PUT THOSE RUBBER GLOVES AVAY.





What You Need to Know Before You Buy



Getting The Most Out Of Your Dishwasher



Easy Ways to Save Energy and Water





BEFORE YOU BUY



Thinking of purchasing a new appliance? Learn the basics first! Before you head to the store, read these helpful tips on choosing the perfect appliance for you.

Everyone loves hassle-free solutions that help get things done effortlessly, which is why Amana[®] appliances can help meet all your household needs. When it comes to freshening up your kitchen or laundry room, high style doesn't have to be complicated. Read on to discover the top new picks.

I. MEASURE YOUR SPACE

Measure the height, width and depth of the designated cutout space in your kitchen.



W: side to side (most dishwashers are 24" (70.0 cm) wide)
D: back to front (most dishwashers are 25" (63.5 cm) deep)
H: top to bottom (most dishwashers are 34"-36" (86.4 cm - 91.4 cm) tall)

Note: Some models offer adjustable levelling legs to accommodate varying counter heights.

Measure the clearance of doorways, hallways and other points of entry that will be used to deliver your new dishwasher.

2. EVALUATE THE FEATURES



Here are some features that you may want in your new dishwasher:

- Tall-tub styles make more room for large pots and pans
- · Sound Insulation dampens the sound of operation

3. PICK A COLOUR AND FINISH

Most models are available in white, black, or classic stainless steel.

BONUS TIPS:

- Confirm that electrical output is sufficient for the location of your new dishwasher. You will need: a grounded electrical outlet (no extension cord or adaptor) and a separate circuit.
- Make sure that you have the proper water supply and drain connections.
- Contact a professional installer for a first-time under-counter installation. New installations require significant carpentry, electrical and plumbing skills.

AMANA BRAND INSIGHTS:

Put those rubber gloves away, and check out a shiny new Amana® dishwasher.

They use less water and energy:



choose products with the ENERGY STAR® qualified symbol to save money on your utility bills.

They're roomy: Forget scrubbing those large pots and pans; they'll fit into the larger interior of a tall-tub dishwasher.

You'll barely hear them: Improved manufacturing has decreased the noise levels in new dishwashers.

All Amana[®] dishwashers are ENERGY STAR[®] qualified.

Want to simplify the post-dinner cleanup? Here's how to find the perfect dishwasher for your home.

- 1. Measure Your Space
- 2. Evaluate the Features
- 3. Pick a Colour and Finish



WASHYOUR WARES

You've spent time researching, measuring, buying and finally enjoying the perfect new dishwasher for your kitchen. Now it's time to learn how to clean, maintain and get the best washing performance out of your dishwasher so your plates and cutlery come out sparkling time and time again.

Amana[®] Home Appliances lends us some simple solutions to prolong your dishwasher's life and improves its performance and keep your dishes free from icky stuck-on foods.

CLEANING:

If your dishwasher's surface is stainless steel, stainless steel cleaner and polish work best to clean it. You can also use liquid detergent or all-purpose cleaner. Rinse with clean water and dry with a soft, lint-free cloth. Use vinegar to remove hard water spots.

You should also clean the inside of your dishwasher monthly or as needed for cleaner, fresher appliances. Affresh® dishwasher cleaner is the #1 recommended dishwasher cleaner* and will help keep odours at bay.

TIPS FOR BETTER CLEANING PERFORMANCE

Now that your dishwasher is in tip-top shape, get your dishes just as clean with these tips to help you load properly:

Top Rack Loading

- The top rack is designed specifically to hold your cups, glasses and smaller items, but small bowls, pans and big utensils can take a place up there if the bottom rack's short on room.
- Small bowls may be loaded so they stand "at attention" in the centre row of the top rack. Those in the rear section should face forward and those in the front section should face backward so the centre sprayer reaches all of them.
- Keep cups and glasses away from the bottom rack if you want to keep them in one piece.
- Load plastic "dishwasher safe" items in the top rack only and make sure they're in a secure place so the powerful spray doesn't shift them out of place.
- Drank some wine the night before? Dirty glassware is no match for the dishwasher; just make sure your stemware isn't touching other glasses to keep it from chipping.

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Bottom Rack Loading

- Load dishes so they aren't piled up on one another. Otherwise you end up with pesky water spots!
- If your dishwasher has a tower wash system (the hollow plastic tower in the middle of the rack), be careful not to cover the spray tower with your dishes.
- Place cookie sheets, cake pans, cutting boards and other large items at the sides and back to make sure the detergent isn't blocked from dispensing evenly.
- Load spoons and forks with some handles up and some down so they don't nest. Load all knives with handles up to keep your fingers safe. Be sure to check the manufacturer's instructions for sharp prep knives to find out if they're dishwasher-safe.

WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT WASH

It's important to know what you can and cannot put in the dishwasher if you want it to run and perform like new for years to come. If you have dishwashing doubts, check with the manufacturer to find out if the dish in question is dishwasher safe. Check out the list below to get your money's worth and take note of what to put in and take out of your dishwashing cycle!

Dishwasher Safe

- Aluminum Aluminum is dishwasher-safe; however, high water temperatures and detergents can affect the finish of anodized aluminum.
- **China/Stoneware** Antique, hand-painted, or over-the-glaze patterns may fade. Gold-leaf patterns can also discolor or fade.
- **Crystal** Some types of leaded crystal can etch with repeated washings.
- **Glass** Glass is dishwasher-safe; however, milk glass can yellow with repeated dishwasher washing.
- **Plastics** Plastics vary in their capacity to withstand high temperatures and detergents. Load plastics in top rack only.
- **Stainless Steel** Run a rinse cycle if not washing immediately. Prolonged contact with food containing salt, vinegar, milk products or fruit juice can damage finish.
- Sterling Silver or Silver Plate Prolonged contact with food containing salt, acid or sulfide, such as eggs, mayonnaise and seafood, can damage finish. Also, sterling silver or silver-plated silverware should not be placed in direct contact with stainless steel flatware, causing permanent pitting of the sterling.

Keep Away from the Dishwasher

- **Bottles and Cans** Break out the gloves and wash bottles and cans by hand. Labels attached with glue can loosen and clog the spray arms or pump and reduce washing performance.
- Cast Iron Iron will rust in the dishwasher and all of the seasoning will come off.
- Gold, Pewter, Brass and Bronze High water temperatures and detergent can discolor the finish.
- Wooden Ware Untreated wood can warp, crack, or lose its finish, so it's best to wash wooden ware by hand.

*Based on recommendation by the dishwasher brands of Whirlpool Corporation, the owner and distributor of affresh brand products.

SWEET TIP:

Keep that expensive silverware from corroding – do not mix silver or silver– plated silverware with stainless steel utensils, which can scrape each other. Certain foods, such as salt, vinegar, dairy products and fruit juices can pit or corrode silverware, so it's best to run a rinse cycle if you don't have a full load to wash immediately.

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SAVE ENERGY & WATER IN THE KITCHEN



Your new dishwasher shouldn't only look good, it should also help to save – on money, water and energy. The following key tips will help you learn to do just that.

The first step to making your appliances energy-efficient is choosing appliances with an ENERGY STAR[®] label. Many Amana[®] appliances are ENERGY STAR qualified and work hard to save you energy and water, with a range of features meant to help you save money on those utility bills.

ENERGY & WATER SAVING TIPS:

- Fill it up Run your dishwasher only when it's full and select a setting that matches the wash you need.
- Air dry The heat dry cycle uses a lot of energy. Turn off this setting and select "air dry" instead.
- Forget to rinse You don't have to rinse dishes before they go in the dishwasher! Rinsing your dishes in hot water beforehand just wastes water and energy – and time. Simply scrape off excess food and place dishes in the racks.



- Clean it out Make sure you clean out the filter regularly.
- **Off hours** To save money and energy, run your dishwasher during off hours. If you have the feature on your dishwasher, put on the delay before you go to bed.

GO ONLINE:

If you want to see your energy conservation working to save you money, use this handy online energy cost calculator for new appliances: http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/residential/ personal/appliances/energy-costcalculator.cfm?attr=4

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