

# FOSSIL BLU

## Fireclay and Copper Sink Installation Guide

Version 1.8

# Installation and Care Manual

## FSW1102 Copper Undermount Kitchen Sink

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### General Recommendations:

Please read installation and care instructions thoroughly. Inspect your sink for any noticeable damage before installation. Check all local applicable plumbing and building codes.

These instructions are based on application to composite material or solid surface countertop installation only; countertop application to stone, marble, granite or butcher-block should be referred to an experienced countertop fabricator for custom installation.

We suggest using experienced and professional installers only. For custom cutting of countertop and installation of the actual sink, on-site installation is also recommended. Acceptable variances are approximately 1/8 of an inch. Alignment to the cut-out and precise application and trimming of any adhesive sealant are critical to a superior fit and finished look.

Fossil Blu sinks does not accept any liability for damage to countertop, sink fixture, faucets or personal injury during installation. Warranty is void if installation instructions are not followed.



**CAUTION:** Undermount sinks require that your countertop is fabricated to exacting standards and the sink be installed using meticulous procedures. We recommend that you leave the installation to a seasoned professional.

### Applicable Sink Models:

#### Copper Series

FSW1102

### Tools / Materials Needed:

- Tape Measure
- Hacksaw / Jigsaw
- Rags
- Pencil (Not Ink)
- Ear and Eye Protection
- Denatured Alcohol
- Silicone Adhesive Sealant
- Mounting Clips

*Be sure to use proper tools and always wear personal safety devices for your protection.*

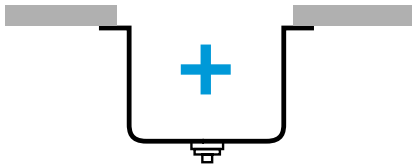
### Installation Instructions:

1. Unpack and check the contents supplied: Sink, Mounting Brackets and Cutout Template
2. The Cutout Template provides 3 options for installation (see reverse for Countertop Reveal Options). Trace the outline of the template and cut countertop along the inside of the line using appropriate cutting tools. Template is for guide only — Use the physical sink to ensure accurate cutout opening.
3. Locate and drill holes on the underside of the countertop, approximately 1" from edge of the sink to be installed. Holes should be evenly spaced approximately 6" to 8" apart starting from every corner. It is recommended to install a faucet at this point before installing the sink.
4. Loosely attach mounting brackets to the countertop, parallel to the cutout opening using the mounting screws and butterfly nuts.
5. Clean sink flange and underside of cutout area of countertop, making sure that the area is smooth and free from grease. Apply continuous bead of silicone caulk evenly on top of sink flange.
6. Position and align sink over countertop opening and press sink onto countertop. Turn bent end of mounting bracket to snug over the sink rim. Check alignment of sink again and tighten fasteners to secure sink.
8. Wipe away excess silicone caulk with a damp cloth. Connect drain and water supply according to manufacturer's instructions.



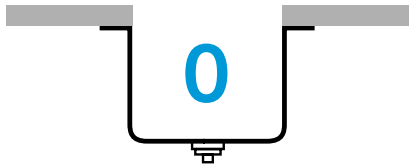
**CAUTION:** All installation types need to allow room for faucet installation. Ensure adequate clearance behind the sink for any faucet and backsplash, as well as full range of motion for faucet spouts and handles.

## Countertop Reveal Options:



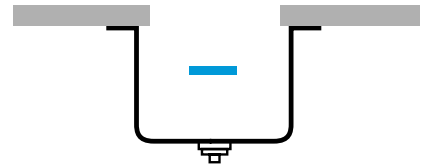
### Positive Reveal

The countertop edge sits typically 1/8" back from the edge of the sink and the sink rim is exposed.



### Zero Reveal

The countertop meets the edge of the sink and fits flush with the sink bowls.



### Negative Reveal

The countertop extends over the edge on all sides of the sink.

## Care and Maintenance of Copper Sinks:

Much of the beauty of copper lies in its long-lasting wear and enduring good looks. Follow these simple sink cleaning and maintenance tips, and your Fossil Blu copper sink will retain its original beauty for years to come.

### Simple cleaning tips to keep your sink stain-free:

- The charisma and charm of copper is its living finish, which will change and react over the course of use. That means if you accidentally forget to wash out the food from last night's dinner, you will notice a change in the copper finish. This will inevitably happen and is completely normal – Relax and let the natural patina process take over.
- Patina is a natural coating that builds on copper over time to protect it from corrosion. Spots and blemishes will come up from time to time (from citrus, salt, ketchup and toothpaste), but just like a brand new penny – over time it will re-patina and darken, leaving your sink with a rich copperly blend of light dark tones.
- Since most soaps and detergents contain chlorides, Just recommends frequent rinsing of your copper sink, preferably after each use. Combine this simple daily treatment with weekly cleansing. Rinse well and dry. Regularly drying your sink works wonders to prevent water spots.
- Protect the finish of your copper sink and reduce spotting with a monthly coating of copper wax surface protectant.

### Maintaining the original beauty of your sink:

- Do not let soap cleansers dry on the sink surface. Rinse regularly to keep the chlorides found in most cleansers from affecting the sink's natural luster.
- Do not allow chlorine bleach and drain cleaners to come into contact with the sink surface. It will remove the patina and drastically alter the finish of your sink.
- Steer clear of steel wool pads and strong abrasive cleansers, as they will scratch the surface. For hard-to-clean projects, try a ScotchBrite scouring pad when the job at hand requires a little extra effort.
- Avoid leaving food, toothpaste or steel and cast iron cookware in your sink for extended periods of time. Iron plus moisture on top of copper can lead to surface rust and staining.
- Rubber dish mats, wet sponges and cleaning pads are not recommended for a lengthy stay in your sink. Since they trap water, discoloration and staining can result.
- Just as you do not use your cutting board to clean the dishes, do not use your sink as a cutting board. Knives and other sharp kitchen instruments will naturally damage the surface of your sink.