

# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS FOR

*Mrs. Tea*

Model HTM1



*Sunbeam*

FOR HOUSEHOLD USE ONLY  
FOR QUESTIONS OR SERVICE, CALL

**I-800-MR. COFFEE**

1-800-672-6333 (U.S.A. & Canada)

Monday through Friday,  
8:30 am to 5:00 pm Eastern Standard Time

# IMPORTANT SAFEGUARDS

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/of injury to persons, including the following:

1. Read all Instructions before using the machine.
2. Do not touch hot surfaces. Use handles or knobs.
3. To protect against electric shock, do not immerse cord, plugs, or machine in water or other liquid.
4. Close adult supervision is necessary when this appliance is used by or near children.
5. Turn control switch to OFF and unplug from outlet when the automatic hot tea maker is not in use and before cleaning. Allow to cool before pulling on or taking off parts, and before cleaning the appliance
6. Do not operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug or after the appliance malfunctions, or has been damaged in any manner. Return this appliance only to the nearest authorized service center for examination, repair or adjustment.
7. The use of accessory attachments not recommended by Mr. Coffee may cause hazards or injuries.
8. Do not use outdoors.
9. Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces.
10. Do not place this appliance on or near a hot gas or electric burner or in a heated oven.
11. To disconnect, turn any control to 'off', then remove plug from wall outlet.
12. Do not use appliance for other than intended use.
13. Use on a hard, flat level surface only, to avoid interruption of air flow underneath the appliance.
14. Ceramic Tea Pot Use and Care  
Breakage may occur if the following instructions are not followed:  
Use only ceramic tea pots specifically designed for the Mr. Coffee automatic hot tea
  - a. This ceramic tea pot is designed for use with your Mr. Coffee automatic hot tea maker and therefore must never be used on a range top or in any oven, including a microwave.
  - b. Do not set a hot ceramic tea pot on a wet or cold surface.
  - c. Do not use a cracked ceramic tea pot or a ceramic hot tea pot having a cracked or broken handle.
  - d. Do not clean the ceramic tea pot with cleansers, steel wool pads, or other abrasive materials.
  - e. Avoid sharp blows, scratches, or rough handling
  - f. Always let the ceramic tea pot cool before running water over, or in it.
  - g. Do not remove the knuckle guard. It protects your knuckles from iron the hot ceramic tea pot when serving.
15. **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, do not remove any service covers. No user serviceable parts inside. Repair should be done by authorized personnel only.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

# SPECIAL CORD SET INSTRUCTIONS

1. A short power supply cord is provided to reduce the hazards resulting from becoming entangled in or tripping over a longer cord.
  2. An extension cord may be purchased and used if care is exercised in its use.
  3. If an extension cord is used, the marked electrical rating of the extension cord must be at least 10 amps and 120 volts. The resulting extended cord must be arranged so that it will not drape over the counter top or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or tripped over accidentally.
- **This appliance has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). To reduce the risk of electric shock, this plug will fit in a polarized outlet only 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 modify the plug in any way.**

## *If Service Is Required, Do Not Return to Your Store*

For Service, call 1-800-MR COFFEE (1-800-872-6333 U.S.A. & Canada)  
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All repairs must be made by Mr. Coffee of an authorized Mr. Coffee Service Center. Please call us for assistance or for the **location** of the nearest authorized Mr. Coffee Service Center. **Please** do not return this appliance **to your store**.

We welcome your questions, comments or suggestions.  
Please include your complete name, address and telephone number  
and description of problem in all communications.

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## Introduction

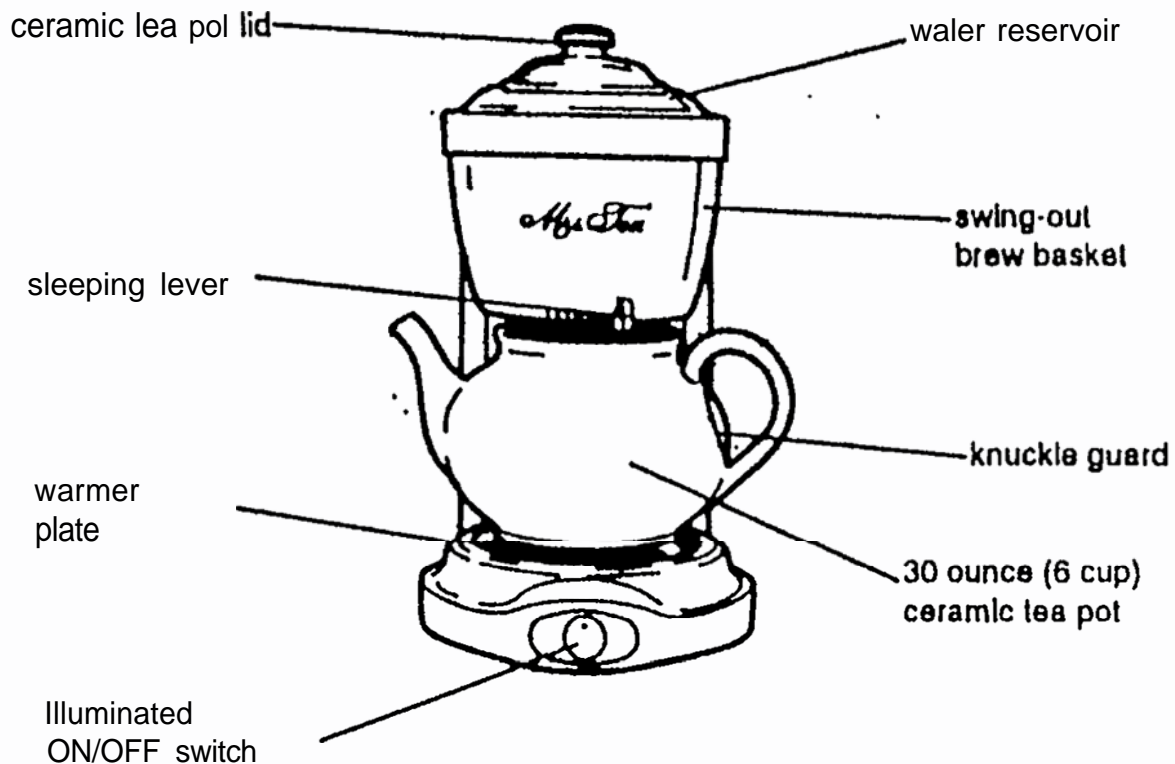
Congratulations You are the owner of a Mrs. Tea, an Automatic Hot Tea Maker, made by Mr. Coffee. Mrs. Tea automatically brews hot tea just the way you like it. in about 8 minutes, Mrs. Tea makes 30 ounces - or 6 cups of tea. So sit back, relax, and enjoy a pot of tea made just for you.

Please read all of the Instructions in this booklet carefully before you begin to use this appliance. Proper care and maintenance will ensure the long life of this appliance and its trouble-free operation. Save these instructions and refer to them often for cleaning and care tips.

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## Diagram Of Parts



## ***Types of Teas***

All teas are divided into four basic types - black, green, oolong, and a very rare white, based on how the leaves are processed. Some teas are named after the district they grow; Assam and Darjeeling. Others are named after people: Queen Mary, Earl Grey or Prince of Wales. The Russian Caravan tea is named in honor of the route to its trade. Some are named after the flavor which has been added to the tea - such as Jasmine. Others are named after their type, the size of their leaf (Orange Pekoe), a combination of type and size, or after their use. (English Breakfast and Irish Breakfast). Below you will find a list of common teas, their flavor and helpful hints.

**Black teas** are the most familiar to American drinkers. Examples are: Earl Grey, Assam, Darjeeling, Ceylon Breakfast, English Breakfast, Irish Breakfast, Keemun and Yunnan.

**Earl Grey:** Exceptional fragrance. Flavorful afternoon tea. Served with or without milk.

**Assam:** Enjoyed any time of the day - especially in the morning. Best served with milk.

**Darjeeling:** Full bodied. For tea lovers. A blend that can be enjoyed morning or evening. Served without milk and with lemon.

**Ceylon Breakfast:** Blend of Ceylon teas. Milder than English Breakfast or Irish Breakfast. Delicious any time of day. Served with lemon. Good iced.

**English Breakfast:** Full-bodied, robust, richly colored brew. A favorite in the morning. Served with milk and lemon. Good iced.

**Irish Breakfast:** A rich tea, producing a strong thick liquor. Enjoyable on a cold, wet afternoon. Served with milk and after a hearty breakfast.

**Keemun:** The burgundy of teas. Orchid flavored. Enjoyed after an Oriental meal.

**Green teas** are a light colored tea, and usually an acquired taste here in the Western world. Examples are: Gunpowder, Bancha and Tencha.

**Gunpowder;** Pungent in flavor. Best served after a Chinese meal, after dinner, or on a hot evening.

**Oolong teas** are partially processed. They are a darker tea. They have a sweet, mellow taste and a heavier body. Examples are: Formosa, Jasmine and Russian Caravan.

**Formosa:** Like ripened peaches. A cross between green and black tea.

Enjoyed mid-morning, afternoon or evening. Good after a meal. Served without lemon and milk.

**Jasmine:** An exotic tea scented with Jasmine flowers. Enjoyed in the afternoon, after dinner or late evening. Sipped slowly. Served with lemon and no milk.

**Herbal teas** are made up of a variety of plant parts, from leaves and flowers to roots and bark.

**Mint;** Favorites are lemon mint and peppermint.

**Rose Hips:** Makes a brilliant red tea.

## **IMPORTANT**

### **Clean Your Automatic Hot Tea Maker Before Using the First Time!**

Wash ceramic tea pot and lid in mild detergent and water. Rinse each thoroughly. Follow steps 4 through 6 below (with water only) to clean the inside of your automatic hot tea maker.

## **Steeping Tea**

1. Swing -out the brew basket to the right, and insert a 4-CUP basket style, Mr. Coffee® brand paper filter into the inner brew basket.
2. Add desired amount of tea according to the tea measurement chart found below. We recommend between 3-5 black tea bags or rounded teaspoons of loose tea. If brewing herbal teas, the amount of tea may need to be increased to reach desired strength.
3. Be sure the paper filter is properly centered before swinging out the brew basket into Place. Close the brew basket.
4. Remove the ceramic tea pot from the warming plate.
5. Fill the ceramic tea pot with tap water to about 1" below the rim (**30 ounces**) to make a full pot. **Do not exceed 30 ounces.**
6. Remove the ceramic tea pot lid from the water reservoir. Pour the water into the water reservoir. In the opening of the reservoir you will find a knob and a series of spokes. This design prevents the water from splashing when it is poured into the unit. Then rinse the ceramic tea pot with hot water. Place the empty ceramic tea pot onto the warmer plate. Return the ceramic tea pot lid to the recessed area found on top of the water reservoir.
7. Adjust steeping lever. The farther the lever is set to the right the longer the steeping time and the stronger the tea. The lever will allow you to adjust the brew cycle time from 8 to 11 minutes.
8. Turn your automatic hot tea maker switch ON. The warmer plate will automatically start heating the pot to avoid "shocking" the tea once it is dispensed. This is accomplished by a specially designed foot on our tea pot. When tea stops flowing, the steeping cycle is complete. Tee will be kept warm by leaving the ceramic tea pot on the warmer plate. When serving tea, remove the ceramic tea pot from the warmer plate. Take the ceramic tea pot lid from the top of the water reservoir and place it on your ceramic tea pot. The lid will help keep the tea warm when serving. NOTE: The ceramic tea pot lid should **not** be left on the ceramic tea pot when it is resting on the warmer plate.
9. To clean up, carefully swing-out the brew basket to the right and remove the filter basket and discard the used tea bags or loose tea and filter. Your tea will be kept warm as long as it is sitting on the warming plate. If serving tea on a wood table, place a trivet or hot plate beneath the ceramic tea pot to avoid scratching the wood surface.
10. To make another pot of tea, wait for the ceramic tea pot to cool down. Then, repeat steps 1 through 7.
11. Be sure to turn your automatic hot tea maker OFF when the ceramic tea pot is empty and you are no longer using your automatic hot tea maker. Unplug the power cord when not using the automatic hot tea maker.

## **WARNING**

To avoid risk of personal injury or damage, be sure that the ceramic tea pot is squarely centered under the brew basket during brewing cycle.

## **WARNING**

**BREWED TEA AND LEAVES, BOTH IN BREW BASKET AND CERAMIC TEA POT, ARE VERY HOT HANDLE WITH CARE TO AVOID SCALDING**

**IF BREW BASKET OVERFLOWS, OR IF BREW BASKET FAILS TO DRAIN INTO CERAMIC TEA POT DURING BREW CYCLE, DO NOT OPEN OR HANDLE BASKET. UNPLUG AUTOMATIC HOT TEA MAKER, AND WAIT FOR CONTENTS TO COOL BEFORE HANDLING!**

## **SUGGESTED TEA MEASUREMENT**

<b>TO STEEP</b>	<b>TEA BAGS OR LOOSE TEA:</b>
<b>6 cups</b>	<b>6 tsp. Or 6 tea bags</b>
<b>4 cups</b>	<b>4 tsp. Or 4 tea bags</b>
<b>2 cups</b>	<b>2 tsp. Or 2 tea bags</b>
<b>1 cup</b>	<b>1 tsp. or 1 tea bag</b>

. Use more or less tea to suit your taste. \*You may need to use additional herbal tea bags.  
1 level teaspoons = 1 tea bag 1 cup = 5 oz. hot tea

## Cleaning Instructions

Your automatic hot tea maker must be cleaned when you begin to notice excessive steaming or the steeping time increases considerably. This condition is caused by a buildup of lime and mineral deposits from your water. If the pumping action stops before all the water **has** been pumped out of the machine, then-the appliance requires cleaning.

The frequency of cleaning depends on the hardness of water used. The following table gives the suggested cleaning intervals.

### Using Vinegar:

1. Pour 30 ounces of undiluted white household vinegar into your automatic hot tea maker. **Do not exceed 30 ounces.**
2. Place a 4-cup paper filter into the filter basket and swing the filter basket into place.
3. Plug the power cord into an outlet. Place the empty ceramic tea pot on the warming plate and turn the automatic hot tea maker ON. When the vinegar has flowed through, turn the automatic hot tea maker OFF and let stand for 1/2 hour.
4. After 1/2 hour, pour the vinegar back into the automatic hot tea maker.
5. Place the empty ceramic tea pot on the warming plate. Turn the automatic hot tea maker ON and let **all** of the vinegar flow through.
6. Discard the vinegar and the paper filter.
7. To flush out all traces of vinegar, pour **a** ceramic tea pot full of tap water into the automatic hot tea maker, turn it ON, and allow it all to cycle through.
8. Discard the water and turn the automatic hot tea maker OFF. Repeat steps 7 and 8.

SUGGESTED CLEANING INTERVAL	
Type of Water	Cleaning Frequency
Soft Water	every 80 brew cycles
Hard Water	every 40 brew cycles

### Ceramic Tea Pot Cleaning

Hard water can **leave a** whitish mineral deposit inside the ceramic tea pot. Tea discolors these deposits, sometimes leaving **a** brownish stain inside the ceramic tea pot. To remove these stains, follow these simple steps:

1. Use **a** solution of equal parts white vinegar and hot water.
2. Let solution stand in ceramic **tea** pot for about 20 minutes and then discard.
3. Wash and rinse the ceramic tea pot thoroughly using a soft cloth. Do not use harsh abrasive cleaners. These will cause scratches which can lead to breakage.

**Ceramic pot is not dishwasher safe.**

## *Limited Warranty*

Mr. Coffee warrants to the purchaser that the HTM1 by Mr. Coffee (except for cord set) is free from manufacturer's defects in material and workmanship for a period of one year from the date of original purchase when used in compliance with directions as outlined in the manufacturer's Instructions, which will constitute reasonable and necessary maintenance by the purchaser.

In case of manufacturer defects in material or workmanship, Mr. Coffee agrees to repair (remedy) a defective automatic hot tea maker without charge. The purchaser's exclusive remedy against Mr. Coffee shall be for the repair or replacement of a defective Mr. Coffee product.

All repairs must be made at the authorized Mr. Coffee Service Center. To locate a Mr. Coffee Service Center, call 1-800-MR COFFEE (1-800-672-6333). Mr. Coffee *shall not be responsible for any repairs performed at any facility which is not an authorized Mr. Coffee Service Center.*

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from State to State. Any implied warranty is limited in duration to **the** one year provided in this, the only, **expressed warranty**. Some States do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

In no event shall Mr. Coffee be responsible for incidental or consequential damages, nor damage due to misuse or **the** use of any unauthorized attachment; nor damage caused by use of an electrical circuit not specified on the Mr. Coffee product. Some States do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

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