



Radio / Cassette

# Caracas C12

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Operating instructions

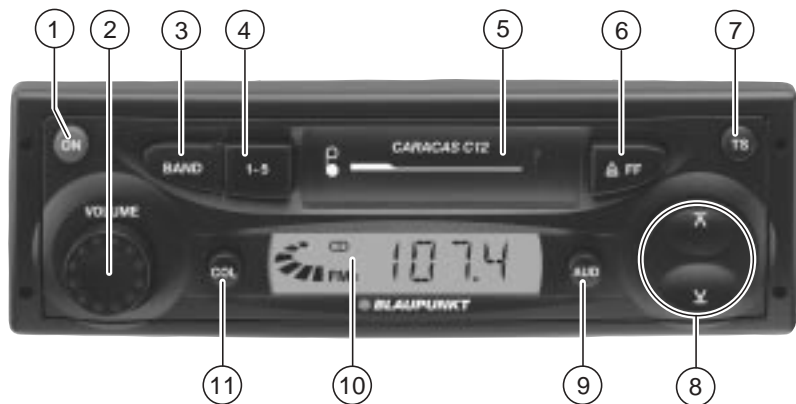



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- ① **ON** Button, to switch the unit on/off
- ② Volume control
- ③ **BAND** button, to select the FMI, FMII and FMT memory banks, and the MW and LW wavebands
- ④ **1-5** button, to select a memory location
- ⑤ Cassette compartment
- ⑥ **FF** button , fast tape forwarding and cassette eject
- ⑦ **TS** button, to start the Travelstore function
- ⑧ Arrow buttons
- ⑨ **AUD** button, to adjust the bass, treble, balance and fader
- ⑩ Display
- ⑪ **COL** button, to change the colour of the display illumination

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## Notes and accessories

Thank you for deciding to use a Blaupunkt product. We hope you enjoy using this new piece of equipment.


**Please read these operating instructions before using the equipment for the first time.**

The Blaupunkt editors are constantly working on making the operating instructions clearer and easier to understand. However, if you still have any questions on how to operate the equipment, please contact your dealer or the telephone hotline for your country. You will find the telephone numbers printed at the back of this booklet.

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## Road safety

 Road safety has absolute priority. Only operate your car radio if the road and traffic conditions allow you to do so. Familiarise yourself with the device before setting off on your journey.

You should always be able to hear police, fire and ambulance sirens from afar. For this reason, set the volume of whatever you are listening to at a reasonable level.

## Installation

If you want to install your car radio yourself, please read the installation and connection instructions that follow these operating instructions.

## Accessories

Only use accessories approved by Blaupunkt.

## Basic functions

### Switching on/off

There are various ways of switching the unit on/off:

### Switching on/off using the vehicle ignition

If the unit is correctly connected to the vehicle's ignition and it was not switched off using button ①, it will switch on/off simultaneously with the ignition.

### Switching on/off using button ①

⇒ To switch the unit on, press button ①.

The unit switches on.

⇒ To switch the unit off, press button ①.

The unit switches off.

### Adjusting the volume

The volume can be adjusted in stages from 0 (off) to 50 (maximum).

⇒ To increase the volume, turn the volume control ② to the right.

⇒ To decrease the volume, turn the volume control ② to the left.

### Adjusting the display


You can switch the colour of the display illumination between green and amber.

⇒ Press the **COL** button ⑪ to switch between the colours.

## Radio mode

### Switching to radio mode

If you are in cassette mode,

⇒ press the **FF** button  ⑥ until it goes no further.

The cassette is ejected and the device switches to radio mode.

### Selecting the waveband / memory bank

This unit can receive programmes broadcast over the FM frequency range as well as the MW and LW (AM) ranges.

There are three memory banks available for the FM range and one for each of the MW and LW ranges.

Five stations can be stored in each memory bank.

To switch between the memory banks or wavebands,

⇒ keep pressing the **BAND** button ③ until the required memory bank or waveband appears in the display.

### Tuning into a station

There are various ways of tuning into a station.

### Automatic seek tuning

⇒ Press and hold down the **∨** or **∧** button ⑧ until automatic seek tuning begins.

The unit tunes into the next receivable station.

## **Tuning into stations manually**

You can also tune into stations manually.

- ⇒ Briefly press the **√** or **↶** button (8).

## **Storing stations**

Storing stations manually

- ⇒ Select the required memory bank, i.e. FM1, FM2, FMT, or one of the MW or LW wavebands.
- ⇒ Use the **1-5** button (4) to select the memory location where you want to store the station.
- ⇒ Tune into the required station.
- ⇒ Press the **1-5** button (4) for longer than two seconds.

## **Storing stations automatically (Travelstore)**

You can automatically store the five stations with the strongest reception in the region (only FM). The stations are stored in the FMT memory bank.

### **Note:**

Any stations that were previously stored in this memory bank are deleted in the process.

- ⇒ Press the **TS** button (7).

The station storing procedure begins. "TS" appears in the display. Once the procedure finishes, all the stations stored in the FMT memory bank are played briefly.

## **Listening to stored stations**

- ⇒ Select the memory bank or waveband.
- ⇒ Repeatedly press the **1-5** station button (4) until the required memory location is displayed.

## CASSETTE MODE

### Cassette mode

You can use this device to play standard audio cassettes.


#### Switching to cassette mode

- ⇨ Insert the cassette with the open side facing towards the left into the drive until you feel it click into place.


The cassette starts playing.

#### Fast-forward seek mode


To start fast-forward seek mode,

- ⇨ press the **FF** button  ⑥ until you feel it click into place.

#### Stopping seek mode

- ⇨ Press the **FF** button  ⑥ again until you feel it unlatch.

#### Ejecting the cassette

- ⇨ Press the **FF** button  ⑥ until it goes no further.

The cassette is ejected and the device switches to radio mode.

## SOUND AND VOLUME DISTRIBUTION SETTINGS

### Sound and volume distribution settings

#### Adjusting the bass

- ⇨ Press the **AUD** button ⑨.

“BA” appears in the display.

- ⇨ Press the **∨** or **∧** button ⑧ to adjust the bass.

When you have finished making your changes,

- ⇨ wait 6 seconds for the settings to be saved.

#### Adjusting the treble

- ⇨ Keep pressing the **AUD** button ⑨ until “TR” appears in the display.

- ⇨ Press the **∨** or **∧** button ⑧ to adjust the treble.

When you have finished making your changes,

- ⇨ wait 6 seconds for the settings to be saved.

#### Setting the left/right volume distribution (balance)

- ⇨ Keep pressing the **AUD** button ⑨ until “BL” appears in the display.

- ⇨ Press the **∨** or **∧** button ⑧ to adjust the balance (right/left).

When you have finished making your changes,

- ⇨ wait 6 seconds for the settings to be saved.



## Setting the front/back volume distribution (fader)

- ⇒ Keep pressing the **AUD** button ⑨ until "FA" appears in the display.
- ⇒ Press the **V** or **A** button ⑧ to adjust the fader (front/back).

When you have finished making your changes,

- ⇒ wait 6 seconds for the settings to be saved.

## Specifications

### Amplifier

Output power: 4 x 5 watts sine in accordance with DIN 45 324 at 14.4 V  
4 x 12 watts max. power

### Tuner

Wavebands:

FM: 87.5 - 108 MHz

MW: 522 - 1,620 kHz

LW: 144 - 290 kHz

FM frequency response:

35 - 15,000 Hz

### Cassette

Frequency response:

50 - 12,500 Hz

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