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**OVAL 6 LITRE
SLOW COOKER**

Instruction manual

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Please read all of the instructions carefully and retain for future reference.

Safety instructions

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed.

Check that the voltage indicated on the rating plate corresponds with that of the local network before connecting the appliance to the mains power supply.

Children aged from 8 years and people with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge can use this appliance, only if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved.

Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

Unless they are older than 8 and supervised, children should not perform cleaning or user maintenance.

This appliance is not a toy.

This appliance contains no user serviceable parts. If the power supply cord, plug or any part of the appliance is malfunctioning or if it has been dropped or damaged, only a qualified electrician should carry out repairs. Improper repairs may place the user at risk of harm.

Keep the appliance and its power supply cord out of the reach of children.

Keep the appliance out of the reach of children when it is switched on or cooling down.

Keep the appliance and its power supply cord away from heat or sharp edges that could cause damage.

Keep the power supply cord away from any parts of the appliance that may become hot during use.

Keep the appliance away from other heat emitting appliances.

Do not immerse the appliance in water or any other liquid.

Do not operate the appliance with wet hands.

Do not leave the appliance unattended whilst connected to the mains

power supply.

Do not remove the appliance from the mains power supply by pulling the cord; switch it off and remove the plug by hand.

Do not pull or carry the appliance by its power supply cord.

Do not use the appliance for anything other than its intended use.

Do not use any accessories other than those supplied.

Do not use this appliance outdoors.

Do not store the appliance in direct sunlight or in high humidity conditions.

Do not move the appliance whilst it is in use.

Do not touch any sections of the appliance that may become hot or the heating components of the appliance, as this could cause injury.

Always unplug the appliance after use and before any cleaning or user maintenance.

Always ensure that the appliance has cooled fully after use before performing any cleaning or maintenance or storing away.

Always use the appliance on a stable, heat-resistant surface, at a height that is comfortable for the user.

Use of an extension cord with the appliance is not recommended.

This appliance should not be operated by means of an external timer or separate remote control system, other than that supplied with this appliance.

This appliance is intended for domestic use only. It should not be used for commercial purposes.

The lid or the outer surface of the appliance may get hot during operation.

The heating element retains heat after use.



Caution: Hot surface – do not touch the hot section or heating components of the appliance.

Warning: Keep the appliance away from flammable materials.

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Care and Maintenance

Before attempting any cleaning or maintenance, unplug the slow cooker from the mains power supply and allow to cool fully.

STEP 1: Wipe the slow cooker with a soft, damp cloth and dry thoroughly.

STEP 2: Clean the glass lid and removable ceramic pot in warm, soapy water, then rinse and dry thoroughly.

Do not immerse the slow cooker in water or any other liquid. Never use harsh or abrasive cleaning detergents or scourers to clean the slow cooker or its accessories, as this could cause damage.

Note: The slow cooker should be cleaned after each use.

Dos and Don'ts

Do:

Handle the removable ceramic pot and tempered glass lid with care.

Use heat-resistant oven gloves when extracting the removable ceramic pot from the slow cooker.

Check that foods are cooked through before serving.

Don't:

Use the removable ceramic pot if it is chipped or cracked.

Subject the removable ceramic pot to sudden changes in temperature; adding cold water to a very hot removable ceramic pot could cause it to crack.

Put the removable ceramic pot or tempered glass lid into an oven, freezer, microwave or on a gas/electrical hob.

Use the slow cooker to reheat food.

Operate the slow cooker without the removable ceramic pot or tempered glass lid in place.

Use abrasive cleaners or metal scouring pads to clean the removable ceramic pot.

Place food, water or other liquid directly into the base of the slow cooker.

Allow foods to sit for long periods of time at a warm (but not hot)

temperature, as this may cause food to be unsafe to eat.

Description of Parts



1. Oval 6 Litre Slow Cooker
2. Tempered glass lid
3. Removable ceramic pot
4. Cool-touch handles
5. Temperature control dial (Off/Low/High/Warm)
6. Power indicator light

Instructions for Use

Before First Use

STEP 1: Before connecting to the mains power supply, wipe the housing with a soft, damp cloth and dry thoroughly.

STEP 2: Clean the glass lid and removable ceramic pot in warm, soapy water, then rinse and dry thoroughly.

Do not immerse the slow cooker in water or any other liquid. Never use harsh or abrasive cleaning detergents or scourers to clean the slow cooker or its accessories, as this could cause damage.

STEP 3: Place the slow cooker onto a stable, heat-resistant surface, at a height that is comfortable for the user.

Note: When using the slow cooker for the first time, a slight smoke or odour may be emitted. This is normal and will soon subside. Allow for sufficient ventilation around the slow cooker.

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Using the Slow Cooker

STEP 1: Insert the removable ceramic pot into the base of the slow cooker.

STEP 2: Place the prepared ingredients into the removable ceramic pot and then fit the glass lid.

STEP 3: Plug in and switch on the slow cooker at the mains power supply.

STEP 4: Select the required heat setting (low, high or warm) by rotating the temperature control dial in a clockwise direction. The power indicator light will illuminate to signal that the slow cooker is heating up. It is not necessary to stir the ingredients during cooking. Do not repeatedly remove the glass lid, as this will affect the temperature within the removable ceramic pot.

STEP 5: Once cooking is complete, rotate the temperature control dial in an anticlockwise direction to the 'Off' position.

STEP 6: Switch off and unplug the slow cooker from the mains power supply.

Note: The warm setting should only be used to keep foods warm; it should not be used to cook foods.

Cooked food can be served directly from the removable ceramic pot. Do not place the removable ceramic pot onto any surfaces that may be affected by heat.

As a precaution before placing it into the base of the slow cooker, wipe the outer edge of the removable ceramic pot with a dry cloth to reduce the possibility of liquid coming into contact with the base of the slow cooker.

Warning: The glass lid and removable ceramic pot are fragile; handle them with care.

Do not place food directly into the slow cooker without first inserting the removable ceramic pot. The removable ceramic pot and glass lid will get very hot during operation.

Always wear heat-resistant oven gloves when removing the removable ceramic pot from the slow cooker.

Setting and Using the Temperature Control Dial

Low Heat Setting

The low heat setting gently simmers food for an extended period of time, without overcooking or burning. This setting is ideal for vegetable-based dishes and dishes with a low, slow cooking time. In general, foods should be cooked for approx. 8–10 hours on the low heat setting (adjust as necessary).

High Heat Setting

The high heat setting is ideal for cooking dried beans or pulses, large cuts of meat and baking. As food may boil when cooked on the high heat setting, it may be necessary to add extra liquid during the cooking process, depending upon the recipe and the amount of time needed to cook. In general, foods should be cooked for approx. 4–6 hours on the high heat setting (adjust as necessary).

Warm Setting

The warm setting keeps foods at a serving temperature; it should be used after cooking using the low or high settings, in case food is not needed straight away. The warm setting should never be used to cook foods. For food hygiene reasons, do not leave foods on the warm setting for long periods of time or overnight.

Adjusting the Amount of Liquid During Cooking

When cooking food in the slow cooker, very little moisture has chance to boil away. It is advisable to halve the liquid content of traditional recipes to compensate for this. After cooking, foods can be reduced down slightly by removing the glass lid, but using the slow cooker is not an effective way of simmering down liquids. Do not cook foods uncovered for long periods of time.

Hints and Tips

1. The tempered glass lid of the slow cooker should not form a tight fit on the removable ceramic cooking pot and should be placed centrally for the best results.
2. Do not remove the tempered glass lid unnecessarily; this will result in major heat loss to the removable ceramic pot.
3. Do not cook without the tempered glass lid in position. The slow cooker will not heat up properly and food may have to be discarded for hygiene reasons.
4. Cut root vegetables into small, even pieces, as they will usually take longer to cook than meats.
5. Vegetables should be gently sautéed in a frying pan for approx. 2–3 minutes before slow cooking.
6. Always place root vegetables at the bottom of the removable ceramic pot and check that all of the ingredients are immersed in the cooking liquid.
7. When cooking with dried beans and pulses, always check the cooking instructions. Some beans require soaking prior to cooking in order to remove toxic substances.

Storage

Check that the slow cooker is cool, clean and dry before storing in a cool, dry place. Never wrap the cord tightly around the slow cooker; wrap it loosely to avoid causing damage.

Specifications

Product code: EK4199P
Input: 220–240 V ~ 50/60 Hz

Power: 235–280 W



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Recipes

German Lentil Soup

Ingredients

300 g dried brown lentils, rinsed and drained	1 stalk celery, chopped	½ tsp caraway seed
100 g cooked ham, cubed	600 ml chicken stock	Handful chopped fresh parsley
2 medium carrots, chopped	1 tsp Worcestershire sauce	Thickly cut slices of bread, to serve
2 garlic cloves, minced	1 tsp freshly grated nutmeg	
1 medium onion, diced	1 tsp celery salt	
2 bay leaves	1 tsp ground black pepper	

Method

Place the lentils into the removable ceramic pot, then add the chicken stock, bay leaves, carrots, celery, onion and ham. Season with Worcestershire sauce, garlic, nutmeg, caraway seed, celery salt, parsley and pepper.

Cover with the glass lid and cook on the low heat setting for approx. 8–10 hours or on the high heat setting for approx. 4–6 hours.

Remove the bay leaf and serve with thick-cut slices of bread.

Pulled Pork Sandwiches

Ingredients

750 g boneless pork spare ribs	250 g barbecue sauce	Bread rolls, to serve
	750 ml beef stock	

Method

Add the beef stock and boneless spare ribs into the removable ceramic pot.

Cook on the high heat setting for approx. 4 hours or on the low heat setting for approx. 6–8 hours, turning the meat occasionally. The meat should fall apart easily when it is ready.

Take out the meat from the removable ceramic pot and shred using two forks.

Preheat an oven to 180 °C. Transfer the shredded pork to an ovenproof dish and stir in the barbecue sauce.

Bake in the preheated oven for approx. 30 minutes, until heated through.

Pile the meat onto bread rolls and serve.

Simple Vegetarian Chili

Ingredients

4 g chilli powder	½ can garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained	½ onion, chopped
1 can black bean soup	½ can vegetarian baked beans	½ green bell pepper, chopped
1 stalk celery, chopped	½ can chopped tomatoes in purée	1 tsp dried oregano
1 garlic clove, crushed	½ can whole kernel corn, drained	Warm bread or rice, to serve
1 sprig parsley, finely chopped		
½ can kidney beans, rinsed and drained		

Method

Combine all of the ingredients into the removable ceramic pot and stir thoroughly. Cook on the low heat setting for approx. 6–8 hours or on the high heat setting for approx. 3–4 hours, stirring occasionally. Serve with warm bread or on a bed of rice.

Lamb Shoulder in Red Wine Jus

Ingredients

1 kg lamb shoulder joint	1 pinch of dried thyme	Plain flour, to thicken
500 ml lamb stock	1 pinch of dried rosemary	(optional)
1 glass red wine	Vegetables, to serve	

Method

Set the slow cooker to the low heat setting. Place the lamb joint in the removable ceramic pot. Add the lamb stock and red wine into the removable ceramic pot. Season with the thyme and rosemary. Stir the mixture thoroughly and then cover with the glass lid. Cook on the low heat setting for approx. 7–8 hours, stirring and turning the lamb occasionally. The high heat setting can be selected to speed up the cooking time to approx. 4–6 hours. Approx. 20 minutes before serving, remove the lamb from the removable ceramic pot and keep it warm in an oven on a low heat setting (100 °C or less). Add 1 tsp of flour to the remaining ingredients in the removable ceramic pot to thicken, if necessary. Stir well and continue to cook with the glass lid removed. Set the slow cooker to the high heat setting to thicken the gravy. If the gravy doesn't thicken, slowly add more flour until the desired consistency is reached. Carve the meat or pull it apart and serve with vegetables.

Beef and Ale Stew

Ingredients

500 g beef shin/beef skirt, diced	1 parsnip, peeled and sliced into chunky strips	500 ml bottle of real ale
100 g green beans, sliced	1 turnip, peeled	Plain flour
3 medium sized carrots, peeled and sliced into 2 cm chunks	and quartered	Vegetable oil
2 large potatoes, peeled and quartered	1 sprig of rosemary, finely chopped	Salt and pepper, to taste
1 large onion, thickly sliced	1 sprig of thyme, finely chopped	Warm bread, to serve
	750 ml beef stock	

Method

Combine all of the ingredients into the removable ceramic pot and stir thoroughly. Cook on the low heat setting for approx. 6–8 hours or on the high heat setting for approx. 3–4 hours, stirring occasionally. Serve with warm bread or on a bed of rice.

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Connection to the Mains

Please check that the voltage indicated on the product corresponds with your supply voltage.

Important

As the colours in the mains lead of this appliance may not correspond with the coloured markings identifying the terminals in your plug, please proceed as follows:

The wires in the mains lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

Blue Neutral (N)

Brown Live (L)

Green/Yellow Earth (\perp)

FOR UK USE ONLY – Plug fitting details (where applicable).

The wire coloured **BLUE** is the **NEUTRAL** and must be connected to the terminal marked N or coloured **BLACK**.

The wire coloured **BROWN** is the **LIVE** wire and must be connected to the terminal marked L or coloured **RED**.

The wire coloured **GREEN/YELLOW** must be connected to the terminal marked with the letter E or marked \perp .

On no account must either the **BROWN** or the **BLUE** wire be connected to the **EARTH** terminal (\perp).

Always ensure that the cord grip is fastened correctly.

The plug must be fitted with a fuse of the same rating already fitted and conforming to BS 1362 and be ASTA approved.

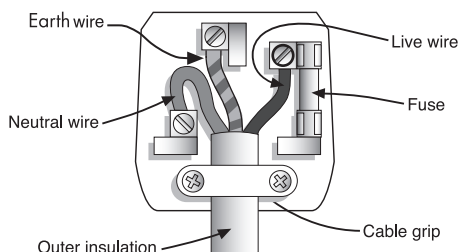
If in doubt, consult a qualified electrician who will be pleased to do this for you.

Non-Rewireable Mains Plug

If your appliance is supplied with a non-rewireable plug fitted to the mains lead and should the fuse need replacing, you must use one that is ASTA approved (conforming to BS 1362 of the same rating).

If in doubt, consult a qualified electrician who will be pleased to do this for you.

If you need to remove the plug, **DISCONNECT IT FROM THE MAINS**, then cut it off the mains lead and immediately dispose of it safely. Never attempt to reuse the plug or insert it into a socket outlet as there is a danger of an electric shock.



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