

Classic Stainless Wine Refrigerator

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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

PLEASE READ THIS MANUAL CAREFULLY BEFORE INSTALLING AND OPERATING.

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Wine Cellar Package Contents

- Instruction manual
- 15 Standard Shelves
- 2 Keys

IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING To reduce the risk of fire, electrical shock, or injury when using your appliance, follow these basic precautions:

- Read all instructions before using the wine cellar.
- **DANGER:** Risk of child becoming trapped in new cellar, old wine cellar/refrigeration unit, or large boxes. Junked or abandoned appliances, boxes and other containers are still dangerous, even if they will "just sit in the garage for a few days".
- **Before you throw away your old wine cellar or refrigeration unit**: 1. Take off the door. 2. Leave the shelves in place so that children cannot climb inside.
- Never allow children to operate, play with, or crawl inside the appliance.
- Never clean appliance parts with flammable fluids. The fumes can create a fire hazard or explosion.
- Do not store in the vicinity of any other appliance. Do not store near gasoline or any other flammable vapors. The fumes can create a fire hazard or explosion.

-Save these instructions-

BEFORE USING YOUR WINE CELLAR

- Remove the exterior and interior packaging.
- Before connecting the wine cellar to the power source, let it stand upright for approximately 24 hours. This will reduce the possibility of a malfunction in the cooling system from handling during transportation.
- Clean the interior surface with lukewarm water using a soft cloth.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

General Installation Instructions

- This appliance is designed for both free standing installation and built-in installation.
- Place your wine cellar on a flat, solid floor that is strong enough to support it when it is fully loaded. To level your wine cellar, adjust the front leveling leg at the bottom of the wine cellar.
- When moving your wine cellar, please do not incline it more than 45 degrees.
- Locate the wine cellar away from direct sunlight and sources of heat (stove, heater, radiator, etc.). Direct sunlight may affect the acrylic coating and heat sources may increase electrical consumption. Extreme cold ambient temperatures may also cause the unit to perform improperly.
- Avoid locating the unit in damp areas.
- Plug the wine cellar into a dedicated (for this appliance only), properly installed and grounded wall outlet. Do not under any circumstances cut or remove the third (grounding) prong from the power cord. Any questions concerning power and/or electrical grounding should be directed to a certified electrician or authorized product service center.

Built In Application.

Your wine cellar can be installed built into cabinetry. The minimum dimensions of the built in area are as follows:

24 ½" W X 27 ½" D X 70" H

Door Swing

Your wine cellar was shipped from the factory with the door opening from left to right. If necessary, you can reverse the door opening direction from right to left by following these steps:

- 1. Remove the upper hinge by prying up the hinge cap and removing the screws holding the hinge in place.
- 2. Lift the door off the bottom hinge.
- 3. Loosen and remove the screws holding the bottom hinge in place and move to the opposite side.
- 4. Place the door over the bottom hinge and secure in place by attaching the upper hinge.
- 5. Loosen and remove the screws holding the handle in place. The screws can be accessed from the interior of the door by pulling back the door gasket.
- 6. Attach the handle on the opposite side of the door in the same manner.

Operating Your Wine Cellar

Setting the Temperature Control/Display panel

Temperature Control

Control Panel



Decreases the temperature by 1°C or 1°F.

The temperature display can be shown in either Fahrenheit or Celsius. To change the temperature display

press and hold ${}^{\textcircled{}}$ for 5 seconds.

Temperature reading of lower zone

Temperature reading of upper zone

SETTING A TEMPERATURE

Press 1 to select either the upper or lower temperature zone. Press 2 or \bigtriangledown to increase or decrease the temperature. The upper zone and the lower zone can be set to a temperature between 40-72° F.

NOTE: The temperature set for the Lower Zone must always be the same or higher than the temperature set for the Upper Zone. For optimal performance, the set temperature of the two zones should differ by at least 4°F.

TEMPERATURE SETTINGS FOR SERVING WINE

Although optimal storage temperature is generally regarded to be 53-57°F, different varietals of wine require different service temperature settings. The recommended temperature ranges for *serving* different varietals of wine are listed below. Your wine cellar will indicate when you have set the Upper/Lower zones to the below temperature ranges.

 Red Wines: 	60-66°F
 White Wines 	45-52°F
 Sparkling Wines 	40-45°F

LAYOUT AND STORAGE

Your cabinet was designed to store a maximum number of bottles securely. We recommend that you observe the tips below to optimize loading.

- Remove tape from shelves once unit is stable and ready for storage.
- Disperse the bottles evenly to avoid concentrating weight in one place. Bottles must not touch either the back of the cabinet.
- Make sure that the bottles are not all grouped together either at the top or bottom of the cabinet.
- Only pull out one shelf at a time. Never attempt to pull more than one.
- Maximum weight capacity per shelf is 55 lbs.
- You can increase your wine cellar's storage capacity by removing shelves and stacking bottles on top of one another. Do not stack more than 3 rows of bottles per shelf.

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Cleaning Your Wine Cellar.

- Turn off the power, unplug the appliance, and remove all items including all shelves.
- Wash the *inside surfaces* with a solution of warm water and baking soda (approximately 2 tablespoons of baking soda for each quart of water.)
- Wash the *shelves* with a mild detergent solution.
- Wring excess water out of the sponge or cloth when cleaning area of the controls, or any electrical parts.
- Wash the *outside of the cabinet* with warm water and mild liquid detergent. Rinse well and wipe dry with a clean soft cloth.
- Vacuum the front grill and back of the unit twice yearly. Make sure the power is off before cleaning.
- It is recommended to clean the unit completely inside and out once a year to maximize the longevity of the wine cellar.

> Power Loss

- Power failures that are corrected within a few hours should not affect the temperature of your appliance if you minimize the number of times the door is opened. If the power is going to be off for a longer period of time, you need to take other measures to protect your contents.
- If the unit is unplugged, loses power, or is turned off, you must **wait 3 to 5 minutes before restarting**. Attempting to restart the wine cellar before this time has elapsed may prevent the wine cellar from starting.

> <u>Absence/Vacation</u>

- Short vacations: You may leave the wine cellar powered on and unattended for absences of less than three (3) weeks.
- Long vacations: If the appliance will not be used for more than three weeks, remove all items and turn off the appliance. Clean and dry the interior thoroughly. To prevent mold growth, leave the door open slightly, blocking it open if necessary.

Moving Your Wine Cellar

- Remove all items.
- Securely tape down all loose items (shelves) inside your appliance.
- Turn the adjustable leg up to the base to avoid damage.
- Tape the door shut.
- Be sure the appliance stays secure in the upright position during transportation. Also protect the outside of the appliance with a blanket or similar item.

Energy saving Tip

• The wine cellar should be located in the coolest area of the room, away from heat producing appliances, and away from direct sunlight.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Many common issues with your wine cellar can be solved very easily. Try the troubleshooting tips below should you experience any problems.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE
Wine cellar does not operate.	Not plugged in.
	The appliance is turned off.
	The circuit breaker tripped or a fuse has blown out.
Wine cellar is not cold enough.	Check the temperature control setting.
	External environment may require a higher setting. (e.g. room
	needs to be air conditioned)
	The door is opened too often.
	The door is not closed completely.
	The door gasket is not sealing properly.
Wine cellar is turning on and off frequently.	The room temperature is hotter than normal.
	The door is opened too often.
	The door is not closed completely.
	The temperature control is not set correctly.
	The door gasket does not seal properly.
The light does not work.	Not plugged in.
	The circuit breaker tripped or a fuse has blown.
	The light bulb has burned out.
	The light button is "OFF".
Vibrations.	Check to assure that the wine cellar is on a level surface.
The wine cellar seems to make too much noise.	A faint humming noise may come from the flow of the
	refrigerator, which is normal.
	As each cycle ends, you may hear gurgling sounds caused by
	the flow of refrigerator in your wine cellar.
	Contraction and expansion of the inside walls may cause
	popping and crackling noises.
	The wine cellar is not on a level surface.
The door will not close properly.	The wine cellar is not on a level surface.
	The door was reversed and not properly installed.
	The gasket is dirty.
	The shelves are out of position.

TECHNICAL DATA

Item Number	HWC2403U
Accommodation (bottles)	156 bottles
Wine Cellar Dimensions	23 ½" W X 27" D X 69 ½"H
Type of cooling	Compressor cooling
Climate type	Ν
Electricity protection grade	Ι
Nominal voltage/Frequency	115V/60HZ
Rated power(W)	160 Watts
Ambient temperature	60-77 degrees Fahrenheit
Temperature range	40 - 72 ° F
Range of inside cabinet humidity	60%RH

Warranty

This product has been manufactured by Thor Group, 13831 Oaks Ave, Chino, California 91710.

Thor Group disclaims all express warranties except for the following:

This warranty applies to products purchased and located in the United States. Products purchased or located outside this area are excluded.

The warranty does not apply to damage resulting from abuse, accident, natural disaster, loss of electrical power to the product for any reason, alteration, outdoor use, improper installation, and improper operation, repair or service of the product by anyone other than an authorized Thor Group, service agency or representative.

Warranties and Duration

Full warranty for Parts and Labor: first year parts and labor, second year only parts.

Implied warranties terminate upon expiration of the limited warranty. Some states do not allow limitations on how long implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to your implied warranty.

Thor Group will pay for:

All repair labor and cost of replacement parts found to be defective due to material and workmanship. Service must be provided by a Thor Group Authorized Service Agency during normal working hours.

For a Service Agency nearest you, please call 877-288-8099.

Thor Group will not pay for:

This limited warranty does not cover:

1. Service to instruct you on how to use your wine cooler to correct house wiring, replace or repair house fuses, service to correct the installation of your wine cooler.

2. Repairs when your wine cooler is used for other than normal, single-family household use or when it is used in a manner that is contrary to published user or operator instructions and/or installation instructions.

3. Cosmetic damage, including chips, dents, scratches or other damage to the finish of your wine cooler, unless such damage results from defects in materials or workmanship and is reported to Thor Group within 30 days from the date of purchase.

4. Costs associated with the removal from your home of your wine cooler for repairs. This wine cooler is designed to be repaired in the home and only in-home service is covered by this warranty.

5. Damage resulting from misuse, alteration, accident, abuse, fire, flood, acts of God, improper installation, installation not in accordance with electrical, or use of consumables or cleaning products not approved by Thor Group.

6. Service to repair or replace consumable parts. Consumable parts are not included in the warranty coverage.

7. The removal and reinstallation of your wine cooler if it is installed in an inaccessible location or is not installed in accordance with published installation instructions.

8. This warranty is void if the factory applied serial number has been altered or removed from your wine cooler.

9. Repairs to parts or systems resulting from unauthorized modifications made to the appliance.

10. Expenses for travel and transportation for product service if your wine cooler is located in a remote area where service by an authorized Thor Group servicer is not available.

The warranty applies to appliances purchased and used for personal, family or household purposes only. It does not cover appliances used for commercial applications.

Should the appliance be sold by the original purchaser during the warranty period, warranty shall extend to the new owner until the expiration date of the original purchaser warranty period.

Warranty and Product Registration

Thor Group is not responsible for incidental or consequential damages. Under no circumstances will Thor Kitchen's liability exceed the cost that you paid for the product. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusion may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights that vary from state to state. Whenever you call our customer service at 877-288-8099 (THORKITCHEN WINE COOLER) for technical information and parts sales in the United States or to request service for your appliance, please have your complete model number and serial number ready. The model and serial number can be found on the product data plate. Please enter the information requested in the spaces provided.

Model No	Serial No
Date of Purchase	Purchaser
Dealer	Suburb
Town	Country

Note: You must provide proof of purchase and installation date for in-warranty service.