# WEST BEND

## COFFEEMAKER

Model No. 54129 9 Cup Automatic Coffeemaker

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To prevent personal injury or property damage, read and follow the instructions and warnings in this care and use instructional manual.

## Care and Use Instructions

#### IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

Use electricity safely and wisely. Observe safety precautions when using your coffeemaker including the following:

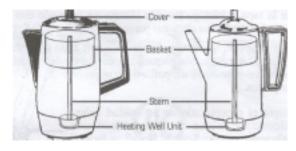
- Read all instructions before using.
- Always attach plug to coffeemaker first, then plug cord into wall outlet. To disconnect remove plug from wall outlet. Let coffeemaker cool before removing cord.
- Do not leave coffeemaker plugged in when not in use.
- Do not let cord touch hot surfaces or hang over the edge of a counter, table or other surface area.
- Coffeemaker should always be unplugged and allowed to cool before cleaning.
- Make sure cover, basket, stem and cord are properly attached before coffeemaker is plugged in. (See instructions.) No part of the coffeemaker should be removed during the brewing cycle. Scalding may occur.
- Your coffeemaker, its cord and plugs should not be immersed in liquids, placed near a hot electric or gas burner, or in a heated oven.
- Coffeemaker should not be used outdoors.
- Do not touch hot coffeemaker. Use handles or knob.
- Supervise closely when coffeemaker is used by or near children.
- Use your coffeemaker only for the uses described in this booklet. Do not use attachments with your coffeemaker unless recommended by The West Bend Company.
- Do not use your coffeemaker if it or its cord are damaged or not working properly. Return it to The West Bend Company for examination and/or repair.

### SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

Your coffeemaker needs no special care other than cleaning.

WARNING: To prevent personal injury or property damage caused by fire, always unplug this and other appliances when not in use.

For household use only.



#### **Electric Cord Statement**

CAUTION: Your coffeemaker has a short cord as a safety precaution to prevent personal injury or property damage resulting from pulling, tripping or becoming entangled with the cord. Do not allow children to be near or use this coffeemaker without adult supervision. If you must use a longer cordset or an extension cord when using this coffeemaker, the cord must be arranged so it will not drape or hang over the edge of a countertop, tabletop or surface area where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over. To prevent electric shock, personal injury or fire, the electrical rating of the extension cord you use must be the same or more than the wattage of the coffeemaker (wattage is stamped on underside of base).

**BEFORE USING THE FIRST TIME:** Before using the coffeemaker for the first time, clean it thoroughly. Refer to General Cleaning Instructions, Steps 1-4 in this leaflet.

CAUTION: To prevent personal injury or property damage caused by fire, always unplug this and other appliances when not in use.

Your coffeemaker is now ready to use.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING COFFEE

- 1. With basket and stem removed, fill coffeemaker with COLD water to desired level, using the cup markings on inside of coffeemaker as guide. Do not make less than (4 or 5 cups) or more than maximum (8 or 9 cups) amount of coffee at one time.
- 2. Place stem into heating unit in bottom of coffeemaker, then put basket on stem. Add electric perk or regular grind coffee ground for all coffeemakers into basket using 1 level tablespoon per cup for mild strength and 1 slightly rounded tablespoon per cup for strong strength. Do not use drip or finely ground coffee as flooding of the basket can occur.

#### SPECIAL NOTE ON GRINDING COFFEE BEANS:

If grinding your own coffee beans, grind to medium coarseness for best results. **DO NOT** grind too fine (powder-like) as this can cause basket to flood.

Be careful not to let ground coffee fall into stem. Spread coffee evenly into basket. The amount of coffee can be adjusted to suit your preference.

- SPECIAL NOTES: The basket does not have a perforated cover as the coffeemaker cover is designed to spread water evenly over the coffee grounds. In addition, the bottom of the basket is designed with a built-in filter, therefore a paper filter is not needed. If you prefer to double filter your coffee, a paper filter can be used, just be sure it fits into the bottom of the basket. The water level markings represent 5-1/2 ounces for each cup of coffee. This amount of water will ensure a standard 5-ounce cup of brewed coffee as some water is absorbed by the grounds and some is lost in steam.
- 3. Secure cover on coffeemaker. Your coffeemaker will feature a lever-secured cover. For the lever-secured cover, position cover into opening of coffeemaker while pressing lever down on top of handle. Release lever to secure cover in place. See Diagram.



To minimize coffee spills, especially if coffeemaker is tipped over, make sure cover is secured onto coffeemaker. Care should still be used when moving coffemaker as cover temporarily reduces spillage if coffeemaker is tipped over.

4. Place coffeemaker on a dry, level surface. Attach cord to coffeemaker and plug into a 120 volt AC electrical outlet ONLY.

**CAUTION:** To prevent personal injury or property damage, inspect cordset for damage or wear before each use. Do not use your product if it or its cord has been damaged or if it is not working properly.

Coffee stops perking automatically when coffee is ready. Allow approximately 1-1/2 minutes brewing time for each cup prepared. Before serving, remove cover and lift out basket and stem assembly using a hot pad. (Depress lever on handle to release cover.) If basket and stem are not removed, bitter oils from the coffee grounds will drip into the coffee. Replace cover, making sure it is secured onto coffeemaker. See step 3.

5. Coffee will remain at serving temperature as long as coffeemaker is connected to outlet. When approximately one cup remains, unplug cord from electric outlet and allow coffeemaker to cool before cleaning.

#### TO MAKE MORE COFFEE:

If another pot of coffee is desired right away, clean all parts and fill coffeemaker with COLD water to reset the thermostat. Pour out water, then refill COLD water to the desired level and repeat the steps above for making coffee.

#### TO REHEAT COFFEE:

Reheated coffee never tastes as good as fresh perked, so try to brew only the amount you plan to serve. If coffee is reheated in coffeemaker, there must be at least 3 cups in coffeemaker. Place stem and empty basket in place and secure cover onto coffeemaker. (Using the stem and coffee basket will heat the coffee faster and more uniformly.) Plug coffeemaker in and allow it to complete the perking cycle. Remove basket and stem assembly. Unplug coffeemaker when 1 cup remains.

#### TO HEAT WATER FOR INSTANT BEVERAGES:

Plain water may be heated in your coffeemaker for use with instant beverages. Simply fill the clean coffeemaker with cold water to the desired cup level. Place clean stem and empty coffee basket in place as for making coffee. (Using stem and empty basket will heat the water more uniformly.) Secure cover in place and plug coffeemaker in. Allow it to complete perking cycle. Remove basket and stem assembly. Unplug coffeemaker when 1 cup remains.

Other than making coffee or heating water, no other liquid should be heated in coffeemaker as damage to heating unit can occur.

When coffeemaker is used to heat water only, the metal inside will discolor which is normal and does not affect performance or the water heated in the coffeemaker. Refer to "Special Cleaning Instructions" in this leaflet for removing discoloration as well as mineral deposits which form inside the coffeemaker when heating water. If these deposits are not removed, pitting of the meal inside may occur and result in damage to coffeemaker. Refer to care and cleaning instructions as follows:

#### GENERAL CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS - After Each Use

Improper cleaning of the coffeemaker, especially the heating unit well, will affect performance of the coffeemaker, resulting in weak, lukewarm coffee and may even cause the coffeemaker to stop perking. To keep your coffeemaker working properly, it is important to follow the cleaning instructions below:

1. Unplug coffeemaker and allow to cool before cleaning.

CAUTION: To prevent personal injury or electrical shock, do not immerse coffeemaker, its cord or plugs in water or other liquid

2. Clean basket, stem and cover in hot soapy water with a dishcloth, rinse and dry. Coffee stains on underside of cover or stem may be removed by scouring with a damp cloth and a non-abrasive

cleanser such as Bon Ami® or Soft Scrub®.

3. Clean inside of coffeemaker by filling with hot water to 5-cup level. Add a small amount of liquid dishwashing detergent and wash with a dishcloth or sponge.

Then clean the heating unit well (where stem fits) with a scouring pad, such as Scotch Brite® or Brillo®, to remove coffee residue. Twist pad inside heating unit well to clean thoroughly. IMPORTANT: If heating unit well is not kept clean, coffeemaker will not perform properly. See diagram.



After cleaning inside of coffeemaker, drain, rinse and dry. Whip outside of coffeemaker with a damp soapy cloth and dry. Do not use abrasive metal scouring pads or cleansers on outside of coffeemaker as scratching will occur.

#### DO NOT WASH COFFEEMAKER PARTS IN AN AUTOMATIC DISHWASHER.

#### SPECIAL CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

#### • To Remove Mineral Deposit

If coffeemaker is used daily, a special cleaning every 2 weeks OR every week if used for heating water, is necessary. Fill coffeemaker to the 5-cup level with white distilled vinegar. Then fill to the maximum cup level with cold water. Place stem and empty coffee basket in place, secure cover and plug coffeemaker in. Allow coffeemaker to complete perking cycle, then let stand for 15 to 20 minutes. Unplug and drain coffeemaker. Allow to cool before cleaning, follow general cleaning instructions in this leaflet.

#### To Remove Discoloration

Inside of coffeemaker can discolor when used for heating water which is normal. To remove/lighten discoloration, fill coffeemaker with cold water to the maximum cup level. Place stem and empty basket in place and add 1 teaspoon cream of tarter to basket. Secure cover onto coffeemaker, plug cord into outlet and allow coffeemaker to complete perk cycle. Then let stand for 15 to 20 minutes or until discoloration is lightened. Unplug cord and drain coffeemaker. Allow to cool and follow general cleaning instructions.

Do not use baking soda to clean coffeemaker as it will discolor inside metal.

#### REPLACEMENT PARTS

Replacement parts for the Coffeemaker may be obtained directly from the company's Customer Service Department. Write or call:

The West Bend Company Attn: Housewares Customer Service P.O. Box 2780 West Bend, WI 53095-2780 (262) 334-6949

Be sure to include the model number of your Coffeemaker, a description of the part you want and the quantity. Along with this information please include your name, mailing address and your Visa, MasterCard or Discover credit card number for the billings of the part(s) to you. Your state's sales tax and a shipping/handling fee will be added to your total charge. Or, to send a check or money order, call (262) 334-6949 during the hours of 8 AM to 4 PM central time to obtain purchase amount. Please allow 2 weeks for delivery.

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## **90 DAY WARRANTY**

Your West Bend® Warranty covers failures in the materials and workmanship of the Coffeemaker for 90 days from the date of original purchase. Any failed part of the Coffeemaker will be repaired or replaced without charge.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. This warranty does not cover alleged damage caused by misuse, abuse, accidents or alterations to the coffeemaker.

If you think the coffeemaker has failed, please carefully package and return the coffeemaker prepaid and insured with a description of the difficulty to:

The West Bend Company Attn: Housewares Customer Service 1100 Schmidt Road West Bend, WI 53090-1961 (262) 334-6949

Please ensure that you enclose the sales slip or proof of date of purchase in order to assure warranty coverage.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please file this booklet for reference to instructions for proper use and care, warranty and service information. For your records,, **attach dated sales receipt** for warranty purposes and complete the following information:

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