

## QUICK START GUIDE



# Cuisinart Compact Sparkling Beverage Maker

## IMPORTANT!

**Do not throw away these instructions.**  
**Read before operating your new Compact Sparkling Beverage Maker.**  
**Keep for future reference.**

These helpful hints are intended to be a supplement to the Instruction Booklet. In order to ensure safe operation and optimum performance, please read the entire Instruction Booklet.

## OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Fill the beverage bottle with chilled water up to the indicated "WATER FILL LINE."
2. Insert the carbonator head into the bottle and screw down firmly until it is tightly fitted to the bottle (fig. a).
3. Use the toggle to make sure the safety window is fully open on the charger chamber.
4. Insert a disposable CO<sub>2</sub> charger into the open window of the charger chamber, narrow end facing down (fig. b), and ensure the charger is inserted firmly in place by gently pushing the disposable CO<sub>2</sub> charger back until you hear a click.  
**NOTE: Only use Cuisinart CO<sub>2</sub> Chargers powered by SodaSparkle.**
5. Place the correctly filled beverage bottle with attached carbonator head in an upright and stable position on a clean, flat surface. Lower the charger chamber down onto the carbonator head to engage the activating thread (fig. c). Screw the charger chamber clockwise onto the carbonator head. The safety window will automatically close and lock prior to piercing the CO<sub>2</sub> charger.
6. Continue to firmly turn the charger chamber clockwise until you can not tighten anymore and the CO<sub>2</sub> charger is pierced. You will see the CO<sub>2</sub> release into the bottle and hear a hissing sound and small associated release of excess CO<sub>2</sub> through the carbonator head safety release valve – a normal part of the carbonation process. **NOTE: Wait at least 30 seconds for full carbonation to take place.**
7. Shake the bottle thoroughly for 5 seconds (fig. d) to complete the carbonation process.
8. Slowly unscrew and remove the charger chamber from the carbonator head. Slide the safety window open using the slider button and eject the used CO<sub>2</sub> charger through the window by pushing your index finger through the hole provided.
9. Slowly unscrew the carbonator head and remove, then enjoy your sparkling water. **NOTE: Once opened, use only the standard bottle cap to reseal the bottle. The sparkling nozzle cap should be used only when carbonating.**  
If you would like, you can add a natural flavor stick to your 8 oz. glass of sparkling water for a refreshing, flavored soda (fig. e).  
**NOTE: Never pour in flavor before carbonating.**
10. The supplied bottle cap will maintain a residual pressure and can be placed on the bottle to keep the contents from going flat (fig. f).



fig. a



fig. b



fig. c



fig. d



fig. e



fig. f

### For Best Results

- Use only chilled water for carbonation.
- Always fill bottle to maximum fill indicator line, never overfill.

### Caution

- Never freeze the bottle or its contents.
- Carbonate only once.
- Do not move toggle before unscrewing charger chamber.

See reverse side for Troubleshooting Guide.

# Troubleshooting Guide

Problem	Solution
<b>The CO<sub>2</sub> charger has not been pierced</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A genuine Cuisinart Single-Use Recyclable CO<sub>2</sub> Charger – Powered by SodaSparkle™ has not been used.</li> <li>• The CO<sub>2</sub> charger has not been pressed firmly into place until a click is heard, or has been loaded at an angle.</li> <li>• The carbonator head has not been screwed firmly onto the bottle.</li> <li>• The charger chamber has not been screwed firmly down onto the carbonator head.</li> <li>• The piercing unit inside the carbonator head has been damaged (in this case please send the complete unit in for service to an authorized Cuisinart service agent).</li> </ul>
<b>Water escapes while carbonating</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The beverage bottle has been filled above the “Water Fill Line” indicator.</li> <li>• The carbonator head has not been screwed on tightly.</li> <li>• The carbonator head has been unscrewed before carbonation is complete.</li> <li>• The unit has been held at an angle while carbonating.</li> <li>• More than one CO<sub>2</sub> charger has been used to carbonate the same bottle contents (double-carbonating).</li> <li>• The charger chamber and carbonator head have been unscrewed too soon.</li> </ul>
<b>The water does not carbonate or hardly carbonates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No CO<sub>2</sub> charger has been inserted into the charger chamber.</li> <li>• A used (empty) CO<sub>2</sub> charger has been used. An empty CO<sub>2</sub> charger will have a hole at the tip where it was pierced.</li> <li>• The water used for carbonation was not cold enough.</li> <li>• The unit has been used repeatedly in a very short period of time. Rinse the carbonator head in warm water for 30 seconds and reuse.</li> </ul>
<b>It is difficult or impossible to insert or remove the CO<sub>2</sub> charger</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The CO<sub>2</sub> charger may be incompatible. Use only Cuisinart Single-Use Recyclable CO<sub>2</sub> Chargers – Powered by SodaSparkle™.</li> <li>• The safety window is not fully open. Use the toggle to open the safety window completely.</li> <li>• The charger chamber is still screwed down onto the carbonator head. Unscrew and remove completely to enable insertion or ejection of the CO<sub>2</sub> charger.</li> </ul>

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