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Thank You for choosing this Solid Copper Tea Kettle from the **Old Dutch** line of quality kitchenware. Properly cared for, it will give many years of lasting service.

**IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS!
PLEASE READ BEFORE USING YOUR
NEW TEA KETTLE!**

USE AND CARE

• Some copper kettles are given a lacquer coating to prevent tarnishing while in dealer's stock and must be removed before first use. However, this kettle has NOT been lacquered at the factory so

there is no lacquer to remove. Any tarnishing or discoloration you may notice can be easily removed (see exterior cleaning instructions).

- Before first use fill kettle with water to ½" below the spout, bring to a boil and discard. Allow kettle to cool completely, then wash exterior with soapy water, rinse & dry. These steps will remove any oils or residues left by the manufacturing process.
- The handle and/or knob of this kettle may become hot in use. Always use a potholder or hot mitt when pouring. Be careful that any steam escaping from around the spout or lid does not scald you.
- Always use a back row burner to keep the kettle out of reach of small children. Always point the spout of the kettle away from the front of the stovetop, so any steam escaping from the spout cannot scald you.

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- Do not overfill. Water level should never be higher than ½" below interior spout opening. Over-filling kettle may cause boiling water to discharge from the spout.
- Always make sure your kettle contains ample water not to dry out. Boiling your kettle dry will damage it. Occasionally, the whistle (if so equipped) may fail to sound or may not be heard from another room. Therefore, never leave a heating kettle unattended and do not rely solely on the whistle to remind you that the water's boiling. After use remove kettle from the hot burner to insure any remaining water does not evaporate from residual heat.
- Do not use excessive heat. This kettle was designed to heat efficiently, so a minimum of heat is required. Always use a properly

sized burner, no larger than the base of the kettle. When using a gas burner never allow flames to climb the sides of the kettle.

EXTERIOR CLEANING

No exterior lacquer coating was applied to this kettle. With time and use it is normal for the copper to darken, tarnish and change color. While discoloration will not affect the functionality or safety of your kettle, many people prefer a bright, polished copper finish.

To preserve the original bright copper look of your kettle you will need to keep it cleaned and polished. If done often, this will require little time or effort. Begin by washing the exterior of

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your kettle in hot, soapy water. Dry thoroughly. Then polish the exterior with a non-abrasive copper polish, following the manufacturers' directions. Do not use abrasive copper cleaners, steel wool or other materials that may scratch the finish.

INTERIOR CLEANING

Over time the nickel-lined interior of your kettle may develop white dots, scale or a dull surface. These are deposits of trace minerals in your water and pose no health risk. These deposits may be reduced or eliminated by boiling a solution of 3

tablespoons white vinegar in a kettleful of water. When the solution boils, turn off the heat and let sit for 5 minutes. Discard the vinegar/water solution and rinse thoroughly with clean water.

If your water has a high iron content you may notice dark red, rusty spots or staining inside your kettle. Rusty discoloration poses no health hazard and does not affect your kettle's functionality. You may reduce or eliminate rusty discoloration by scrubbing the inside of the kettle with a nylon or sponge scrubbing brush. Take care, as the inside of the teakettle may have sharp edges.

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