



Using the stove and the oven

In order to make life more complicated, the manufacturers of these top of the range appliances have made them **not obvious** in operation.

Using the hob

So as to make the top surface easy to clean the controls are touch operated. As a safety feature, they don't work very well if the surface is wet so make sure the surface is dry before you start.

To boil / fry / braise use any of the induction compatible pots and pans in the cupboard, Place the pot on the hob. Touch the leftmost icon to turn on the hob. A small red light will appear beside the power control and a red bar above each hob control. Select the appropriate hob control and a '5' will appear with a small red dot beside it. The 5 is the power setting and the red dot means that this is the hob that is selected. The power can be varied using the '+' and '-' keys in the centre of the control area but only when the red dot next to the current power level for that control is illuminated.

So, you could have a couple of pans on the hob gently cooking away but to change the power of each hotplate, you need to select that hotplate first by touching the appropriate icon.

It's slightly easier than it sounds.

NB: There is an icon on the right which looks like a padlock and next to it is a figure three with an inch sign - it is so that the hotplate can be locked so that it will not operate whatever you do or however many times you press the buttons in frustration or rage. It is mentioned nowhere in the manual. Don't worry, just hold your finger on the button for a few seconds and it will deselect.

Using the oven

There are two pop out knobs on the front panel, the leftmost one allows the selection of the desired function and the rightmost allows the selection of an appropriate variable eg the temperature.

Push the **left hand knob** gently to get it to pop out, turn it away from 'o' which means 'off' towards your choice. I tend to use the one that looks like a paddle steamer - two bars and a propeller - which means 'fan oven with two heaters'

and that seems to work quite well for heating things up.

The display will show a preset temperature - 180 °C . If you want a different temperature, turn your attention to the **right hand knob** and turn it until you find a temperature that you like.

Press the right most push button - the one with the tick on it - and the oven will move the little flashing cursor on the display to start flashing a number.

Push the tick button again and the oven should start to operate with a small and comforting hum. If it doesn't there is a **manual** on the shelf above it.