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Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker Instruction Manual

Model: 4897074553961

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to your new Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker. This manual provides essential information for safe operation, proper setup, routine maintenance, and effective troubleshooting to ensure optimal performance and longevity of your appliance. Please read all instructions carefully before first use and retain this manual for future reference.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

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 before operating the coffee maker.
- Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
- To protect against fire, electric shock, and personal injury, do not immerse cord, plugs, or the coffee maker 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.
- The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may result in fire, electric shock, or personal injury.
- 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.

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Familiarize yourself with the main components of your Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker.



This image displays the Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker disassembled, showing the main unit, the removable filter basket, and the glass carafe. These are the primary components you will interact with for brewing and cleaning.





This image shows the Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker with its top lid open, revealing the water reservoir and the area where the

filter basket is placed. This view is essential for understanding how to add water and coffee grounds.

SETUP

Before using your coffee maker for the first time, follow these steps:

1. Unpack the coffee maker and remove all packaging materials, labels, and stickers.
2. Place the coffee maker on a flat, stable, heat-resistant surface, away from the edge of the counter.
3. Wash the glass carafe, lid, and reusable filter basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry.
4. For initial cleaning, fill the water reservoir to the 'MAX' level with cold water. Run a complete brew cycle without adding coffee grounds. Discard the water from the carafe. Repeat this process once more with fresh water to ensure thorough cleaning.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps to brew a fresh pot of coffee:

1. Open the top lid of the coffee maker.
2. Fill the glass carafe with fresh, cold water to the desired cup marking. Pour this water into the water reservoir. Do not exceed the 'MAX' fill line.
3. Place the reusable filter basket securely into its holder.
4. Add the desired amount of ground coffee to the filter basket. A general guideline is one tablespoon of ground coffee per cup, but adjust to your personal taste.
5. Close the top lid firmly.
6. Place the empty glass carafe with its lid on the warming plate, ensuring it is centered to activate the drip-stop mechanism.
7. Plug the power cord into a standard electrical outlet.
8. Press the power switch to the 'ON' position. The indicator light will illuminate, and brewing will begin.



This image provides a close-up view of the red power switch located at the base of the Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker, indicating its ON/OFF functionality. Press this switch to start or stop the brewing process.

The coffee maker will automatically shut off after brewing is complete or after a period of inactivity, thanks to its auto shut-off feature. Carefully remove the carafe to pour and serve your coffee.

MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING

Regular cleaning ensures optimal performance and taste.

Daily Cleaning

- Always unplug the coffee maker and allow it to cool completely before cleaning.
- Wash the glass carafe, lid, and reusable filter basket in warm, soapy water. Rinse thoroughly and dry. These parts are generally top-rack dishwasher safe, but hand washing is recommended for longevity.
- Wipe the exterior of the coffee maker with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or scouring pads.
- Never immerse the main unit of the coffee maker in water or any other liquid.

Descaling (Mineral Deposit Removal)

Mineral deposits (calcium) can build up in your coffee maker over time, affecting its performance and the taste of your coffee. Descale your coffee maker every 2-4 weeks, or more frequently if you have hard water.

1. Fill the water reservoir with a mixture of white vinegar and cold water (1 part vinegar to 2 parts water).
2. Place the empty carafe on the warming plate.
3. Run a full brew cycle with the vinegar solution.
4. After the cycle is complete, turn off the coffee maker and let it sit for 15 minutes.
5. Discard the vinegar solution from the carafe and rinse the carafe thoroughly.
6. Fill the water reservoir with fresh, cold water and run two full brew cycles to rinse out any remaining vinegar taste. Discard the water after each cycle.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

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

| Problem | Possible Cause | Solution |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Coffee maker does not turn on. | Not plugged in; power switch off; power outage. | Ensure the power cord is securely plugged into a working outlet. Check if the power switch is in the 'ON' position. Verify power supply to the outlet. |
| Coffee is not brewing. | No water in reservoir; carafe not properly placed; clogged filter. | Fill the water reservoir to the desired level. Ensure the carafe is centered on the warming plate. Check if the filter basket is clean and not clogged. |
| Coffee tastes weak or too strong. | Incorrect coffee-to-water ratio; coffee grind size. | Adjust the amount of coffee grounds used. For stronger coffee, use more grounds; for weaker, use less. Ensure coffee is medium grind for drip coffee makers. |
| Coffee maker is leaking. | Water reservoir overfilled; carafe not properly placed; lid not closed. | Do not exceed the 'MAX' fill line in the water reservoir. Ensure the carafe is correctly positioned. Close the top lid securely. |
| Brewing is slow. | Mineral buildup (scaling). | Descale the coffee maker as described in the 'Maintenance and Cleaning' section. |

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Key technical details for your Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker:

- **Brand:** Generic
- **Model Name:** MAINSTAY
- **Model Number:** 4897074553961
- **Capacity:** 5 Cups
- **Color:** WHITE
- **Material:** Glass (Carafe)
- **Product Dimensions (D x W x H):** 8.21"D x 10.12"W x 5.89"H
- **Special Feature:** Auto Shut-Off
- **Filter Type:** Reusable



This image illustrates the dimensions of the Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker, showing its height (25.7cm / 10.12in), width (20.8cm / 8.21in), and depth (15cm / 5.89in) measurements for proper placement and space planning.

WARRANTY AND CUSTOMER SUPPORT

This Mainstays 5 Cup Coffee Maker comes with a standard manufacturer's warranty. For specific warranty details, duration, and terms, please refer to the product packaging or the documentation provided at the time of purchase. For customer support, technical assistance, or to inquire about replacement parts, please contact the retailer from whom you purchased this product. Please have your model number (4897074553961) ready when contacting support.

