

# OLD IRON SIDES SMOKER, CHARCOAL GRILL AND ROTISSERIE

User's Manual ITEM# OI-0000-1 MADE IN CANADA



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# **READ ALL SAFETY WARNINGS AND INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY**

### BEFORE ASSEMBLING AND OPERATING YOUR UNIT.

- Only use this unit on a hard, level, non-combustible, stable surface (concrete, ground, etc.) capable of supporting the weight of the unit. Never use on wooden or other surface that could burn.
- Proper clearance of 10 feet between the unit and combustible material (bushes, trees, wooden decks, fences, buildings, etc.) or construction should be maintained at all times when unit is in use. Do not place unit under a roof overhang or other enclosed area.
- For outdoor use only. Do not operate unit indoors or in an enclosed area.
- For household use only. Do not use this unit for other than its intended purpose.
- We recommend the use of a Charcoal Chimney Starter to avoid the dangers associated with charcoal lighting fluid. If you choose to use charcoal lighting fluid, only use lighting fluid approved for lighting charcoal. Carefully read manufacturer's warnings and instructions on the charcoal lighting fluid and charcoal prior to the use of their product. Store charcoal lighting fluid safely away from unit.
- We DO NOT RECOMMEND using accelerants in any of our products. When using charcoal lighting fluid, allow charcoal to burn with unit lid and door open until covered with a light ash(approximately 20 minutes). This will allow charcoal lighting fluid to burn off. Failure to do this could trap fumes from charcoal lighting fluid in unit and may result in a flash fire or explosion when lid is opened.
- Do not use gasoline, kerosene or alcohol for lighting charcoal. Use of any of these or similar products could cause an explosion possibly leading to severe bodily injury.
- Never add charcoal lighting fluid to hot or even warm coals as flashback may occur causing severe burns.
- Place unit in an area where children and pets cannot come into contact with it. Close supervision is necessary when unit is in use.
- Do not leave unit unattended when in use.
- When adding charcoal and/or wood, use extreme caution and follow instructions in "Adding Charcoal/Wood During Cooking" section of this manual.
- Do not store or use unit near gasoline or other flammable liquids, gases or where flammable vapors may be present.

- Do not store lighter fluid or other flammable liquids or material under the unit. Unit is hot when in use. To avoid burns:
- DO NOT attempt to move the unit.
- Brace unit with wheel chocks or other wheel blocking device so the unit does not accidentally move.
- Wear protective gloves or oven mitts.
- DO NOT touch any hot unit surfaces.
- DO NOT wear loose clothing or allow hair to come in contact with the unit or any other hot surfaces.
- Check grease level in grease cup often and empty or change when 3/4 full. Use extreme caution as the smoker and its contents will be hot.
- When using as a charcoal grill, grease from meat may drip into the charcoal and cause a grease fire. If this should happen close lid to suffocate the flame. Do not use water to extinguish grease fires.
- Use caution since flames can flare-up when fresh air suddenly comes in contact with fire. When opening the lid, keep hands, face and body a safe distance from hot steam and flame flare-ups.
- Do not exceed a temperature of 700°F.
- Use caution when assembling and operating your unit to avoid scrapes or cuts from sharp edges of metal parts. Use caution when reaching into or under unit.
- When opening the lid, make sure it is pushed all the way open. If lid is not fully open, it could fall back to a closed position and cause **SERIOUS** bodily injury or even death.
- In windy weather, place unit in an outdoor area that is protected from the wind.
- Close lid, door, smoke stack and air intake located on the firebox door to suffocate flame.
- Never leave coals and ashes in unit unattended. Before unit can be left unattended, remaining coals and ashes must be removed from unit. Use caution to protect yourself and property. Carefully place remaining coals and ashes in a non-combustible metal container and saturate completely with water. Allow coals and water to remain in metal container 24 hours prior to disposing.
- Extinguished coals and ashes should be placed a safe distance from all structures and combustible materials.
- With a garden hose, completely wet the surface beneath and around unit to extinguish any ashes, coals or embers which may have fallen during the cooking or cleaning process.

- After each use, clean the unit thoroughly and apply a light coat of vegetable oil to interior to prevent rusting. Cover the unit to protect it from excessive rusting.
- Use caution when lifting or moving unit to prevent strains and back injuries.
- We advise that a fire extinguisher be on hand. Refer to your local authorities to determine proper size and type of fire extinguisher.
- Store the unit out of reach of children and in a dry location when not in use.
- Do not attempt to service unit other than normal maintenance as explained in "After-Use Safety" and "Proper Care & Maintenance" sections of this manual.

### **LIGHTING YOUR OLD IRON SIDES.**

- When using as a smoker always open the lid of the unit before igniting the fire in the firebox drawer
- Your Old Iron Sides can be used with wood logs or charcoal.
- Always operate unit with chimney trap in the wide open position.
- Open the air control dampers on the firebox to the wide open position
- Using accelerants or other synthetic products will contaminate the unit and dramatically affect the taste of your food. Do not use any type of accelerant during lighting, liquid, solid or otherwise.
- With the lid open and using a chimney style charcoal lighter place the chimney lighter in the vertical position over top of the grill.
- Once the charcoal in chimney lighter has become sufficiently ignited dump the hot coals into the firebox drawer, close drawer.
- If using spit wood to ignite your fire, build a small fire ensuring that the fire is no higher than the drawer opening. Once ignited close drawer and lid.

### SEASONING YOUR NEW HAMRFORGE OLD IRON SIDES SMOKER

- Open chimney baffles to the wide-open position.
- Open air control damper on the fire box to the wide-open position.
- Open front door and slide all available grills onto the slides inside the cook box.
- Wipe units down using vegetable oil, lard or olive oil. (do not apply to any other surfaces other than the grill themselves)
- Using your favorite hardwood or charcoal light a fire inside the firebox drawer.
- With the lid and front door closed allow the unit to reach a minimum temperature reading of 250 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Close each of the three air control dampers to ¼ of an inch opening
- Season the unit until the fire has extinguished itself, depending on the type of wood and the size of fire used this process may take up to 4 hours.

#### USING YOUR HAMRFORGE OLD IRON SIDES AS A TRADITIONAL CHARCOAL GRILL

- Open unit lid and keep open during lighting.
- Using wood or charcoal build your fire directly on top of the smoke baffle, the smoke baffle is the plate the separates the bottom of the cooking chamber from the firebox drawer. For best performance use Hamrforge accessory charcoal basket part# OI-1048A (sold separately)
- Open air intake traps on the fire box to the wide-open position.
- Open chimney traps to the wide-open position.
- Maintain fire to hold desired grill temperature between the barbeque or grill range on the unit's thermometer depending on the desired cooking style.

#### USING YOUR HAMRFORGE OLD IRON SIDES AS A ROTISSERIE

- Remove all grills from the cook box.
- Remove the 8 bolts from the side of the unit and remove the sealing plate to expose the
  oblong rotisserie slots. Assemble the universal rotisserie bracket, Hamrforge part
  number #OIS-1043-0 using the provided nuts and bolts. The rotisserie bracket is
  symmetrical and can be installed on either the left or right side of the unit.
- Install universal rotisserie unit (not included) according to rotisserie manufacturers instructions
- Open chimney baffles to the wide-open position.
- Using wood or charcoal build your fire directly on top of the smoke baffle, the smoke baffle is the plate the separates the bottom of the cooking chamber from the firebox drawer. For best performance use Hamrforge accessory charcoal basket part# OI-1048A (sold separately)

### USING YOUR HAMRFORGE OLD IRON SIDES AS AN OFFSET REVERSE FLOW SMOKER.

- Open chimney baffles to the wide-open position.
- Open air flow damper on the fire box to the wide-open position.
- DO NOT USE petrol-based accelerants or cubed fire starters to start fire.
- Using kindling wood or charcoal build your fire inside the firebox draw located inside the fire box
- Allow the smoker to reach 300 degrees Fahrenheit and hold this temperature for 10-15 minutes.
- Close the air flow damper down to ¼ of inch opening or until the unit reaches 225-250 degrees Fahrenheit or within the smoke range on the unit's thermometer.
- Maintain fire as needed to hold the unit in the 225-250 range or within the smoke range on the unit's thermometer.

#### **CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE.**

- DO NOT USE cleaning agents or chemicals to clean the inside of the unit.
- DO NOT USE metal scrapers, steel wool or wire brushes to clean the unit. Using metal tools to scrape the unit can damage the steel's natural protective scale, scratch the paint and expose the raw steel to rust and oxidation.
- Using hot water and dish soap rinse the unit and remove any large deposits by hand.
- Using a sharp-edged wood scraper remove any grease, soot and ashes.
- Close the lid and open the cook box front door. Rinse with a power washer or a garden hose.
- Using a coarse threaded towel or rag wipe down the inside of the unit until it is dry.
- In the event your unit requires paint touch ups, use high temperature matte black paint.
  Do not paint inside the cook box. Prepare the surface requiring touch-ups by cleaning
  and removing and pain chips, grease or dirt. Using a Scotch-Brite® Heavy Duty Scrub
  Sponge rigorously scrub the area until clean. Using rubbing alcohol wipe the surface that
  requires paint. Apply paint and allow to dry according to paint manufacturers
  specifications.

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As this is a grill/smoker, the interior may experience changes in color of surface finish. This is not a flaw and as such is not covered under this Limited Lifetime Warranty.

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