

PRESTO[®]
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EverSharp[™]

electric knife sharpener


- Two-stage sharpening system for professional results at home.
- The fast, easy way to sharpen kitchen and sports knives.
- Precision blade guides automatically hold knife at the ideal sharpening angle.



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INSTRUCTIONS

This is a  Listed appliance. The following important safeguards are recommended by most portable appliance manufacturers.

IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

To reduce the risk of personal injury or property damage when using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

1. Read all instructions before using the knife sharpener.
2. To protect against the risk of electrical shock, do not put knife sharpener in water or other liquids.
3. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used by or near children.
4. Unplug from outlet when not in use, before putting on or taking off parts, and before cleaning.
5. Avoid contacting moving parts.
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, or in the event the appliance malfunctions, or is dropped or damaged in any manner. Return the appliance to the Presto Factory Service Department or to a Presto Authorized Service Station for examination, repair, or electrical or mechanical adjustment.
7. The use of attachments not recommended or sold by the appliance manufacturer may cause fire, electric shock, or injury.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter or touch hot surfaces.
10. Do not use the knife sharpener for other than intended use.

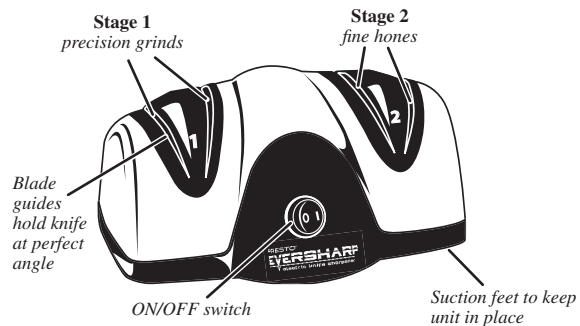
SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

This product is for household use only.

Your Presto® EverSharp™ electric knife sharpener will sharpen knives of alloy, carbon, or stainless steel. It is designed to sharpen kitchen knives and most sporting knives. Do not attempt to sharpen scissors, serrated electric knives, or any blade that does not fit freely in the blade guides.

How To Use

1. For best results, moisten the bottom of the suction feet on the knife sharpener and place the unit on a stable surface. Connect cord to a polarized outlet only. As a safety feature, this appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). This plug will only fit in a polarized outlet one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician. Do not attempt to defeat this safety feature. Turn the unit ON by pressing the vertical bar on the ON/OFF switch.
2. You will notice there is a number at the base of each set of slots as illustrated above. The side with the 1 is Stage 1 and the side with the 2 is Stage 2. Each stage has two slots, one to sharpen each side of the knife. When using the knife sharpener on your knives for the first time, begin with Stage 1 - Precision Grinding.



3. **STAGE 1 - PRECISION GRINDING** — begins sharpening and creates a precision angled edge. Slowly draw the knife towards you through both blade guide slots in Stage 1 (Fig. 1) three times, alternating passes between the two slots. The knife's cutting edge should be kept parallel with the table or counter top (Fig. 1), except when sharpening the tip of the blade. To sharpen the tip, lift up on the knife handle slightly as the curved portion of the blade is drawn through the blade guides.

When drawing the knife through the blade guides, allow approximately one second for each two inches of blade. For example, if sharpening a knife with a 6-inch blade, you should take approximately three seconds for each pass.

4. **STAGE 2 - FINE HONING** — completes the knife sharpening process by honing and polishing the knife to an exact razor sharp edge.

Slowly draw the knife through both blade guide slots in Stage 2 (Fig. 1) three times, alternating passes between the two slots. Each pass should take approximately three or more seconds, again depending on the knife blade's length.

Complete the honing process with one quick pass (approximately one second) through both slots of Stage 2.

5. Before using the knife to slice food, always wipe the knife blade with a damp cloth.
6. If knife does not slice food with ease, repeat Stages 1 and 2.

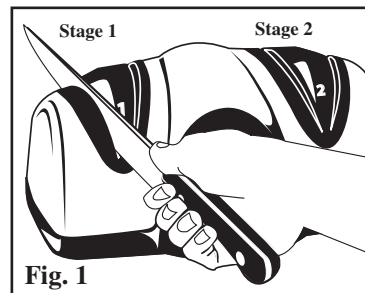


Fig. 1

CAUTION:

Do not run fingers along edge of knife to check sharpness. To avoid injury, handle knives with extreme care.

Never insert the tip of the knife into the blade guide first and push through. This could damage the knife sharpener and your knife.

Before using the knife to slice food, always wipe the knife blade with a damp cloth to remove any metal filings that may remain from the sharpening process.

Questions And Answers

How often should I sharpen my knives?

Hone the knife prior to each use if you want to maintain a razor sharp edge. After extensive use, if you have honed the knife and it no longer slices food with ease, run the knife through both Stage 1 and Stage 2.

How can I tell if my knife is sharp?

Use it to slice food. If the knife does not slice the food with ease, it needs additional sharpening. Repeat Stages 1 and 2.

My knife is not sharp and I've gone through the whole knife sharpening procedure twice. What am I doing wrong?

Although unusual, there are times when you will have to repeat Stages 1 and 2 more than once. This may occur during the first sharpening of a knife that has been improperly sharpened by another process previously. It may also occur when sharpening knives of tempered steel which have extremely hard blades, such as some hunting knives.

To sharpen these types of knives with the Presto® EverSharp™ knife sharpener, simply continue to repeat Stages 1 and 2 until the knife cuts food easily. Depending on the condition of the knife blade, you may have to repeat the process several times. (In extreme cases, this could be 10 times or more.) This extended process will only be necessary the first time you use the knife sharpener for this type of knife. Thereafter, you will be able to sharpen your knife following the normal sharpening procedure.

Sometimes the sharpening wheels stall when I am drawing the knife through the blade guides. What causes this?

The knife sharpener is designed so that very little effort is needed to draw the knife through the blade guides. If downward pressure is applied to the knife as it is being drawn through the blade guides, the sharpening wheels will stall.

How do I get an even edge on my knife?

To get an even edge, be sure to hold the knife blade parallel with the table or counter top while sharpening. When sharpening the tip of the blade, lift up on the knife handle slightly as the curved portion of the blade is drawn through the blade guides.

Occasionally I see sparks when sharpening my knives. What causes this?

Knives with high carbon content (usually higher quality knives) sometimes will spark when they come in contact with the sharpening wheels. This is normal.

Can I sharpen serrated knives with my Presto® electric knife sharpener?

Yes, with the exception of electric serrated knives or knives serrated on both sides. To sharpen non-electric serrated knives, use only the slots in Stage 2 and only sharpen the smooth side of the knife blade (the side without the grooves). Draw the knife through the slots using very little pressure. **Note:** Each time the knife is sharpened, a portion of the serration is being removed. Over a long period of time, the serration on the knife may be completely removed and you may have a knife blade similar to a utility knife.

Care and Cleaning

The outside surface of the knife sharpener may be cleaned with a damp cloth. Do not use abrasives. **Never immerse the knife sharpener in water or any other liquid.** Do not use any type of lubrication with the EverSharp™ knife sharpener.

Your knife sharpener has two special receptacles on the bottom of the unit for collecting metal filings from your knives. Occasionally empty the receptacles by removing the red plastic plugs on the bottom of the unit and shake out the metal filings that have collected inside. This should be done about once a year under normal usage. Any maintenance, other than the items listed here, should be performed by the Presto Factory Service Department or a Presto Authorized Service Station.

Consumer Service Information

If you have any questions regarding the operation of your Presto® appliance or need parts for your appliance, **call our Consumer Service Department** weekdays 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM (Central Time) at **1-800-877-0441** or write:

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Consumer Service Department, 3925 North Hastings Way, Eau Claire, WI 54703-3703

You may also email inquiries to contact@GoPresto.com. Inquiries will be answered promptly by telephone, letter, or email. When writing, please include a phone number and a time when you can be reached during weekdays if possible.

Any maintenance required for this product other than normal household care and cleaning should be performed by our Factory Service Department or any Presto Authorized Service Station. Be sure to indicate date of purchase and a description of defect when sending an appliance for repair. **Send appliances for repair to:**

CANTON SALES AND STORAGE COMPANY

Presto Factory Service Department, 555 Matthews Drive, Canton, MS 39046-0529

Appliances may also be repaired at any Presto Authorized Service Station. Check your yellow pages for Service Stations near you. The Presto Factory Service Department and Presto Authorized Service Stations are equipped to service all PRESTO® appliances and supply genuine PRESTO® parts. Genuine PRESTO® replacement parts are manufactured to the same exacting quality standards as PRESTO® appliances and are engineered specifically to function properly with its appliances. Presto can only guarantee the quality and performance of genuine PRESTO® parts. Look alikes might not be of the same quality or function in the same manner. To ensure that you are buying genuine PRESTO® replacement parts, look for the PRESTO® trademark.

PRESTO® Limited Warranty

This quality PRESTO® appliance is designed and built to provide many years of satisfactory performance under normal household use. Presto pledges to the original owner that should there be any defects in material or workmanship during the first year after purchase, we will repair or replace it at our option. Our pledge does not apply to damage caused by shipping. To obtain service under the warranty, return this PRESTO® appliance, shipping prepaid, to the nearest Presto Authorized Service Station, or to the Factory Service Department. When returning a product, please include a description of the defect and indicate the date the appliance was purchased.

We want you to obtain maximum enjoyment from using this PRESTO® appliance and ask that you read and follow the instructions enclosed. Failure to follow instructions, damage caused by improper replacement parts, abuse or misuse will void this pledge. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. This is Presto's personal pledge to you and is being made in place of all other express warranties.

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