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Amazon Basics CM9431F-UL

Amazon Basics Programmable 12-Cup Drip Coffee Maker

MODEL: CM9431F-UL

User Manual

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:

1. Read all instructions.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
3. To protect against fire, electric shock, and injury to persons, do not immerse cord, plugs, or appliance in water or other liquid.
4. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may result in fire, electric shock, or injury to persons.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
10. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
11. 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.
12. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
13. Scalding may occur if the lid is removed during the brewing cycle.
14. The glass carafe is designed for use with this appliance only. It must never be used on a range top.
15. Do not set a hot carafe on a wet or cold surface.

16. Do not use a cracked carafe or a carafe having a loose or weakened handle.
17. Do not clean carafe with cleansers, steel wool pads, or other abrasive material.

Product Overview

Familiarize yourself with the components of your Amazon Basics Programmable 12-Cup Drip Coffee Maker.



Figure 1: Overview of the coffee maker's main parts, including the water reservoir, control panel, filter basket, and glass carafe.

Figure 2: Detailed view highlighting key features such as the removable filter basket, fill level gauge, heat-resistant Duralife glass carafe, and comfortable-grip handle.

Components:

- **Water Reservoir:** Holds water for brewing.
- **Water Level Indicator:** Shows the amount of water in the reservoir.

- **Control Panel:** Features 'Prog', 'Strength', 'Hour', 'Min', and 'On/Off' buttons.
- **Shower Head:** Distributes hot water evenly over coffee grounds.
- **Filter Basket:** Holds coffee grounds and filter. Removable for easy cleaning.
- **Glass Carafe:** Collects brewed coffee, with a 12-cup capacity.
- **Warming Plate:** Keeps brewed coffee warm.

Setup

Before first use, follow these steps to prepare your coffee maker:

1. **Unpack:** Carefully remove all packaging materials and any labels from the coffee maker.
2. **Wash Parts:** Wash the glass carafe, its lid, and the removable filter basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
3. **Initial Cleaning Cycle:**
   - Fill the water reservoir to the '12 MAX' level with fresh, cold water.
   - Place the empty carafe with its lid on the warming plate.
   - Do not add coffee grounds or a filter.
   - Press the 'On/Off' button to start a brewing cycle.
   - Once the cycle is complete, discard the water from the carafe.
   - Repeat this process once more with fresh water to ensure the appliance is clean and free of any manufacturing residues.

Operating Instructions

1. Setting the Clock

1. Plug the coffee maker into a standard electrical outlet. The display will show '12:00' or flash.
2. Press the 'HOUR' button repeatedly to set the current hour. The time will cycle through AM and PM.
3. Press the 'MIN' button repeatedly to set the current minutes.
4. The clock is now set.

2. Brewing Coffee

1. Open the top lid of the coffee maker.
2. Fill the glass carafe with the desired amount of cold, fresh water (up to 12 cups). Pour the water into the water reservoir. Ensure the water level does not exceed the '12 MAX' mark on the water level indicator.
3. Place a standard basket-style paper filter or the included reusable filter into the filter basket.
4. Add the desired amount of ground coffee into the filter. A general guideline is one level tablespoon of coffee per cup, but adjust to your taste.
5. Close the top lid securely.
6. Place the empty glass carafe with its lid onto the warming plate. Ensure it is properly seated to activate the drip-stop mechanism.
7. Press the 'On/Off' button. The indicator light will illuminate, and the brewing process will begin.
8. **Auto-Pause Feature:** You can temporarily remove the carafe during the brewing cycle to pour a cup of coffee. The brewing will pause for approximately 30 seconds. Replace the carafe promptly to prevent overflow.
9. Once brewing is complete, the coffee maker will keep the coffee warm for 2 hours before automatically shutting off.



Figure 3: The control panel with 'Prog', 'Strength', 'Hour', 'Min', and 'On/Off' buttons.

3. Programming Auto-Brew

You can set the coffee maker to automatically start brewing at a specific time.

1. First, ensure the current time is set correctly (see 'Setting the Clock' above).
2. Prepare the coffee maker for brewing as described in steps 1-6 of 'Brewing Coffee'.
3. Press the 'PROG' button. The word 'PROGRAM' will flash on the display.
4. Use the 'HOUR' and 'MIN' buttons to set the desired time you want the coffee to start brewing.
5. Press the 'PROG' button again to confirm the programmed time. 'PROGRAM' will stop flashing and remain illuminated.
6. Press the 'On/Off' button. The indicator light will turn on, and 'PROGRAM' will remain illuminated, indicating the auto-brew function is active.
7. The coffee maker will automatically start brewing at the programmed time.
8. To cancel the auto-brew function, press the 'On/Off' button again.

4. Adjusting Coffee Strength

You can customize the strength of your coffee:

1. After adding coffee grounds, press the 'STRENGTH' button.
2. Each press will cycle through available strength options (e.g., Regular, Bold). Select your preferred strength.
3. Proceed with brewing as usual.

Maintenance and Cleaning

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

Daily Cleaning

1. Always unplug the coffee maker from the electrical outlet and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
2. Wash the glass carafe, its lid, and the removable filter basket in warm, soapy water after each use. Rinse thoroughly and dry. These parts are also top-rack dishwasher safe.
3. Wipe the exterior of the coffee maker with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads, as they may scratch the surface.
4. Never immerse the main unit, cord, or plug in water or any other liquid.





Figure 4: The removable filter basket for easy cleaning and grounds disposal.

Descaling (Mineral Deposit Removal)

Mineral deposits (limescale) can build up in your coffee maker over time, affecting its performance. Descale your coffee maker monthly, or more frequently if you have hard water.

1. Mix 1 part white vinegar with 2 parts cold water. For example, if your carafe holds 12 cups, use 4 cups of vinegar and 8 cups of water.
2. Pour the vinegar solution into the water reservoir.
3. Place the empty glass carafe with its lid on the warming plate.
4. Do not add coffee grounds or a filter.
5. Press the 'On/Off' button to start a brewing cycle.
6. After about half of the solution has brewed through, press the 'On/Off' button to turn off the coffee maker and let it soak for 15 minutes.
7. Press the 'On/Off' button again to complete the brewing cycle.
8. Discard the vinegar solution from the carafe.
9. Fill the water reservoir with fresh, cold water and run 2-3 full brewing cycles with just water to rinse out any remaining vinegar taste or smell. Discard water after each cycle.

Troubleshooting

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

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution

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Coffee does not brew.	Coffee maker is not plugged in. Water reservoir is empty. 'On/Off' button not pressed.	Ensure the coffee maker is securely plugged into a working outlet. Fill the water reservoir with water. Press the 'On/Off' button.
Coffee is too weak or too strong.	Incorrect coffee-to-water ratio. Coffee strength setting is incorrect.	Adjust the amount of coffee grounds used. Use the 'STRENGTH' button to select desired strength.
Filter basket overflows.	Too much coffee grounds. Filter is clogged. Carafe not properly placed on warming plate.	Reduce the amount of coffee grounds. Use a fresh filter or clean the reusable filter thoroughly. Ensure the carafe is fully seated on the warming plate.
Coffee maker leaks.	Water reservoir overfilled. Carafe not properly seated.	Do not fill water past the '12 MAX' line. Ensure the carafe is fully seated on the warming plate.
Coffee has an unusual taste.	Coffee maker needs descaling. Old or stale coffee grounds.	Perform a descaling cycle (see 'Maintenance and Cleaning'). Use fresh coffee grounds.

Specifications

Brand	Amazon Basics
Model Number	CM9431F-UL
Capacity	12 Cups (1.8 Liters)
Product Dimensions (D x W x H)	8.27"D x 7.48"W x 13"H
Item Weight	1.89 kg
Color	Black & Silver
Special Features	24-hour programmable timer, 2-hour auto shut-off, Auto Pause, Touchscreen, Removable filter basket
Filter Type	Reusable

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