Care and Cleaning:

Daily Use

Composite granite sinks may have smooth, counter-like surfaces that are tempting to use as a cutting board, however this should be avoided. Regular contact with knife blades can cause scoring and leave scratch marks on your sink as well as dulling the cutting edge of your kitchen knives. We recommend the use of either nylon or wooden cutting boards for any food preparation on top of the sink. Avoid sharp or sudden impacts, such as dropping heavy pans into the sink, as this can cause scratches or chip the sink. Like most composite sinks, avoid placing very hot pots directly onto or into the sink. Temperatures over 260 degrees can cause surface discolouration.

Maintenance and Cleaning

Clean your granite composite sink on a regular basis, using plenty of water and a non-abrasive or lightly abrasive cleaner. Never use a heavy-duty scouring pad or wire wool on a composite sink and never use bathroom cleaners containing harsh abrasives. These materials can create many fine scratches that encourage stains and discolouration. Avoid ammonia or commercial acidic cleansers, as these can etch the sink surface. After cleaning, always rinse the sink well and wipe it dry using a soft, clean cloth. This discourages water spots and the build-up of soap scum.

Mineral Deposits

In hard water areas, your sink may develop a build-up of mineral deposits, such as limescale. These deposits can dull or discolour your sink. They may also absorb colour from beverages such as fizzy drinks, coffee or red wine, creating the appearance of a stain. Remove these mineral deposits using a mild acid, such as diluted lemon juice or vinegar. Rinse the sink thoroughly after cleaning with mild acids.

Stains

Even the best cared-for granite composite sink may develop stains over time. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions when applying these products to your sink. For very stubborn stains, use a solution of 50% bleach and 50% water and apply with a sponge or plastic scouring pad and rinse well with fresh water. Never leave bleach soaking in your sink.

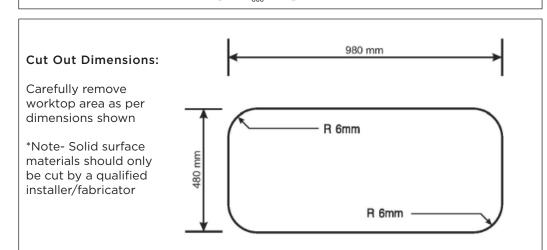
Avoid

Very harsh chemicals like caustic soda and ammonia and direct contact with drain cleaning/ unblocking products.

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Product: SK15COMP DU Description: Kitchen Sink 1.5 Bowl Composite Dawn Grey Universal

Technical Drawing: All measurements in mm



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Whilst every effort has been made to make these instructions comprehensive, we strongly recommend that this product is installed by a skilled professional, to ensure the best possible finished installation.

Preparation:

- 1. Take great care when handling this sink. Whilst every effort has been taken to remove sharp edges, we recommend wearing gloves accordingly. Do not lift the product by the waste hole(s) or tap hole(s).
- 2. Check that the supporting carcasses and worktop is level left to right and front to back to ensure correct drainage of water.
- 3. Check that the surrounding furniture is the correct size and shape to accept this product and that no plumbing or wiring may interfere with the installation. Ensure that both the sink bowl, tap and tap tails and wastes will work within the space, before undertaking installation. Pay particular attention to adjacent units and appliances before undertaking installation they could impede correct fitting.
- 4. If replacing an existing sink, remove this product and clean the surrounding area, ensure the new sink will suit the existing cut out size and position.
- 5. Collect the tools you will need to complete this installation. Typically, this might include a spirit level, pencil, straight edge, 35mm hole saw, jigsaw, cross-head screwdriver and small adjustable spanner.

Installation:

- Before creating the cut out in the worktop, carefully plan the positioning of the sink. Ensure that the position of the bowl(s), tap and overflows will not interfere with surrounding units or appliances. The cut out details are published on the front page and (add customers website details) to ensure perfect positioning of this product. Check that the fixing clips will not foul carcass walls or supporting braces.
- Carefully mark out the cut out using the cut out dimensions provided on the front page. Create the sink cut out in the worktop using a router or jigsaw following the manufacturers instructions take care not to chip, crack or scratch the worktop. When preparing the cut out cover any open pipework to avoid any debris contaminating the water supply feeds.
- 3. Seal the cut edges of the worktop with a waterproof sealant to prevent any possible water damage to the worktop. Ensure all exposed cuts on the worktop are correctly sealed.
- In a well ventilated area, drill out the tap hole in the desired location using a 35mm hole saw. Please ensure the front face is supported whilst drilling in order to prevent cracking. IMPORTANT: Please make sure to wear safety goggles and a dust mask whilst drilling.
- 5. Install the waste kit(s) and overflow to the sink according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- 6. Apply a generous continuous bead of silicone into the channel around the underside of the perimeter of the sink (fig. 1).
- 7. Unscrew the fixing clip screws fully then rotate the hook section of the fixing clips away from the sink edge (fig. 2), to allow the sink to pass through the cut-out in the worktop.

- 8. Pass the sink through the worktop cut out from above, align the sink straight to the cut out hole and worktop front edge.
- 9. Fix the sink to the worktop by tightening the screws on the fixing clips clockwise (fig. 3) using a cross-head screwdriver, the sink frame will pull down tight and flat to the top surface of the worktop.
- 10. Tighten the clips in an order similar to fig. 4 to ensure the sink does not skew or rotate whilst it is being fixed. Do not use an electric screwdriver, this will over tighten the screws and could damage the clips.
- 11. Attach the sink connecting pipework to the waste kit(s) as per the manufacturers instructions.
- 12. You may choose to neatly seal around the sink outer perimeter using silicone, whilst the underside of the channel silicone bead should provide a watertight seal we recommend this step out of prudence.

After Installation:

- 1. Clean the sink using the overleaf care advice ready for use.
- 2. Check the sink is flat to the worktop, straight and level; pour a small amount of water onto the drainer to check for drainage.
- 3. Close the plug(s) in all bowls fill the sink with water below the overflow, check the water does not leak through or around the waste(s).
- 4. Open the plug(s) and let water drain from the bowls, check the connecting pipework does not leak.
- 5. If the sink is not to be used for a period after installation, cover the sink and tap to protect them from accidental damage during further surrounding installation work.
- 6. We recommend that any water seals on this sink should be checked for water tightness periodically.

