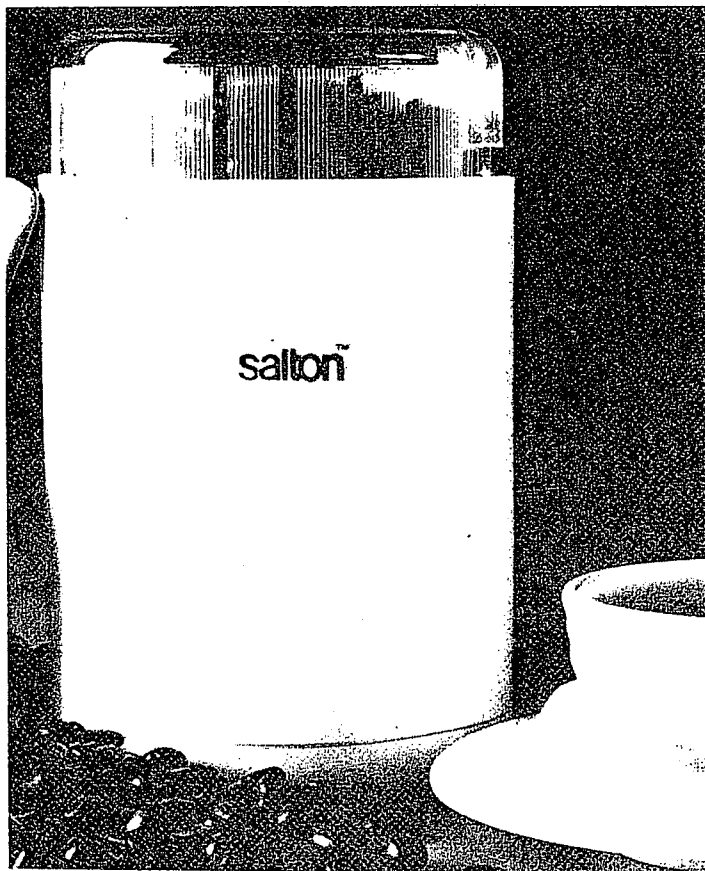


# OWNER'S MANUAL

Model No. GC-5

## Mini Grinder



Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder is designed to fit perfectly in your hand or rest on your counter-top. The specially designed grinding chamber insures that your coffee is ground evenly from whole beans to a fine ground in a matter of seconds, an essential ingredient for an aromatic cup of coffee.

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# **IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS**

When using your Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder or any electrical appliance, these basic safety precautions should always be followed:

1. Read all instructions.
2. DO NOT IMMERSE GRINDER IN WATER OR OTHER LIQUID.
3. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
4. Unplug from outlet when not in use...when removing or putting on parts...before cleaning.
5. Avoid contacting moving parts.
6. DO NOT operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance has been dropped or damaged in any manner...return appliance to Salton/MAXIM Housewares INC. for examination.
7. The use of accessories or attachments not recommended by Salton/MAXIM Housewares INC. may cause hazards.
8. DO NOT use outdoors.
9. DO NOT let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
10. Before using, make sure no foreign objects are in the container.
11. DO NOT PLACE IN DISHWASHER.

## **SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS**

Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder will grind a variety of ingredients from coffee to peppercorns. It is easy to operate and clean yet small enough to store easily. The high speed, cutting blade and especially designed stainless steel bowl assure uniform grinding.

## **COFFEE BEANS**

Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder will hold 1/3 cup coffee beans at a time for grinding...this will give you approximately 8 level tablespoons of ground coffee...consult your coffee maker instructions for your particular coffee machine and then adjust to your own taste...Press the cover down for approximately 15-20 seconds for fine grind...less for a coarser grind. Experimenting with the length of grind will enable you to get exactly the grind you prefer for your coffee. A fine grind exposes more surface to the water and therefore a more rapid rate of extraction of flavor...a coarser grind which exposes little surface is appropriate for the longer brewing cycle of percolators...check your coffee maker instructions for the type of grind that is best.

For the freshest, most flavorful cup of coffee, grind only enough coffee for the pot you are making...if you are making a large pot, you may need to grind in two batches. Coffee beans will keep up to 2 months in the freezer (in an airtight container) and can be ground while still frozen. Fresh beans will yield the best flavor and aroma.

## **GRINDING OTHER THINGS**

Once you find out all the other things you can grind in the Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder, you may want to purchase a second...one for coffee only...the second for grinding other things.

## **SPICES**

Herbs and spices take on a fresh, more flavorful taste when freshly ground. Dried herbs can be combined and ground for a few seconds giving them more flavor. Peppercorns when freshly ground, taste totally different from canned pre-ground pepper. Spices such as allspice...cardamon...celery seed...mustard seed...coriander seed...grind very well.

## **NUTS**

The Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder has a 1/3 cup capacity and will in five seconds produce finely ground nuts great for adding to recipes...for coarser nuts, use short bursts of grinding.

## **NOT RECOMMENDED**

The Mini Grinder will grind most dry or brittle substances. It WILL NOT grind anything which is moist, gummy or extremely hard (Chocolate...whole nutmeg...candied ginger...etc.). It will not make pastes of any kind from seeds such as sunflower or sesame.

Grinding cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg is not advised as the oils and hardness can cause the plastic cover to pelt, discolor or crack...grains such as corn, wheat, rice, barley and rye may also cause damage to the cover. Chopping, mincing or pureeing of soft foods is not recommended.

## **MAINTENANCE AND CLEANING**

DO NOT IMMERSE THE MOTOR BASE IN WATER...DO NOT PLACE THE GRINDER IN THE DISHWASHER.

To clean, unplug the unit...simply wipe the blades...stainless steel bowl...exterior with a damp cloth or paper towel to remove any excess ground coffee or ground foods.

Use a small dry brush to help dislodge dry particles of food.

The cover should be washed in warm soapy water, rinsed and completely dried.

Make sure to clean completely after each use to prevent flavors from one food being transferred to the next. Make sure you check under the blades as food can collect there. A quick trick...to make sure the bowl is clean and no food remains under the blade...with the cover in place and the bowl empty, turn the grinder on...this will dislodge any stubborn food particles.

For stubborn odors...fill the stainless steel bowl with dry baking soda...place the cover on it and leave overnight.

# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Before using your Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder for the first time...wipe the stainless steel bowl...blades...and cover with a damp cloth...make sure it is completely dry.

1. Remove cover, make sure the grinder is empty and clean.
2. Place coffee or other foods (not to exceed 1/3 cup...approximately 1 oz. weighed at a time) into the stainless steel bowl.
3. Place the cover on the grinder.
4. Plug in the grinder.
5. Hold the grinder with one hand and making sure the cover is securely in place, press down on the cover with the other hand...**DO NOT OPERATE WITHOUT THE COVER IN PLACE**...if you should release the pressure from the top of the grinder it will automatically stop.
6. When you have reached the desired grind, release the cover...**DO NOT REMOVE THE COVER UNTIL THE BLADES COME TO A COMPLETE STOP**...you may wish to grind a little, then check to see if it is the way you want, then grind more if necessary...if additional grinding is necessary, just repeat the above steps...up to 60 seconds at a time...the grinder should not be run for longer than one minute at a time.
7. When the blades have stopped...unplug the grinder...remove the cover and the ground food.
8. Clean according to directions.
9. The Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder was especially designed for **HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY**.

## LIMITED WARRANTY

Machines distributed by Salton/MAXIM Housewares Group are warranted for one year from date of purchase against defects in workmanship and material. During that period these defects will be repaired or the product will be replaced at Salton/MAXIM's option, without charge. This warranty covers normal consumer usage and does not cover damage which occurs in shipment or failure which results from alteration, accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, installation, commercial use or improper maintenance. This warranty is effective only if the product is purchased and operated in the USA, and does not extend to any units which have been used in violation of written instructions furnished by Salton/MAXIM Housewares INC. or to units which have been altered or modified without authorization of Salton/MAXIM Housewares INC. or to damage to products or parts thereof which have had the serial number removed, altered, defaced or rendered illegible.

## Service and Repair

DO NOT attempt to repair your Salton GC-5 Mini Grinder. Should the appliance malfunction, you should first call toll free 1-800-233-9054 between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm Central Standard Time and ask for CONSUMER CUSTOMER SERVICE stating that you are a consumer with a problem. If the problem cannot be resolved, you will be asked to return the machine to the factory for repair. Under no circumstances should you attempt to open the housing and repair the machine. Should you do this, your warranty will be voided.

## To Return for Service

1. Securely package and return the product, PREPAID to: Salton/MAXIM Housewares INC. Repair Department, 550 Business Center Drive, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056
  2. Be sure to enclose:
    - a. Your name, address and phone number.
    - b. The date of purchase (or receipt as a gift).
    - c. An explanation of the malfunction or reason for return.
    - d. Six dollars (\$6.00) Check or Money Order payable to Salton/MAXIM Housewares INC. for return postage and handling.
    - e. To insure prompt "In-Warranty" service, be sure to include proof of date of purchase.
- We recommend you take the necessary precaution of insuring the parcel.
3. **Toll Free** Number: 1-800-233-9054.



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