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Open sesame: Fully integrated dishwashers with Knock2open

Princeton, NJ – How can a fully integrated dishwasher be made to blend into a fitted kitchen with handleless fronts? Miele's answer is Knock2open! This door opening system, patents pending, is available from Miele on fully integrated dishwashers in two model categories from the new Generation 6000 series.

Since 1929, when Miele unveiled its first electrically powered dishwasher, the first ever in Europe, Miele has continued to spearhead a number of key innovations in the dishwasher category. In 1987, Miele introduced the third-level cutlery tray, a notable feature to this day, and now the Knock2Open technology available in Lumen and Diamond series dishwashers.

By tapping twice on the machine front, the door of the Miele dishwasher, otherwise incognito behind a handleless cabinet front, opens silently. The door glides open automatically as far as the ajar position and can then simply be pulled fully open. The machine only reacts to tapping on the front of the door. The door never opens unprompted as this technology is able to differentiate between tapping on the door, the countertop or on neighboring kitchen units. This way, the new dishwashers from Miele blend in seamlessly with modern kitchens without handles. The door is entirely without a handle and the machine front remains free from fingerprints.

As fully integrated models do not have any display visible from the outside, it can be difficult to monitor programs during operation. With Generation 6000, Miele offers TimeControl on selected models, a feature which makes the program countdown time visible at a glance. This involves the use of 4 LEDs on the control panel along the door edge. These are automatically switched on when a cycle starts and are switched off in succession, one after the other, until only one remains lit at around 20 minutes to the end of the program. The end of a cycle is obvious when AutoOpen drying automatically opens the door.

Like virtually all Generation 6000 dishwashers, fully integrated models boast Miele-hallmark features including a 3D cutlery tray, BrilliantLight and ComfortClose. Thanks to the electronically

controlled commercial-grade pump, all new models achieve low water consumption. In addition to the 3D cutlery tray, all models can be equipped with a cutlery basket which engages with the front row of spikes in the lower basket and can be positioned to suit individual needs.

The highlight in the Diamond Series K2O is the 'touch on metal' user interface: a stainless steel fascia with high-end, puristic appeal and a two-line white-on-black display.

About Miele US

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With 11 showrooms available nationwide to explore the product assortment, including the US headquarters in Princeton, NJ, Miele is one of the most desirable brands in household and professional appliances.

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