

LIMITED WARRANTY* ONE (1) YEAR:

Your small kitchen appliance is warranted to the original purchaser to be free from any manufacturing defects under normal use and conditions for one (1) year, cord excluded. During that period, should the appliance fail to operate properly, return the appliance with your sales receipt to the store where purchased (store return policy may vary). If you use your appliance for household use and according to instructions, it should give you years of satisfactory service. This product warranty covers only the original consumer purchaser of the product.

Warranty is only valid with a dated proof of purchase.

To guarantee repair or replacement without charge, a dated sales receipt showing purchase within the limited warranty period* must accompany the appliance. Without a sales receipt, warranty will be estimated according to the appliance's manufactured date. A comparable appliance should arrive within 2-3 weeks. However, in case an appliance is not covered by warranty, correspondence offering alternatives will be mailed to you.

During the one-year warranty period, a product with a defect will be either repaired or replaced with a reconditioned comparable model (at our option) when the product is returned to our Service Center. (See the "Returns" section below). The repaired or replacement product will be in warranty for the remaining balance of the one-year warranty period and an additional one-month period.

This limited warranty covers appliances purchased and used within the United States plus the District of Columbia Columbia; excluding Puerto Rico & Virgin Islands and does NOT cover:

- Damages caused by unreasonable use, neglect, normal wear and tear, commercial use, improper assembly or installation of product.
- Damages caused in shipping.
- Damages caused by replacement or resetting of house fuses or circuit breakers.
- Defects other than manufacturing defects.
- Breakage caused by misuse, abuse, accident, alteration, lack of proper care and maintenance, or incorrect current or voltage.
- Lost or missing parts of the product. Parts will need to be purchased separately.
- Damages of parts that are not electrical; for example: cracked or broken plastic or glass.
- Damage from service or repair by unauthorized personnel.
- Extended warranties purchased via a separate company or reseller.
- Consumer's remorse is not an acceptable reason to return a product to our Service Center.

*The consumer is responsible for any delivery charges for all replacement units provided for exchange under the warranty.

RETURNS: Any return of defective merchandise to the manufacturer must be processed accordingly by contacting customer service first to obtain an RA # (Return Authorization Number). We will not accept any returns of merchandise without an applicable RA #.

We cannot assume responsibility for loss or damages to products returned to us during incoming shipment. For your protection, always carefully package the product for shipment and insure it with the carrier. Be sure to enclose the following items with your return: any accessories related to the problem, your full address and daytime phone number, a note describing the problem, a copy of the dated sales receipt or other proof of purchase and a valid RA#.

C.O.D shipments cannot be accepted.

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This warranty is effective only if the product is purchased and operated in the USA; product usage which is in violation of the written instructions provided with the unit will void this warranty.

For international warranty, please contact the local distributor.

**Any instruction or policy included in this manual may be subject to change at any time.

ERC-150

Elite Gourmet Cool Touch 8 Cup Rice Cooker

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8 Cup Programmable Rice Cooker



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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Please read through all instructions carefully before operation and be sure to keep the manual in a safe place for future reference.

IMPORTANT SAFE GUARDS:

Basic safety precautions should always be followed when using electrical appliances, including the following:

1. Important: Read all instructions carefully.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
3. To protect against electrical shock, do not immerse cord, plug or the appliance itself in water or other liquid.
4. Close supervision is necessary when the appliance is used by/or near children.
5. Unplug from outlet when not in use and before cleaning. Allow unit 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. Do not use attachments or accessories other than those supplied or recommended by the manufacturer. Incompatible parts create a hazard.
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 burner or in a heated oven.
11. Do not use the appliance for other than intended use.
12. Do not clean with metal scouring pads. Pieces can break off the pad and touch electrical parts, creating a risk of electric shock. Metal-scouring pads may also damage the finish.
13. Always unplug from the base of the wall outlet. Never pull on the cord.
14. The rice cooker should be operated on a separate electrical circuit from other operating appliances. If the electric circuit is overloaded with other appliances, this appliance may not operate properly.
15. Store the rice cooker in a cool, dry place.
16. Avoid sudden temperature changes when using the rice cooker.
17. Use only with 120V AC power outlet.
18. Always make sure the outside of the inner cooking pot is dry prior to use. If cooking pot is returned to cooker when wet, it will damage this product causing it to malfunction.
19. Use extreme caution when opening the lid during or after cooking. Hot steam will escape and could cause burns.
20. Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids.
21. 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.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

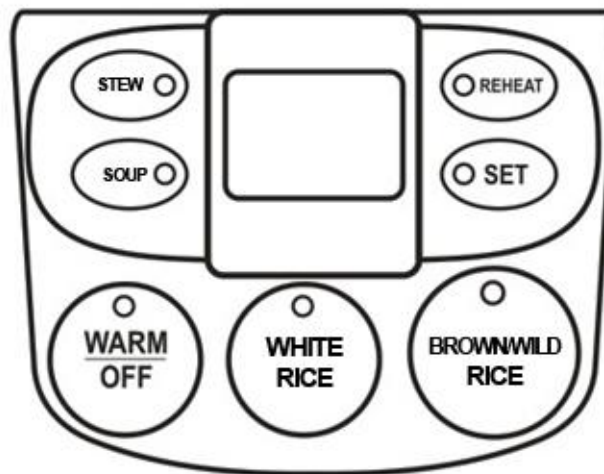
OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS:

Please read this instructions carefully before using the appliance.

CAUTIONS TO READ BEFORE USING RICE COOKER:

1. Only use this product with the correct AC voltage outlet.(Correct rated voltage see box and label at the bottom of rice cooker.)
2. Be sure to unplug AC cord when pan is not in cooker, or when cooker is not being used.
3. Place the inner pot inside the cooker before operating. Turn the pot gently to right and left.
4. Keep bottom of inner pot and surface of heater plate free of foreign matter to prevent operating malfunctions.

DETAILED FUNCTION:



1. **BROWN / WILD RICE:** Longer cook-time cycle. Brown or Wild Rice has a thick bran layer that is coated with a waxy membrane. It is difficult for moisture to penetrate these layers. Therefore, the cooking time of 1 hour allows moisture to penetrate the rice to cook it perfectly.
2. **WHITE RICE:** Cooks all types of white rice to perfection.
3. **WARM/OFF:** Keeps rice or other food warm up to 12 hours, then automatically cycles back to standby. Warming displays "bb"
4. **SOUP:** Cooks all types of delicious soups to perfection.
5. **STEW:** The default time for cooking stew is 1-hour and 15 minutes..
6. **REHEAT:** Warming plate is between 175° - 185°F degrees. When it reaches 185°F degrees, it will function for 10 minutes and automatically cycle to "WARM".
7. **SET:** Pre-set the cooker to come on automatically. The default time is 3-hours. Press the SET button to increase the time by 1-hour increments. Maximum time is up to 12-hours.

How to Cook Rice & Other Functions

I. Brown/Wild Rice:

Brown or Wild Rice has a thick bran layer that is coated with a waxy membrane. It is difficult for moisture to penetrate these layers. Therefore, the cooking time of 1 hour allows moisture to penetrate the rice to cook it perfectly.

- Measure out the desired amount of rice you wish to cook.
- Prepare rice by rinsing in water thoroughly and discard the water.
- Place rice into the nonstick cooking pot.
- Add cooking water. Ratio is approximately 1 to 2.5 water. (For example 1 Cup Rice to 2.5 cups water.) **TIP:** As a general rule allow the water to over-lap the level of the rice by approx. 1-inch.
- Always make sure there is rice and water inside the pot before turning on the rice cooker.
- Shut the lid.
- Press the Brown/Wild Rice Button to Start.
- When the rice has finished cooking and all the water has evaporated, the internal sensor will automatically set itself to Keep Warm.

II. White Rice:

- Measure out the desired amount of rice you wish to cook.
- Prepare white rice by rinsing in water thoroughly and discard the water.
- Place rice into the nonstick cooking pot.
- Add cooking water. Ratio is approximately 1 to 2 water. (For example 1 Cup Rice to 2 cups water.) **TIP:** As a general rule allow the water to over-lap the level of the rice by approx. 3/4-inch.
- Always make sure there is rice and water inside the pot before turning on the rice cooker.
- Shut the lid.
- Press the White Rice Button to Start.
- When the rice has finished cooking and all the water has evaporated, the internal sensor will automatically set itself to Keep Warm.

III. Soup:

- Prepare soup ingredients and place into the nonstick cooking pot.
- Add water or cooking stock to the ingredients.
- Shut the lid.
- Press the SOUP Button to start.
- When the cooking time has reached the desired cook time, press WARM/OFF button by manually to shut the machine off.

IV. Stew:

- The default time for cooking soup is 1-hour and 15 Minutes.
- Prepare stew ingredients and place into the nonstick cooking pot.
- Add water or cooking stock to the ingredients.
- Shut the lid.
- Press the STEW Button to start.
- When the cooking time has reached "00", the unit will automatically go to Keep Warm which is indicated by "bb" symbol in the display.

V. Reheat

- Place foods to reheat into nonstick inner pot and place inside rice cooker.
- Press REHEAT button to turn on.
- The temperature will increase to 175-185°F degrees and when it get to 185°F degrees it toggles between 10 minutes on and "warm" in order to maintain correct temperature.

VI. Set

- The default pre-set time is 3-hours. Press the SET button to increase the time by 1-hour increments. Maximum time is up to 12-hours.
- Once the time has been set, choose the cooking function desired. The rice cooker will automatically count down the time that was set and begin the cooking process once that time has been reached.

VII. Warm

- As soon as the WARM/OFF light is on, the system enters into keep warm mode. The keep warm mode shall not last more than 12 hours.
- Do not keep perishable items in Warm Mode for too long. To cancel the keep warm mode, press the warm/off button again.

COOKING CHART

RICE/WATER MEASUREMENT CHART:

UNCOOKED RICE	WATER WITH MEAS. CUP	INNER POT WATER LINE	UNCOOKED BROWN RICE ADD	APPROX. COOKED RICE YIELD	APPROX. COOK TIME
2 Cups	2 – ½ Cups	Line 2	½ Cup Water	4 Cups	7 Min.
3 Cups	3 – ½ Cups	Line 3	½ Cup Water	6 Cups	10 Min.
4 Cups	4 – ½ Cups	Line 4	½ Cup Water	8 Cups	12 Min.
5 Cups	5 – ½ Cups	Line 5	¾ Cup Water	10 Cups	15 Min.
6 Cups	6 – ½ Cups	Line 6	¾ Cup Water	12 Cups	17 Min.
7 Cups	7 – ½ Cups	Line 7	¾ Cup Water	14 Cups	20 Min.
8 Cups	8 – ½ Cups	Line 8	¾ Cup Water	16 Cups	23 Min.

NOTE:

- When cooking brown or wild rice, it will be necessary to add additional water. Refer to chart.
- The measuring cup included is not an exact cup. Chart refers to cups of rice/water based on the measuring cup provided.
- This is only a general measuring guide. As there are many different kinds of rice available, rice/water measurement may vary slightly.

STEAMING CHART

VEGETABLE	AMOUNT OF WATER	STEAMING TIME
Asparagus	1/2 Cup	10 Minutes
Broccoli	1/4 Cup	5 Minutes
Cabbage	1 Cup	15 Minutes
Carrots	1 Cup	15 Minutes
Cauliflower	1 Cup	15 Minutes
Corn	1 Cup	15 Minutes
Eggplant	1-1/4 Cup	20 Minutes
Green Beans	1 Cup	15 Minutes
Peas	1/2 Cup	10 Minutes
Spinach	1/2 Cup	10 Minutes
Squash	1/2 Cup	10 Minutes
Zucchini	1/2 Cup	10 Minutes

HELPFUL HINTS:

1. Since most vegetables only absorb a small amount of water, there is no need to increase the amount of water with a larger serving of vegetables.
2. Always keep the lid closed during the entire steaming process. Opening the lid causes a loss of heat and steam, resulting in a slower cooking time and may also cause burns. If you find it necessary to open the lid, use caution. You may want to add a small amount of water to help restore the cooking time.
3. Altitude, humidity and outside temperature will affect cooking times.
4. The steaming chart is for reference only. Actual cooking time may vary.

CAUTION:

1. **This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.**
2. **To reduce the risk of electrical shock, cook only in removable container.**

CARE & MAINTENANCE

Always unplug unit and allow to cool completely before cleaning

1. Remove the inner cooking pot. Wash it in warm, soapy water using a sponge or dishcloth.
2. Rinse and dry thoroughly.
3. Repeat process with steam tray, and other provided accessories.
4. Wipe the body of the rice cooker clean with a damp cloth.
 - **Do not use harsh abrasive cleaners or products that are not considered safe to use on non-stick coatings.**
 - **This appliance is NOT dishwasher safe. Inner pot is NOT dishwasher safe.**
 - **Always make sure the outside of the inner pot is dry prior to use. If inner cooking pot is returned when wet, it may damage this product, causing it to malfunction.**
 - **Service should always be performed by an authorized service representative.**

THIS PRODUCT IS FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY!

- A. A short (or detachable) power supply cord is to be provided to reduce risks resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.
- B. Longer (detachable power supply cords or) extension cords are available and may be used if care is exercised in their use.
- C. If a long (detachable power supply cord or) extension cord is used,
 - (1) The marked electrical rating of the (detachable power supply cord or) extension cord should be at least as great as the electrical rating of the appliance,
 - (2) If the appliance is of the grounded type, the extension cord should be a grounding type 3-wire cord, and
 - (3) The longer cord should be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over.