

The #1 Secret to Choosing The Correct Kitchen Sink Is:

Usage – Carefully consider how you will use the sink. The following are some suggestions:

Single Bowl Sinks - Do you wash dishes in the sink everyday or just occasionally? If you use your sink to occasionally wash larger items that don't fit in the dishwasher think about investing in a larger single bowl unit. Single bowl sinks look great and will accommodate many larger items that won't fit easily into a double bowl.

Double Bowl Sinks – If you don't have or want a dishwasher, then consider a double sink. With one side for washing and one side for rinsing, double bowl sinks are perfect for those who wash their dishes by hand.

Also, if you tend to leave dishes in the sink for any time a double bowl might be for you. With a double bowl sink you will have one side for dirty dishes and one side for ongoing usage, such as rinsing dinnerware or dumping liquids.

A double sink with a combined offset large bowl and a smaller bowl with a garbage disposal is a sure winner for many families who love to cook. The large bowl will accommodate larger items and the small bowl should be kept empty for food waste.

Triple Bowl Sinks – Large triple bowl sinks are perfect for the serious cook or baker. They feature two larger bowls plus a third smaller bowl in the middle. Generally a garbage disposal is installed under the middle bowl and is used for discarding food waste instead of throwing it in the trash. This has the obvious benefits of reducing trash output in the garbage can and reducing trash odor from degrading food waste.

Combine Sinks – Can't find the perfect sink size to fit your lifestyle? No problem, combine two or more single bowl sinks. Maybe you like the idea of having a large single bowl sink, but also want a sink that is always clear and ready for food waste. For example you could combine a large single bowl sink with a smaller prep sink next to it. This way you have the larger sink for everyday use and the smaller sink for food waste (with a garbage disposal). Or, if you are looking for a very large double bowl sink, you could combine two larger single bowl units sitting side-by-side for the perfect sink setup.

Depth – take in to consideration the depth of the sink. Deep sinks are great for soaking items, but may also cause back strain for taller people who are bending down to reach the bottom. Shallow sinks may not offer enough depth for soaking large items. If you entertain a lot, you can't beat a deep sink for storage of dirty dishes.

Bonus Secret

The #2 Secret to Choosing The Correct Kitchen Sink Is:

Sink Gauge – Gauge is a way of measuring the thickness of the steel used to manufacture the sink. The lower the gauge number, the thicker and heavier the sink will be. A thicker heavier

gauge sink will stand up better to everyday use, especially in a well used kitchen. Gauge is not the only factor to consider when purchasing a sink, but we do suggest buying the highest gauge that your budget will allow. Your sink needs to be able to stand up to everyday use and the occasional pot that slips and drops into the bottom. The following are common sink gauges and their usage:

15 gauge – professional quality, for the serious cook, baker or entertainer.

16 gauge – residential quality, great for most households and will hold up very well under average use.

18 gauge – builder quality, good quality sink for small families or those who occasionally cook.

20 gauge or less – low quality, these sinks are typically found at home centers.

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