Maintenance and Cleaning

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

Daily Cleaning:

- **Drip Tray**: Empty and clean the drip tray (F) daily.
- **Portafilter and Filters**: Rinse the portafilter (E) and filters under hot water after each use.
- **Steam Wand**: Wipe the steam wand (D) immediately after use.
- **Glass Carafe and Filter Basket**: Wash the glass carafe (I) and filter basket (H) after each use.
- **Exterior**: Wipe the exterior of the machine with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners.

Descaling:

Descaling is essential to remove mineral buildup and should be performed regularly, depending on water hardness and usage (typically every 2-3 months).

1. **Prepare Descaling Solution**: Follow the instructions on a suitable descaling solution (e.g., De'Longhi descaler) and mix with water in the espresso water tank (A).
2. **Run Descaling Cycle (Espresso)**: Place a large container under the portafilter and steam wand. Turn on the machine. Run half of the solution through the espresso spout and half through the steam wand. Let it sit for 10-15 minutes.
3. **Rinse (Espresso)**: Empty the water tank, rinse thoroughly, and fill with fresh water. Run several tanks of fresh water through both the espresso spout and steam wand to rinse.
4. **Run Descaling Cycle (Filter Coffee)**: Repeat a similar process for the filter coffee section, running the descaling solution through the filter coffee brewing cycle.
5. **Rinse (Filter Coffee)**: Rinse the filter coffee water tank and run several tanks of fresh water through the filter coffee section.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No coffee dispensed (Espresso)	No water in tank; tank not inserted correctly; machine not primed; clogged filter.	Fill water tank; reinsert tank; prime the machine (run water through steam wand); clean filter.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Coffee is too weak/watery	Insufficient coffee grounds; coffee too coarse; not enough tamping; machine needs descaling.	Increase coffee amount; use finer grind; tamp more firmly; descale the machine.
Coffee is too strong/slow flow	Too much coffee grounds; coffee too fine; excessive tamping.	Reduce coffee amount; use coarser grind; tamp less firmly.
Water leaking from machine	Water tank not seated correctly; drip tray full; seal issues.	Ensure water tank is properly seated; empty drip tray; contact customer support if seals are damaged.
Filter coffee not brewing	No water in tank; carafe not in place; power switch off.	Fill water tank; ensure carafe is correctly positioned; turn on the filter coffee switch.

Specifications

Feature	Specification
Brand	De'Longhi
Model Number	BCO261B.1 (Internal: AUC8004399329140)
Color	Black and White
Espresso Pump Pressure	15 bars
Water Tank Capacity	1.3 Liters
Material	Stainless Steel
Special Features	Adjustable Brewing with Pods and Grounds, Reusable Filter, Warming Plate
Item Weight	7.04 Kilograms
Coffee Maker Type	Espresso Machine (Combined with Filter Coffee)

Warranty and Support

This product comes with a manufacturer's warranty. For specific warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included in your product packaging or visit the official De'Longhi website. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

For technical assistance, spare parts, or service, please contact De'Longhi customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the official De'Longhi website or in the documentation provided with your appliance.

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