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### Choosing Sinks

**\*These are just general guidelines. If you have a specific sink in mind, please contact us—we may be able to modify the set up to fit sinks larger than those mentioned below.**

There are some important factors to remember when choosing your sink.

#### **KITCHEN:**

The width of a typical kitchen countertop is 25 \_”

The width of backsplash is 1 \_”

At least 2” must be left for fixtures

At least 3 \_” must be left in front of an undermount sink

This means that the maximum size undermount sink that can be used is 18 \_”—Offset bowls may have one bowl larger than 18 \_” because the fixtures will be placed over the smaller bowl.

Note: Not all sinks with an 18 \_” bowl will fit in the cabinet box.

The maximum sized drop-in sink is 22”—however with a sink this large, it may have to be cut in your house or seamed.

If you chose a sink larger than those recommended, the area in front of the sink will be less than 3 \_ inches. Although it may work, we cannot guarantee that the stone will not crack.

#### **VANITY:**

For a vanity, countertop thickness is 22-23”

Backsplash is 1 \_”

At least 2” must be left for fixtures

At least 3” must be left in front of sink

A vanity sink should be no more than 16-17”

Make sure that the fixtures you chose are appropriate for your style of sink. For example, with an offset bowl sink, you should use a single function faucet, rather than temperature fixtures or your faucet may not reach into the larger bowl.

**\*\*\*For both Kitchen and Vanity sinks, you must also measure that the length of the sink (left to right) fits into your cabinet box. We can usually modify the cabinet to accommodate a larger sink, but there will be an extra charge.\*\*\***

Other notes:

#### **DISHWASHERS:**

If you attempt to attach the dishwasher directly to the granite, there is an extremely high probability of the countertop cracking. It is best to mount your dishwasher into the sides of the cabinets. The dishwasher can also be attached to a piece of wood affixed to the cabinet walls.