GIGABYTE X870 AORUS ELITE WIFI7 ICE

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Model: X870 AORUS ELITE WIFI7 ICE

1. Introduction

This manual provides detailed instructions for the installation, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting of the GIGABYTE X870 AORUS Elite WIFI7 ICE AMD AM5 Motherboard. Please read this manual thoroughly before beginning installation to ensure proper setup and optimal performance of your system.



Image 1.1: GIGABYTE X870 AORUS Elite WIFI7 ICE Motherboard and its retail packaging.

2. Safety Information

- Always disconnect the power cord from the electrical outlet before installing or removing any components.
- Wear an anti-static wrist strap to prevent electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage to components. If an anti-static wrist strap is not available, discharge static electricity by touching a grounded metal object before handling components.
- Handle components by their edges to avoid touching sensitive parts.
- Keep the motherboard and components away from moisture.
- Ensure proper ventilation within your computer case to prevent overheating.

3. Package Contents

Verify that all items listed below are present in your motherboard package. If any item is missing or damaged, contact your retailer.

- GIGABYTE X870 AORUS Elite WIFI7 ICE Motherboard
- I/O Shield
- SATA Cables (x2)
- M.2 Screws with Standoffs
- Wi-Fi Antennas
- User Manual and Quick Start Guide

4. Product Overview

The GIGABYTE X870 AORUS Elite WIFI7 ICE motherboard is designed for AMD AM5 processors, offering advanced features for high-performance computing. It supports DDR5 memory, PCIe 5.0, and includes multiple M.2 slots for storage.

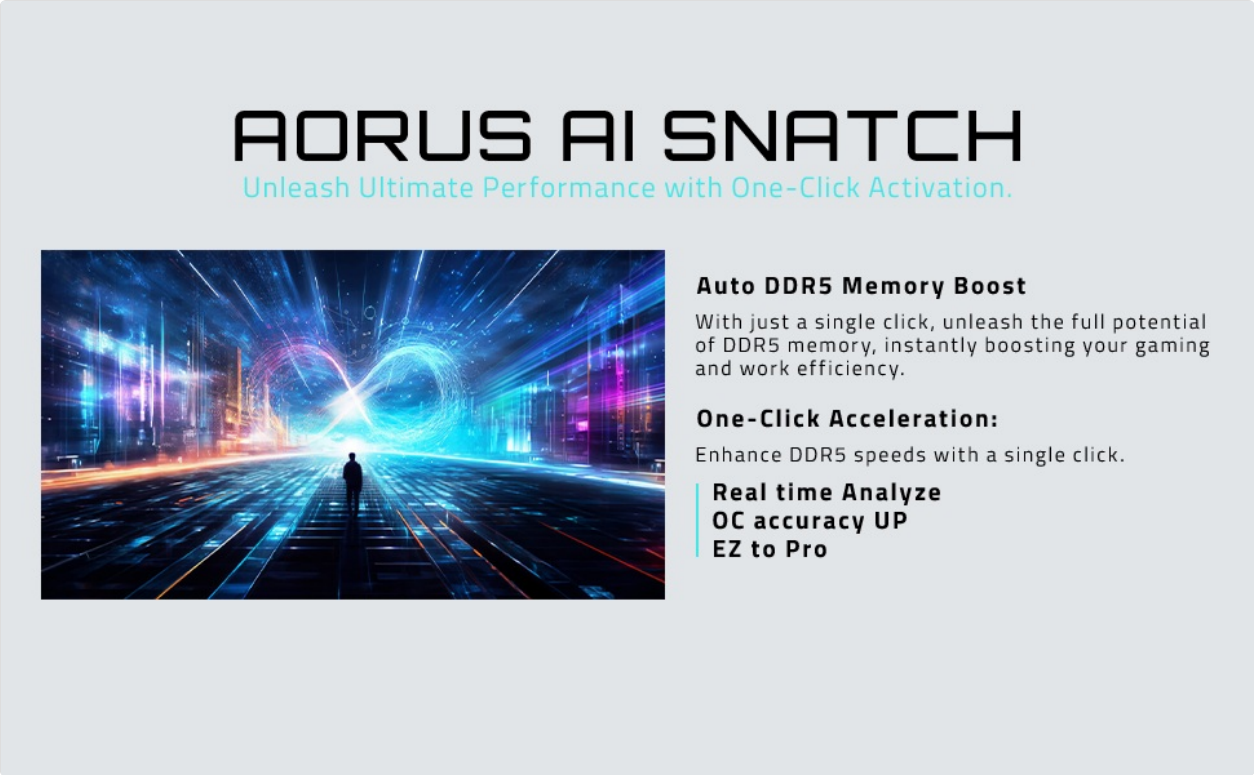


Image 4.1: Overview of the motherboard's durable performance features, including Digital Twin VRM Design and All-round Connectivity.

4.1 Key Features

- **AMD Socket AM5:** Supports AMD Ryzen 9000, 8000, and 7000 Series Processors.
- **Digital Twin VRM Solution:** Features a 16+2+2 phase power delivery for stable performance.
- **DDR5 Memory Support:** Four DIMM slots with AMD EXPO Memory Module Support.
- **Advanced Networking:** Includes 2.5GbE LAN and Wi-Fi 7 with a directional ultra-high gain antenna.
- **Ultra-Fast Storage:** Four M.2 slots, with three supporting PCIe 5.0 x4.
- **Extended Connectivity:** Dual USB4 Type-C ports with DP-Alt mode and HDMI output.
- **Reliable Audio:** Realtek ALC1220 HD Audio with audiophile-grade capacitors.
- **Enhanced Durability:** PCIe UD Slot X with 10X strength for graphics cards and Ultra Durable PCIe Armor.

4.2 Component Layout

Familiarize yourself with the various components and connectors on the motherboard.



Image 4.2: Top-down view of the motherboard, showing the CPU socket, DIMM slots, PCIe slots, and M.2 heatsinks.

4.3 Rear I/O Panel

The rear I/O panel provides various ports for connecting external devices.

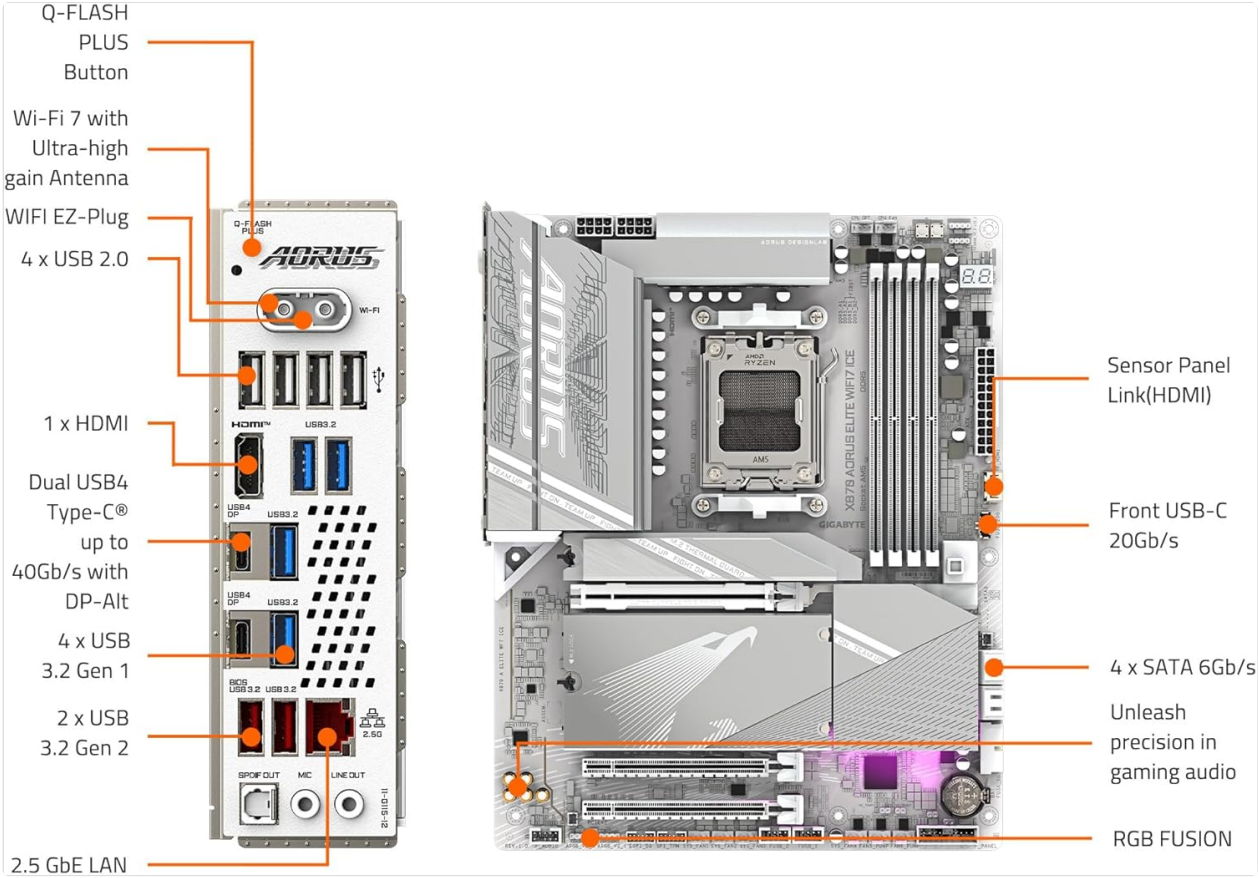


Image 4.3: Detailed view of the rear I/O panel, highlighting the Q-Flash Plus button, Wi-Fi 7 antenna connectors, USB ports, HDMI, USB4 Type-C, 2.5GbE LAN, and audio jacks.

- **Q-Flash Plus Button:** For updating BIOS without CPU, RAM, or GPU.
- **Wi-Fi 7 Antenna Connectors:** For attaching the included Wi-Fi antennas.
- **USB 2.0 Ports (x4):** For connecting peripherals.
- **HDMI Port:** For video output from integrated graphics.
- **USB 3.2 Gen 1 Ports (x4):** For high-speed USB devices.
- **USB 3.2 Gen 2 Ports (x2):** For even faster USB devices.
- **Dual USB4 Type-C Ports:** With DisplayPort Alternate Mode, offering up to 40Gb/s data transfer.
- **2.5GbE LAN Port:** For high-speed wired network connection.
- **Audio Jacks:** Line Out, Mic In, and S/PDIF Out for audio connections.

5. Setup and Installation

Follow these steps for proper installation of your motherboard and components.



Image 5.1: Features designed for easy assembly, including WIFI EZ-Plug, EZ-Latch Designs, and Fast-Access Controls.

5.1 CPU Installation

1. Open the CPU socket lever.
2. Carefully align the CPU with the socket, ensuring the triangular mark on the CPU matches the mark on the socket.
3. Gently place the CPU into the socket without forcing it.
4. Close the CPU socket lever to secure the CPU.

5.2 Memory (RAM) Installation

1. Open the clips on both ends of the DIMM slots.
2. Align the notch on the DDR5 memory module with the key in the DIMM slot.
3. Insert the memory module firmly into the slot until the clips snap into place.

5.3 Storage Device (M.2 SSD) Installation

The motherboard features EZ-Latch Plus for PCIe and M.2 slots, and EZ-Latch Click for M.2 heatsinks, simplifying installation.

1. Locate an available M.2 slot and remove the M.2 Thermal Guard L or M.2 Thermal Guard Ext. heatsink.
2. Insert the M.2 SSD into the slot at an angle.
3. Press down the M.2 SSD and secure it using the EZ-Latch mechanism.
4. Reattach the M.2 heatsink, securing it with the EZ-Latch Click mechanism.

5.4 Graphics Card (PCIe) Installation

The PCIe UD Slot X offers enhanced durability for graphics cards, and the PCIe EZ-Latch Plus simplifies removal.

1. Open the retention clip on the PCIe x16 slot.

2. Align your graphics card with the slot and press it down firmly until it clicks into place.
3. Secure the graphics card to your chassis with screws.

5.5 Power Connections

- Connect the 24-pin ATX main power connector from your power supply to the motherboard.
- Connect the 8-pin (or 4+4-pin) ATX 12V power connector(s) to the motherboard.

6. Operating Instructions

6.1 BIOS Setup

To enter the BIOS setup, press the**Delete** key during system startup. The BIOS allows you to configure system settings, boot order, and monitor hardware status. The BIOS features a user-friendly Multi-Theme UI and AIO Fan Control.

6.2 Driver and Software Installation

After installing your operating system, install the necessary drivers for the motherboard components (chipset, LAN, audio, Wi-Fi, etc.) from the GIGABYTE support website or the included driver disk. GIGABYTE also provides utility software for system monitoring and optimization.

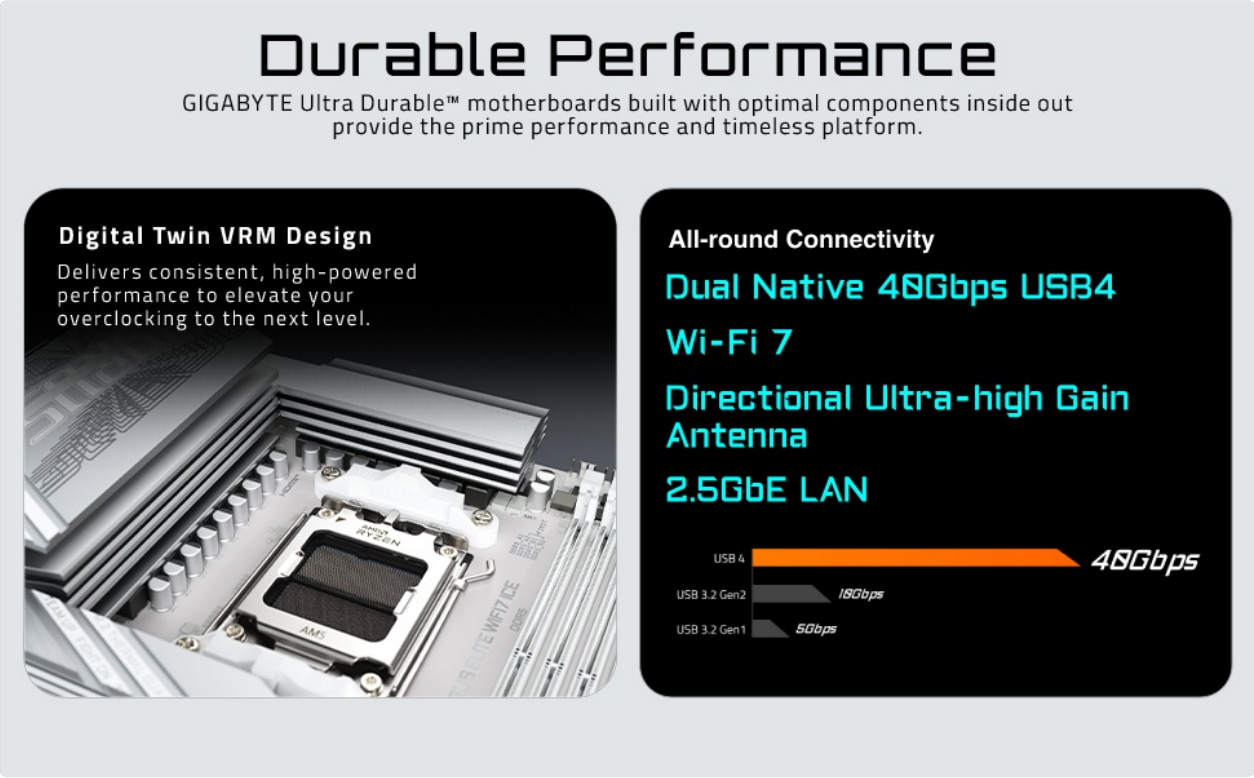


Image 6.1: AORUS AI SNATCH features, including Auto DDR5 Memory Boost and One-Click Acceleration for performance enhancement.

7. Maintenance

- **Cleaning:** Regularly clean dust from inside your computer case, especially around fans and heatsinks, using compressed air. Ensure the system is powered off and unplugged before cleaning.
- **BIOS Updates:** Periodically check the GIGABYTE website for BIOS updates. BIOS updates can improve system stability, compatibility, and performance. Use the Q-Flash Auto Scan feature in BIOS or Q-Flash

Plus for updates.

- **Driver Updates:** Keep your drivers updated to ensure optimal performance and compatibility with new software and hardware.

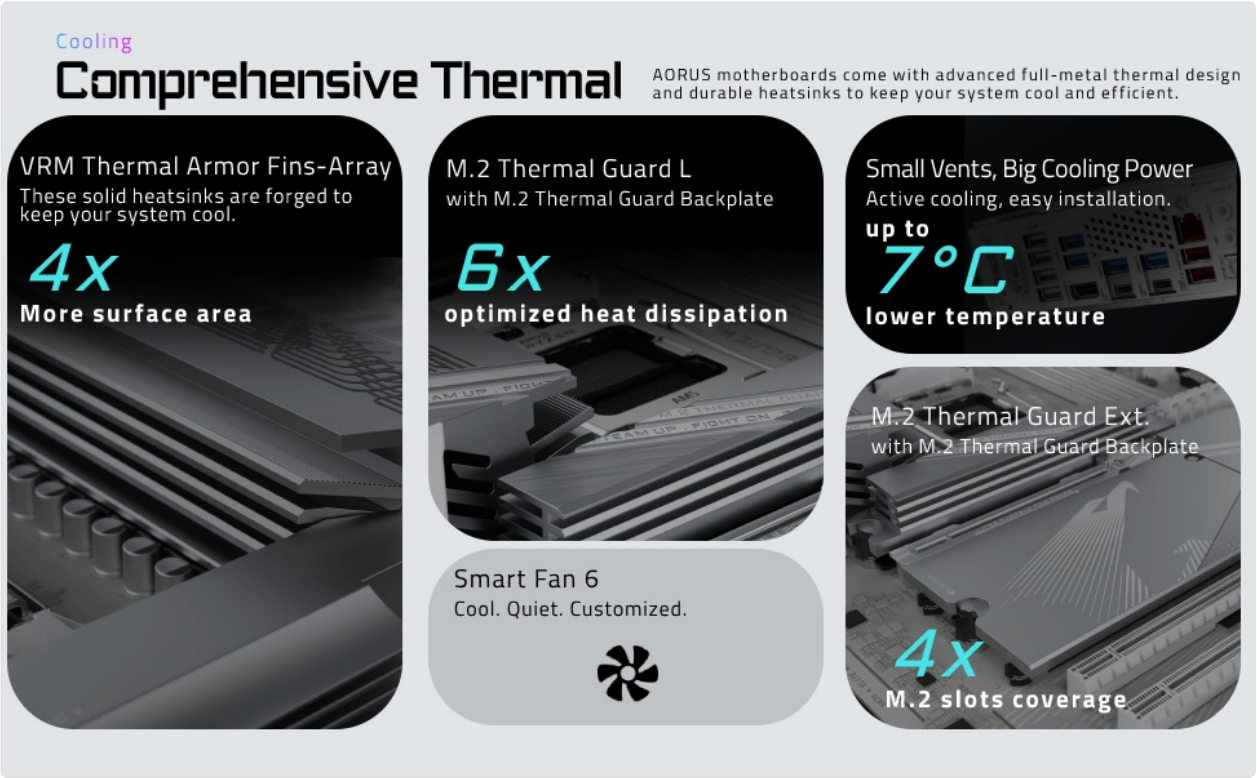


Image 7.1: Overview of the motherboard's comprehensive thermal design, including VRM Thermal Armor Fins-Array, M.2 Thermal Guard L, and Smart Fan 6.

8. Troubleshooting

This section addresses common issues you might encounter.

- **No Power/No Boot:**
  - Ensure all power cables (24-pin ATX, 8-pin ATX 12V) are securely connected.
  - Check if the power supply is functional.
  - Verify that the CPU and RAM are correctly installed.
  - Utilize the EZ Debug Zone on the motherboard for diagnostic codes.
- **No Display:**
  - Ensure the monitor cable is connected to the graphics card (or motherboard if using integrated graphics).
  - Reseat the graphics card and memory modules.
  - Test with a different monitor or display cable.
- **Network Connectivity Issues:**
  - For wired LAN, ensure the Ethernet cable is properly connected and the LAN driver is installed.
  - For Wi-Fi, ensure the Wi-Fi antennas are securely attached and the Wi-Fi driver is installed.
  - Check router/modem functionality.
- **System Instability/Crashes:**
  - Ensure all drivers are up to date.
  - Check for overheating using monitoring software.

- Run memory diagnostic tools to check RAM integrity.
- Update BIOS to the latest version.

9. Specifications

Feature	Specification
Brand	GIGABYTE
Model Name	X870 AORUS ELITE WIFI7 ICE
CPU Socket	Socket AM5
Compatible Processors	AMD Ryzen 7000, 8000, 9000 series
Chipset Type	AMD X870
RAM Memory Technology	DDR5
Memory Speed	5600 MHz (Base, supports higher via OC)
Memory Storage Capacity	Up to 128 GB
Product Dimensions (LxWxH)	9.61 x 8.9 x 10.43 inches
Item Weight	4.41 pounds
Platform	Windows 11
Color	Snow White

10. Warranty and Support

The GIGABYTE X870 AORUS Elite WIFI7 ICE Motherboard comes with a 5-Year Warranty, ensuring long-term reliability and support for your investment.
For technical assistance, driver downloads, BIOS updates, and further product information, please visit the official GIGABYTE support website. You can find detailed FAQs and contact information for customer service there.
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