



## Prima+ Granite Sink Care & Maintenance

### Daily Use

Prima+ 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. Prima 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 Prima+ granite composite sink on a regular basis, using plenty of water and a non-abrasive or lightly abrasive cleaner such as baking soda. Shiny Sinks and Bar Keepers Friend can also be used providing the manufacturer's instructions are followed. Never use metallic scouring pads or wire wool on a Prima+ 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 50% lemon juice / water, or 50% white vinegar / water solution. Always rinse the sink thoroughly with plenty of fresh water after cleaning with any chemicals.

### Stains

Even the best cared-for granite composite sink may develop stains over time. Shiny Sinks and Bar Keepers Friend can be used repeatedly over a few days to remove stubborn stains. 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.