

Nothing B173

Nothing Ear (3) Wireless Earbuds User Manual

MODEL: B173

Brand: Nothing

1. Introduction

The Nothing Ear (3) wireless earbuds are designed to provide a high-quality audio experience with advanced features for various activities. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, and maintaining your earbuds.

2. What's in the Box

- Nothing Ear (3) Earbuds
- Wireless Charging Case
- USB-C to USB-C Cable
- Eartips (XS / S / L)
- User Manual
- Safety and Warranty Information



Image: All items included in the Nothing Ear (3) product packaging.

3. Setup

3.1 Initial Pairing

1. Ensure your Nothing Ear (3) earbuds are in the charging case and the case is charged.
2. Open the charging case lid. The indicator light should begin to flash, indicating pairing mode.
3. On your device (smartphone, tablet, laptop), go to Bluetooth settings and select "Nothing Ear (3)" from the list of available devices.
4. Follow any on-screen prompts to complete the pairing process.

3.2 Nothing X App Installation

For full functionality and customization, download the Nothing X app from your device's app store. The app allows you to adjust EQ settings, manage Active Noise Cancellation, customize controls, and access other advanced features.



Image: The Nothing X App provides comprehensive control over your Ear (3) earbuds.

4. Operating Instructions

4.1 Touch Controls

The Nothing Ear (3) features intuitive pinch controls on the earbud stems. These controls can be customized via the Nothing X app.

- **Single Pinch:** Play/Pause audio, Answer/End call.
- **Double Pinch:** Skip forward, Decline incoming call.
- **Triple Pinch:** Skip back.
- **Pinch & Hold:** Toggle Noise Control (ANC/Transparency/Off).
- **Double Pinch & Hold:** Volume down (customizable).

4.2 Active Noise Cancellation (ANC) & Transparency Mode

The earbuds offer up to 45 dB of Smart Hybrid ANC to reduce ambient noise. Transparency Mode allows you to hear your surroundings without removing the earbuds.

- **Toggle Modes:** Use the Pinch & Hold gesture on either earbud to cycle through ANC, Transparency, and Off modes.
- **Adaptive ANC:** The Nothing X app allows for adaptive ANC settings, adjusting noise cancellation levels based on your environment.



Image: The 'TALK' button on the charging case for Super Mic activation.

4.4 Spatial Audio

Experience immersive sound with Spatial Audio. This feature can be toggled between 'Fixed' and 'Off' modes within the Nothing X app.

4.5 Low Lag Mode (Gaming)

Activate Low Lag Mode via the Nothing X app for optimized audio synchronization during gaming sessions on compatible devices.

4.6 Dual Connection

The earbuds support Bluetooth 5.4 with Dual Connect, allowing seamless switching between two paired devices (e.g., phone and laptop).

5. Charging and Battery

The Nothing Ear (3) provides up to 10 hours of continuous playback, with a total of 38 hours using the charging case. A quick 10-minute charge can provide an additional 10 hours of use.

- **Wired Charging:** Use the provided USB-C to USB-C cable to charge the case.
- **Wireless Charging:** The charging case supports wireless charging.



Image: Battery life and charging capabilities of Nothing Ear (3).

6. Maintenance and Care

- **Water Resistance:** The earbuds have an IP54 rating, making them water resistant and suitable for workouts and light rain. The charging case also has an IP54 rating.
- **Cleaning:** Regularly clean the earbuds and charging case with a soft, dry cloth. Ensure no moisture enters the charging ports or speaker grilles.
- **Eartips:** Remove and clean eartips periodically. Replace them if they show signs of wear or damage.

7. Troubleshooting

- **No Sound:** Ensure earbuds are charged, properly paired, and volume is up on both the earbuds and your device.
- **Pairing Issues:** Place earbuds back in the case, close the lid, then open it again to re-enter pairing mode. Forget the device on your phone's Bluetooth settings and try pairing again.
- **ANC Not Working:** Check ANC settings in the Nothing X app. Ensure eartips provide a good seal.
- **Poor Call Quality:** Ensure Super Mic is activated correctly in noisy environments. Check earbud microphone grilles for obstructions.
- **App Issues:** Ensure the Nothing X app is updated to the latest version. Restart the app or your

device if problems persist.

8. Specifications

Model Name	Nothing Ear (3)
Item Model Number	B173
Noise Control	Hybrid Active Noise Cancellation (up to 45 dB)
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth 5.4, Wireless
Audio Driver Size	12 Millimeters Dynamic Driver
Water Resistance Level	IP54 (Earbuds & Case)
Battery Life (Earbuds)	Up to 10 hours
Total Battery Life (with Case)	Up to 38 hours
Fast Charging	10 min charge for 10 hours playback
Wireless Charging	Supported
Microphones	6 HD Microphones (earbuds), Dual-Microphone System (case for Super Mic)
Material	Aluminum, Plastic
Item Weight	71.4 Grams (Case)

9. Official Product Video

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Video: An official overview of the Nothing Ear (3) Wireless Earbuds, highlighting key features like 45dB Hybrid ANC.

10. Warranty and Support

For warranty information and customer support, please refer to the 'Safety and Warranty Information' document included in your product packaging or visit the official Nothing website.

