Welcome to Kamado cooking! Our Vision Grills Kamado is based on 3,000+ years of clay pot cooking from around the world. Over generations our ancestors have continued to refine kamado techniques for grilling, smoking, baking and cooking all types of meats, poultry, fish and vegetables. Kamado cooking locks in moisture and provides a variety of ways to infuse different tastes into your foods that turns weekend grillers into neighborhood chefs.

Our Vision Grills Kamado builds on this heritage with fresh aesthetics, safety and convenience features, easy-lift lid with spring assist and high quality materials to define a new industry standard for design and innovation. The thick ceramic construction of our grill provides superior thermal insulation allowing you to grill, cook, bake or smoke regardless of the season, from the hot summer days in our home town of St. Louis to the cold snowy days in Ottawa Canada.

In this manual we provide the basics to get you cooking and invite you to our website, www.visiongrills.com, where we share recipes, detailed Use & Care information and contact information if you need more help. From our entire team here at Vision Grills, thanks for your purchase and welcome to becoming the destination eatery in your neighborhood!

Cooking with your Kamado

Your new Vision Grills Kamado is the complete outdoor cooking appliance that allows you to sear, grill, bake and smoke all types of food. For best results, we recommend using natural lump charcoal made from hardwoods. Compared to briquettes, natural charcoals start faster, burn cleaner and longer, reach higher temperatures and produce less ash. Left-over natural charcoal also relights for re-use. Before re-starting the grill, knock off excess ashes to any remaining charcoal. Routinely empty ashes, but only empty ashes when grill is cold.

Starting your Vision Kamado Grills is simple and fast: Open grill lid, open top and bottom vents wide open, fill the inner fire bowl with enough charcoal to just cover the air holes, then light the charcoal using either an electric starter or approved grill starters. After several coals are burning, spread evenly, close lid, adjust top and bottom vents, and wait for the Kamado to reach your desired cooking temperature. As needed, add more charcoal by using the flip grate feature, being careful not to burn yourself with the hot food or cooking grate.
Step 1: Cart Assembly
- Remove bolts, washers and locking washers from the two “X” connectors.
- Remove paper washers and begin assembling the “X” connectors and legs.
- Please Note: Top & Bottom “X” connectors must be assembled simultaneously.
- Assemble cart by inserting the two “X” connectors into leg ends and install bolts and washers in the same order they were removed from “X” connectors.
- While assembling, only finger-tighten bolts to allow for adjustment in cart. Otherwise it can be difficult to get all the bolts inserted.
- Screw in Standard Rubber Wheels to rear Cart Legs and the Locking Rubber Wheels to the front Cart Legs.
- Tighten nuts using wrench provided.
- After cart is assembled, confirm all bolts are tightened.

Step 2: Shelf Brackets
- Remove nuts and washers from bolts welded on the bottom banding and remove paper washers.
- Mount shelf brackets over studs with bracket slots facing unattached bolts and washers in the same order they were removed from "X" connectors.
- Mount flat washer then acorn nut on each stud and tighten with wrench provided.

Step 3: Grill Assembly
- Take all parts out of grill before lifting. The grill is heavy and will require two people to lift and guide the Kamado into cart.
- Be sure the Ash Drawer is centered between the two front legs and the grill is resting against the two back legs.
- Lower fire bowl into grill with the ash drawer opening lined up with the opening in the main ceramic body. Place cast iron charcoal grate with attached starter pocket into fire bowl (Step 3a). Align tabs of starter pocket with electric starter port in fire bowl.
  - Place cooking grates onto grill with hinges facing forward of grill.
  - Close lid and press top vent onto grill with pocket with electric starter as far in as possible. Plug in electric starter.
  - Wait until edges of charcoal turn white and flames are licking the mound of charcoal. On average it takes 8-12 minutes to start charcoal.
  - Unplug starter and remove from Starter Door. Be careful when removing electric starter, the element will be very hot. After use, let element rest on support and cool completely away from children.

WARNING: ALWAYS WAIT FOR ASH TO COOL BEFORE REMOVING ASH DRAWER. NEVER PULL OUT ASH DRAWER WHILE GRILL IS HOT.

Step 4: Handle and Shelf Mounting
- Remove nuts and washers from bolts welded on the top banding opposite the hinge.
- Remove paper washers and attach handle bracket over studs. On each stud place a flat washer and an acorn nut, then tighten.
- Mount side shelves by inserting the shelf rod into the shelf bracket. Tilting the shelf up slightly and sliding in or out allows you to deploy or store the shelves.

Step 5: Lava Stone & Bracket Assembly
- Open grill and take off grill grates to expose fire bowl.
- Spread bracket so it makes an “X” shape and lower onto fire bowl, allowing the bracket to rest on edge of bowl.
- Lower Lava Stone onto the bracket.

Step 6: Using the Electric Starter
(Sold Separately)
- Place required amount of charcoal inside fire bowl and open all bottom and top vents to maximize air flow.
- Flip open electric starter door and insert electric starter as far in as possible. Plug in electric starter.

WARNING: FUELS USED IN LIQUEFIED PROPANE GAS APPLIANCES, AND THE PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION OF SUCH FUELS, CAN EXPOSE YOU TO CHEMICALS INCLUDING BENZENE, WHICH IS KNOWN TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CAUSE CANCER AND CAUSE BIRTH DEFECTS OR OTHER REPRODUCTIVE HARM. For more information go to: www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

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ATTENTION! This barbecue will become very hot. After use, let element rest on support and cool completely away from children.

Step 7: Ash Drawer Usage
- Once grill is cool, it is safe to remove ash from ash drawer.
- Using bottom knob on Ash Drawer, lift slightly (Step 7a) and pull drawer out (Step 7b).
- Once ash is emptied, reinstall by pushing Ash Drawer back into grill body until it drops down back into place.

Long-Term Maintenance
1. The Wood Side Shelves should be covered when not in use and may require refreshing from time to time.
2. Routinely check the Spring Assist Band to make sure the 25/8” bolts are tight and secure.
3. When moving your grill please remember to make sure locking casters are in the unlocked position and always pull your grill. Never Push It. Pull from the back distance. Not the Handle. Your grill is more likely to tip if you push it and it hits a bump or indention on the ground.
4. Do not remove your Fire Bowl. Clean ash by brushing excess ash into ash drawer and removing. The purpose of the Fire Bowl is to hold your lump charcoal and will continue to work even if it is cracked.

ATTENTION! Use caution when cooking, as grill surfaces get hot. To avoid burns, always use protective gloves to adjust top and bottom vents when grill is in use. Do not use loose clothing near the grill.

ATTENTION! This barbecue will become very hot, do not move it during operation. For outdoor cooking use only. Do not operate grill indoors or in an enclosed space. Use grill only in well-ventilated areas. Keep immediate area around the grill free from combustible materials. Allow for at least 3 feet/1 meter of clearance around grill (house, other outdoor products, hanging tree limbs, shrubs, etc.)

WARNING! Keep children and pets away from the grill at all times.

Do not allow children to operate grill. Never leave grill unattended when in use.

Grill should be placed securely on a level base prior to use. Only operate grill on a hard, stable, level surface (concrete patio, ground, etc.) capable of supporting the weight of the grill when loaded with food. Never operate grill on wood support surface, wood deck or like combustible support surfaces. Never attempt to move grill when in operation or cooling down. Never operate this grill within 25 feet/7.5 meters of any flammable liquid. Never operate this grill within 10 feet/3 meters of a gas cylinder. The grill should not be placed under combustible structures, like garages, porches, patios, or carports. Burning charcoal produces carbon monoxide, an odorless gas, which can cause death.

The use of alcohol, prescription or non-prescription drugs may impair the operator’s ability to properly assemble or safely operate the grill.

Do not use on boats or recreational vehicles.

CAUTION: Never use lighter fluid, gasoline, or other volatiles to start your charcoal, as it is dangerous and will leave a residual taste in your food. Use only lighters complying to EN 1860-3. Use utmost care when adding charcoal to grill. Dispose of cooled ash by placing it in aluminum foil, soaking with water and discarding in a non-combustible container. Always wait for grill to completely cool before opening built-in ash drawer.

CAUTION: WAIT FOR GRILL TO BE COMPLETELY COOLED BEFORE PLACING COVER ON GRILL. NEVER PLACE COVER ON GRILL THAT IS HOT OR WARM.

When cooking above 500ºF/260ºC, with both top and bottom vents closed, rapidly opening the lid creates a sudden rush of oxygen into the grill, which can cause a flare-up. When in this cooking mode, we recommend that, prior to opening the lid, you open top and bottom vents to allow oxygen to stabilize inside the grill, minimizing the possibility of a flare-up.

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**Step 1: Measuring Charcoal**
Set bottom vent wide open and open lid. Measure out the amount of charcoal needed. For grilling foods fill the fire bowl with enough charcoal to just cover the air holes. Do not exceed 3.5 qt. (1.67 kg) of charcoal. For smoking foods at low temperatures for longer periods of time (1.5 hours+) you may need to add a little more charcoal, up to approximately 2” (50 mm) above the same air holes. Use lump charcoal for best results.

**Step 2: Starting Charcoal**
Keep lid open. Open the electric starter flipper door and insert starter as far as possible then plug in. Wait until edges of charcoal turn white and flames are licking the mound of charcoal. It takes approximately 8 - 12 minutes to start the charcoal. After coals are started, unplug electric starter and let element rest on support and cool completely away from children.

**Step 3: Setting Temperature**
When charcoal is ready level it out for even heat distribution. Close the lid. Set the top and bottom vents to the desired setting by referring to the Setting Temperature section in this manual that tells what number calibrations to use to attain the cooking temperature you want. Give your kamado 5-15 minutes to settle into the cooking temperature you want before you put food on the grill.

NOTE: If smoking, do not bring your temperature up above 200ºF/93ºC.

A) Spread hot charcoal evenly over grate.  
B) Set top and bottom vents for cooking.  
C) Let temperature stabilize.

**Step 4: Get Cooking**
Use a wire grill brush to clean the cooking grate. That’s it - you are ready for the cooking experience of your life. Go to our website for recipes.

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**VISION Grills Kamado cooking temperatures**
are controlled by adjusting the calibrated top and bottom vents.

*Caution – Decide if you’re cooking low and slow, then do not let the grill get too hot. Keep the temperature low, it takes hours to cool down.

Increasing air flow through top and bottom air vents increases cooking temperature, just as decreasing air flow slows the burn and lowers the cooking temperature. Closing both top and bottom vents starves the charcoal of oxygen and shuts down the fire.

*Caution - Continuous grilling at extreme high temperatures will cause the felt to burn.

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**PREVENT FLARE-UPS:**
TO EXTEND THE LIFE OF THE FELT, MAKE SURE TO AVOID FLARE-UPS BY “BURPING YOUR GRILL”.

If the lid is lifted too quickly, oxygen will rush inside the grill causing a flare-up. To prevent a flare up, lift the lid 1”/25mm and count to three before fully opening the grill. This method is called “Burping your Grill.”

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**COOKING TEMPERATURE**

**SMOKING**

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**PORK**

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**GRILLING**

(350 - 450°F)

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**Poultry Temp (°F)**

| Dark Meat | 165 - 175 |
| White Meat| 165       |
| Ground   | 170 - 175 |