

NINJA®

SEARious™ Slow Cooker

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OWNER'S GUIDE



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IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

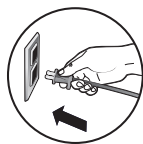
For Household Use Only

WHEN USING ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES, BASIC SAFETY PRECAUTIONS SHOULD ALWAYS BE FOLLOWED, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING YOUR *NINJA® SEARious™ SLOW COOKER*.

POLARIZED PLUG

WARNING: To reduce the risk of electric shock, this appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). This plug will fit into a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper outlet. **DO NOT modify the plug in any way.**



WARNING:

TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK OR INJURY:

- 1 To protect against electrical shock, do not submerge the unit or allow the power cord to come into contact with water or any other liquid. If the unit falls into liquid, unplug the power cord from the electrical outlet immediately. **DO NOT reach into the liquid.**
- 2 Please note that the appliance may become hot during use. **DO NOT** touch hot surfaces; always use the handles. Always use oven mitts or pot holders when removing the pot.
- 3 **DO NOT** allow young children to operate the appliance or use as a toy. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
- 4 Remove the power cord from the electrical outlet when not in use, before assembling or disassembling parts and before cleaning. To unplug, grasp the plug and pull from the electrical outlet. Never pull from the power cord. Allow the appliance to cool before adding or removing parts.
- 5 **DO NOT** abuse the power cord. Never carry the appliance by the power cord or yank it to disconnect from electrical outlet; instead grasp the plug and pull to disconnect.
- 6 **DO NOT** operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions, has been dropped or damaged in any manner. Return the appliance to EURO-PRO Operating LLC for examination, repair or adjustment.
- 7 Please refer to the Cleaning & Maintenance section for regular maintenance of the appliance. Return the appliance to EURO-PRO Operating LLC for any other servicing.
- 8 **DO NOT** let the power cord touch hot surfaces such as the stove.
- 9 Always use the appliance on a dry, level surface.

- 10 **Extreme caution must be used when moving an appliance containing hot oil or other hot liquids. Always use oven mitts or pot holders when moving the cooking system. Allow hot oil to cool prior to removal or cleaning the appliance.**
 - 11 To avoid possible steam damage, place the cooking system away from walls and cabinets during use.
 - 12 When using this appliance, provide adequate air space above and on all sides for air circulation. On surfaces where heat may cause a problem, use of an insulated heat pad or trivet is recommended.
 - 13 Use extreme caution when removing the lid after cooking. Serious burns can result from the steam inside. Always lift and tilt the lid away from you when removing, using care to ensure that water does not drip back into the appliance.
 - 14 **DO NOT** use outdoors or anywhere the cord or unit housing might come into contact with water while in use.
 - 15 **DO NOT** use the appliance for anything other than its intended use.
 - 16 **DO NOT** obstruct the steam release vent during use.
 - 17 Always position the steam vent hole in the back of the unit away from you.
 - 18 **DO NOT** place or operate this appliance on or near any hot surfaces (such as gas or electric burner, stove or in a heated oven).
 - 19 The use of attachments or accessories not recommended by the manufacturer may result in fire, electric shock or personal injury.
 - 20 **DO NOT** use this appliance for deep frying.
 - 21 **CAUTION: TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ELECTRIC SHOCK, COOK ONLY IN THE POT PROVIDED OR IN CONTAINERS RECOMMENDED BY EURO-PRO PLACED ON THE COOKING RACK IN THE PROVIDED POT. DO NOT USE THE APPLIANCE WITHOUT THE REMOVABLE COOKING POT INSIDE.**
 - 22 To disconnect, turn the Function Dial to "Off", then remove the plug from the wall outlet.
 - 23 This appliance has a cut off switch which will not allow the appliance to heat if the cooking pot is not inserted into the housing or removed while cooking.
 - 24 **THIS PRODUCT IS INTENDED FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY.** Do not use this appliance for anything other than its intended use. Do not use outdoors.
 - 25 To avoid the possibility of the cooking system accidentally being pulled off the counter top or tabletop, which could result in damage to the cooking system or personal injury, do not let the power cord hang over the edge of the counter or table.
 - 26 Leaving food out too long at room temperature can cause bacteria to grow to dangerous levels that can cause illnesses. In the event of a loss of power, an error message will display on the unit. It is recommended to dispose of any food that has been at room temperature for more than an hour.
- NOTE:** This unit has a short power supply cord to reduce the risk resulting in becoming entangled in or tripping over a long cord. A longer extension cord may be used if you are careful in its use.
1. If using a longer extension cord, the electrical rating of the extension cord should be rated at least 15 amperes. Extension cords rated for less amperage may overheat.
 2. A longer extension cord must be arranged so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over accidentally.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

THIS BOOK COVERS MODEL NUMBERS:

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Voltage: 120V., 60Hz.

Power: 850 Watts

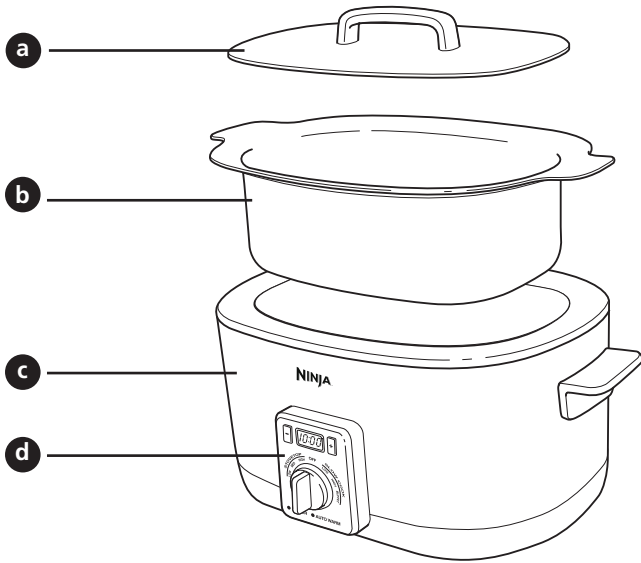


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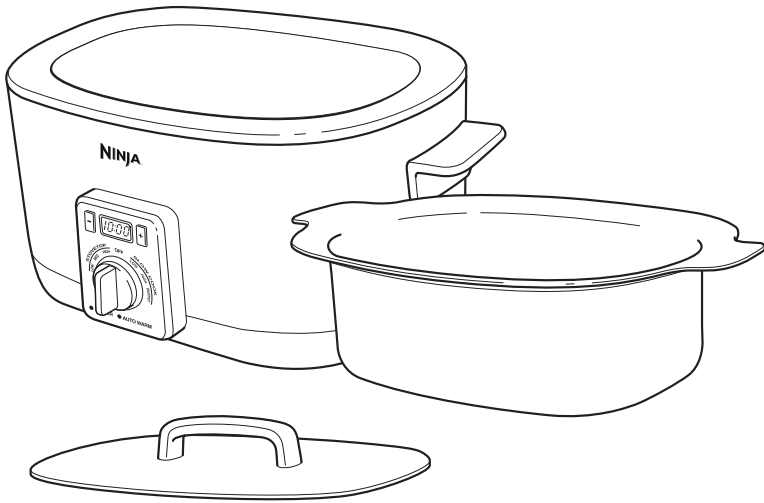
Getting To Know Your *Ninja*® *SEARious*™ Slow Cooker



- a** Roasting Lid with Handle
- b** Cooking Pot
- c** Main Housing

- d** Control Panel
- e** Power Cord (not shown)

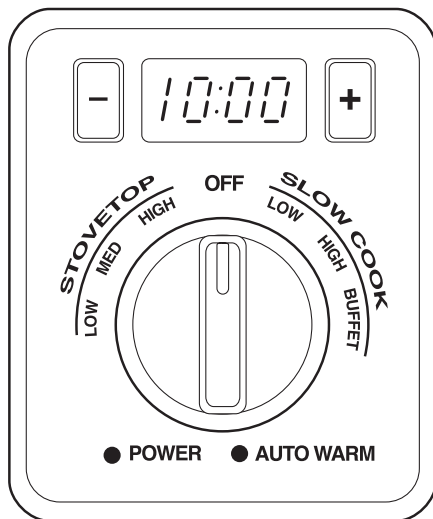
The **Ninja® SEARious™** Slow Cooker offers a revolutionary new way to cook your foods faster, healthier and easier. The easy 1-2-3 electronic controls allow you the flexibility for true one pot cooking.



FEATURES:

- **Stovetop Settings:** Low (simmer), Med (sauté), High (sear)
- **Slow Cooker Settings:** High, Low
- **Buffet Setting**
- **Auto Warm for Slow Cook function only**

Getting to Know the *Ninja*® *SEARious*™ Slow Cooker Control Panel



Function Dial

Turn the dial to select Stovetop or Slow Cook mode.

Stovetop - Use the *Ninja*® *SEARious*™ Slow Cooker as you would a stovetop. You can simmer, sauté, or sear.

Slow Cook - Use the *Ninja*® *SEARious*™ Slow Cooker as a slow cooker. Select the temperature - low or high and let the cooking system do all the work. When it has finished cooking, it will automatically switch to Auto Warm.

Buffet - Use the Buffet mode after cooking is completed to keep food warm from 30 minutes up to 12 hours.

LED Display Screen

The LED screen displays the timer settings for the Slow Cook and Buffet modes.

Adjustment Buttons

Use the Adjustment Buttons ("+" or "-") to set the count down timer in Slow Cook mode.

Auto Warm

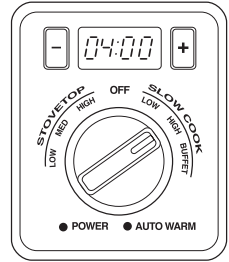
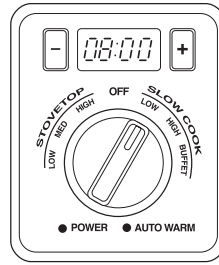
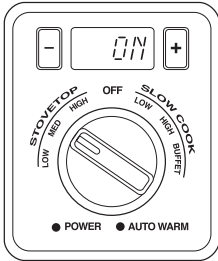
The *Ninja*® *SEARious*™ Slow Cooker will go into auto warm when the set cooking time in Slow Cook mode is over.

Preparing to Use the *Ninja*® *SEARious*™ Slow Cooker

Before using the slow cooker for the first time:

- 1 Carefully remove all the parts from the box. Wash the cooking pot and the lid with warm, soapy water. The cooking pot may also be washed in the dishwasher. The lid is not dishwasher safe. Do not place the main housing in water or in the dishwasher. Wipe it clean with a damp cloth.
- 2 When ready to use, place the cooking pot inside the main housing. **Never** use the slow cooker without the cooking pot inserted into the housing.
- 3 Plug the unit into the wall outlet.
- 4 The slow cooker will not turn "On" as long as the Function Dial is in the "Off" position.
- 5 When ready to start the appliance, turn the Function Dial to the function that you want. The red Power light will light up indicating that the appliance is on.
- 6 Follow instructions on the following pages on how to use the different functions.

Using the Different Functions



Stovetop:

- 1 Place the cooking pot inside the housing.
- 2 Place the food that you wish to cook inside the pot in an even layer for best results.
- 3 Set the Function Dial to the desired Stovetop mode to get the appliance heated. The LED Display will show "On" and the Power light will turn on.
- 4 When you have finished using the unit, turn the Function Dial to "Off" and then unplug the unit and allow it to cool completely before handling.

NOTE: The appliance will not function if the cooking pot is not inside the main housing.

TIP: When you want to sear meats, set the Stovetop to "High".

To sauté vegetables, set the Stovetop to "Med" or "High".

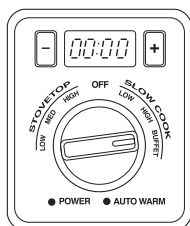
Slow Cook:

The 6 qt. capacity makes this an ideal slow cooker for the entire family. The Low and High settings automatically switch to Auto Warm after the cooking is complete to keep the food warm. Use the Stovetop function on "High" to sear meats and vegetables before slow cooking to enhance flavors and create gourmet meals.

Do not exceed the top of the cooking pot when filling with food. This could result in the food boiling over.

- 1 Place the ingredients into the cooking pot and place the lid on top.
- 2 Plug the unit into the electrical outlet.
- 3 Turn the Function Dial to either Low or High under Slow Cook depending on the recipe instructions. The LED Display will show "8:00" or "4:00" depending on the slow cook setting that is selected and the Power Light will turn on.
- 4 The Display Screen will show "8:00" hours for Low setting and "4:00" hours for High setting. Turn the Adjustment Dial to set the desired time. The time will increase or decrease in 30 minute increments for up to 12 hours. The timer will begin counting down after 3 seconds. Do not lift the lid continuously while cooking.
- 5 After the cooking process is done, the unit will switch to Auto Warm for up to 12 hours.
- 6 When you have finished using the unit, turn the Function Dial to "Off" and then unplug the unit and allow it to cool completely before handling.

Using the Different Functions - cont.



Buffet

Use the Ninja® SEARious™ Slow Cooker Buffet mode to keep food warm from 30 minutes up to 12 hours. This can be used for food already cooked in the Slow Cooker or for food already prepared that you want kept warm.

- 1 Place the cooked food inside the cooking pot and cover with the lid.
- 2 Plug the unit into the electrical outlet.
- 3 Turn the Function Dial to Buffet.
- 4 Time is pre-set to "6:00" hours. Turn the Adjustment Dial to set the desired time that you want the food kept warm.
- 5 When you have finished using the unit, turn the Function Dial to "Off" and unplug the unit. Allow it to cool completely before handling.

Hints & Tips

- 1 Cooking times may vary based on the selected temperature, the current temperature of the cooking pot and the temperature of the ingredients.
- 2 Always use nonstick utensils in the cooking pot. Metal utensils may damage the non-stick coating.
- 3 For even browning, make sure that the food is in an even layer on the bottom of the cooking pot.
- 4 Cooking time and temperature can be adjusted at any time during the cooking cycle in Slow Cook. Press the Adjustment Buttons "+" or "-" to adjust.
- 5 Multiple modes may be required to cook recipes. To change modes during cooking cycles, simply turn the Function Dial to select the new desired mode. Once the new mode is selected, begin the programming process.
- 6 If the cooking pot is removed during the cooking cycle and then placed back into the unit, the cooking process will continue as though it was not interrupted.

Troubleshooting Guide

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE SOLUTION
“Err” Appears on the Display Screen	<p>This occurs when power to the unit is interrupted or if the unit is plugged in and the function dial is not in the “OFF” position.</p> <p>Turn the function dial to “OFF” and then turn dial to desired cooking mode.</p> <p>If the unit displays “Err” for a prolonged period of time due to power failure, dispose of the food for health and safety reasons.</p> <p>Call Customer Service at 1-877-646-5288.</p>
“E01” Appears on the Display Screen	<p>Cooking pot is not inside the cooking system housing. Insert the cooking pot.</p>
“E02” or “E03” Appears On The LCD Display	<p>Ninja® SEARious™ Slow Cooker is not functioning.</p> <p>Please contact customer service at 1-877-646-5288.</p>

Cleaning & Maintenance

The **Ninja**® SEARious™ Slow Cooker should be cleaned thoroughly after every use.

- 1 Unplug the unit from the wall outlet.
- 2 Never immerse the main housing in water or any other liquid.
- 3 To clean the main housing and the control panel, wipe it clean with a damp cloth.
- 4 The lid is not dishwasher safe. Wash the cooking pot and lid with warm, soapy water. The cooking pot can be washed in the dishwasher.
- 5 Dry all parts after each use.
- 6 If food residue is stuck onto the cooking pot, fill the pot with water and allow to soak before cleaning. **DO NOT** use scouring pads. If scouring is necessary, use a non-abrasive cleanser or liquid detergent with a nylon pad or brush.
- 7 Please return the unit to EURO-PRO Operating LLC for any other servicing.

NOTE: After usage, the exterior of the cooking pot may produce a black film when cleaned. This is due to oxidation and occurs from normal usage.

EURO-PRO

ONE (1) YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

EURO-PRO Operating LLC warrants this product to be free from material defects and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase when utilized for normal household use, subject to the following conditions, exclusions and exceptions.

The liability of **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** is limited solely to the cost of the repair or replacement of the unit at our option. This Limited Warranty does not cover normal wear of parts and does not apply to any unit that has been tampered with or used for commercial purposes. This Limited Warranty does not cover damage caused by misuse, abuse, negligent handling or damage due to faulty packaging or mishandling in transit. This Limited Warranty does not cover damage or defects caused by or resulting from damages from shipping or repairs, service or alteration to the product or any of its parts, which have been performed by a repair person not authorized by **EURO-PRO Operating LLC**.

If your appliance fails to operate properly while in use under normal household conditions within the Limited Warranty period, you may return the complete appliance and accessories with proof of purchase and date, freight prepaid. For Customer Service support, call 1-877-646-5288 or visit our website www.ninjakitchen.com.

If the appliance is found by **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** to be defective, in **EURO-PRO Operating LLC's** sole discretion, we will repair or replace it free of charge. Proof of purchase date and a check made payable to **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** in the amount of \$19.95 to cover the cost of return shipping and handling must be included.*

This Limited Warranty is extended to the original purchaser of the unit and excludes all other legal, implied and/or conventional warranties. The responsibility of **EURO-PRO Operating LLC** if any, is limited to the specific obligations expressly assumed by it under the terms of this Limited Warranty. **In no event is EURO-PRO Operating LLC** liable for incidental or consequential damages to anyone of any nature whatsoever. Some states do not permit the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above may not apply to you.

This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state or from province to province.

***IMPORTANT: Carefully pack item to avoid damage in shipping. Be sure to include proof of purchase date and to attach tag to item before packing with your name, complete address and phone number with a note giving purchase information, model number and what you believe is the problem with the item. We recommend you insure the package (as damage in shipping is not covered by your Limited Warranty). Mark the outside of your package "ATTENTION CUSTOMER SERVICE". We are constantly striving to improve our products, therefore the specifications contained herein are subject to change without notice.**

Product Registration

Please visit www.ninjakitchen.com or call **1-877-646-5288** to register your new Ninja® product within ten (10) days of purchase. You will be asked to provide the store name, date of purchase and model number along with your name and address.

The registration will enable us to contact you in the unlikely event of a product safety notification. By registering you acknowledge to have read and understood the instructions for use, and warnings set forth in the accompanying instructions.

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