The charcoal basket adds the versatility of charcoal cooking to your gas grill. The basket comes in two pieces and is simple to assemble and easy to use.

1. Place the metal grid inside the basket frame (Fig. 1-1).

   **Note:** Some distortion to the metal grid may occur during cooling after use. This is normal and will not affect the efficiency of the basket during use.

2. Remove the cooking grid and flavor grid from the burner where you wish to set the charcoal basket.

   **CAUTION:** If the grill is in use, turn off the gas to burners & use heat-resistant gloves.

3. Place the charcoal basket such that it rests on the burner(s) in place of the flavor grid (Fig. 1-2 and reverse side).

4. Place the charcoal onto the assembled metal grid (Fig. 2-3).

   **Note:** You may also use wood chunks.

   **Important:** When piling charcoal, a 3/4" clearance below the cooking grid must be maintained.

   **WARNING:** The R.H. Peterson Charcoal Basket is designed and engineered to be used with plain charcoal. The use of quick-light charcoal is unnecessary and could be dangerous.

5. Replace the cooking grid back on the grill.

6. Ignite the burners under the charcoal basket as normal, turn to HI, and leave until the charcoal remains lit without application of flame from the burners (7-10 minutes).
**Note:** Keep the oven hood open until ready to cook.

7. When the charcoal is generating even heat and ready for cooking, use the oven hood as normal.

8. After use (when the unit has cooled down and the coals are dead), remove the charcoal basket from the grill and empty the ash from the ash retainer into a fireproof container. Clean off burners and ignitors as needed.

**Important:** Observe all safety cautions, warnings, and notes in your grill instructions, and all warnings supplied with your charcoal.

The Fire Magic charcoal basket is designed to be used on any Fire Magic grill (Aurora / Echelon shown here).

**For Aurora / Echelon grills:** align the basket cutouts over the burner supports as shown in Fig. 2-2.