



What is a pyrolytic oven?

If you're a keen home chef, you'll know that some recipes are just worth the mess they leave in the [oven](#). But as delicious as that [cheesy lasagne](#) or [pork crackling](#) may be, rolling up your sleeves and getting dirty in the aftermath isn't all that appealing! And that's where a pyrolytic oven comes in.

Also known as a self-cleaning oven, a pyrolytic oven can save you both time and effort, so it's no wonder they are becoming a kitchen staple. But what exactly are they and how do they work?

Here we answer some Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding the pyrolytic ovens.

What is a Pyrolytic Oven and how does it work?

Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning ovens have an automatic feature that tackles grime by heating the oven to very high temperatures, transforming baked-on bits until they carbonise and turn to ash – a process called pyrolysis (hence the name).

At NEFF, this feature is available on many of our **Slide & Hide®** Ovens, which have a disappearing door that makes cleaning much easier than conventional ovens. With the simple press of a button, Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning ovens burn residues inside the oven cavity to ash. When the oven has cooled down, wipe off the rest and enjoy a sparkling clean oven ready for your next cooking adventure.

The whole process only takes about 1-2 hours depending on the degree of soiling, there are three levels of pyrolytic cleaning to choose from at NEFF:

- 1 is for a low level of cleaning this will take about 1 hour 15 minutes
- 2 is for a medium level of cleaning this will take about 1 hour 30 minutes
- 3 is for a high level of cleaning this will take about 2 hours

[Explore all pyrolytic ovens by NEFF.](#)



How often should I use the pyrolytic function?

It's generally recommended every 2-3 months depending on how dirty your oven is, but you can run this function as often as you need to. Wondering how often you should clean your appliance to ensure their longevity? [Refer to our quick guide here.](#)

Is a Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning oven safe?

While the high temperature may spook you, Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning ovens are extremely safe. All NEFF Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning Oven doors have four panes of glass to ensure the surface temperatures are maintained.

Plus, once the internal temperature goes to high temperatures, the oven door locks and can't be opened until the programme is complete.



How do you use the NEFF Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning function?

It's important to start by making sure your oven is cool and you have removed any cookware and all accessories including the side rails. Be sure to remove any coarse residue or food. The oven must be empty.

Using warm soapy water gently clean the surface around the door seal. Be careful not to remove or scrub the seal. Use oven cleaner if necessary to

remove stubborn dirt from the door.

Then simply turn on your oven and flick through to find the Pyrolytic Self-Cleaning option. You can choose between the three levels for your cleaning, depending on the amount of food residue present and how long it has been in there. Confirm your selection and press start. You will see a lock symbol to indicate that it can't be opened. Once finished, wipe out any ash and return your racks and rails.

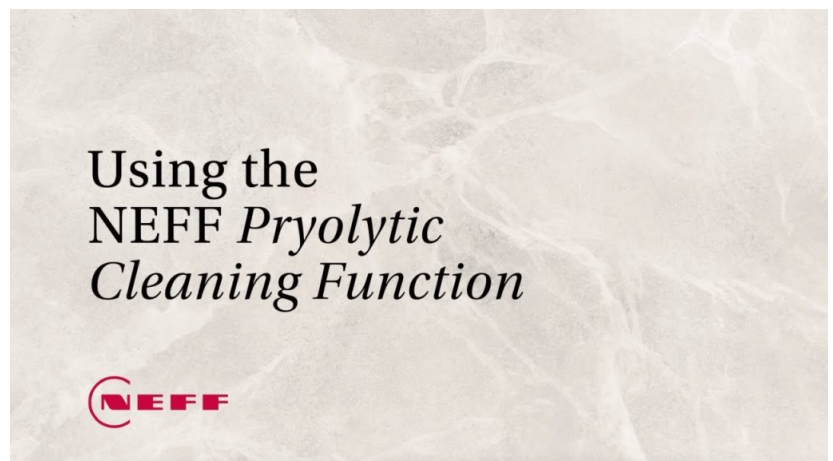
How to choose the right Pyrolytic oven?

Pyrolytic ovens are most sought after in the in-built oven category. To get the right pyro oven for your needs, make sure to look for features such as easy to remove racks and trays and make sure the pyrolytic oven has different intensities for a deeper or a lighter clean. Another important consideration is safety features to ensure nobody accidentally burns themselves during the pyro cleaning cycle.

Here is an [interesting link from Nation Product Review](#) to compare some of the top pyrolytic ovens on the market.

To learn more our range of NEFF pyrolytic ovens, [book a free demonstration](#) with a NEFF expert today.

We've filmed a video of this process for our NEFF oven customers here.



About NEFF

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