

ENGINEERED MARBLE VANITY TOP INSTALLATION

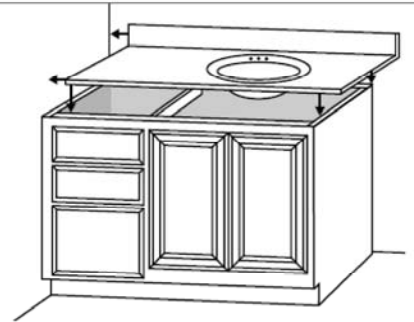
1. DRY FITTING & SIZING

Dry fit the vanity top and check for proper fit and overhang. If the vanity top touches a wall, there is often a small gap between the top and the wall. This gap can either be filled with a small bead of silicone or it can be hidden by a side splash.

If the vanity top needs to be cut or sanded for better fitting, see step 2.

Supports - There should be a support in the cabinet on either side of the bowl, normally within 5" of the bowl.

When dry fitting the vanity top, it is easy to hit a wall and cause damage to the drywall or paint. Setting the top on the cabinet and then sliding it towards the wall(s) will help avoid scrapes or dents in your walls.



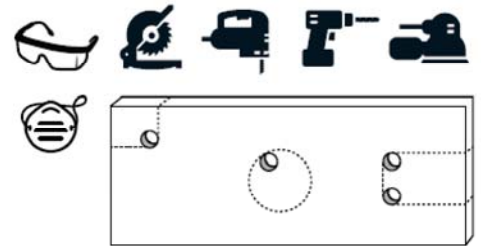
2. SANDING, CUTTING, & NOTCHING

Vanity tops can be cut or sanded using wood cutting tools such as circular saws, jig saws, and belt sanders. If you need to notch your vanity top, first drill holes in the corners of the area to be notched, and then cut between the holes.

It is important to leave a radius in the corner to avoid the possibility of stress cracks.

If cutting is necessary, cut from the back side to avoid scratching or chipping the finished side.

Leaving a little extra material while cutting allows you to belt-sand to your cut line for a perfect edge.

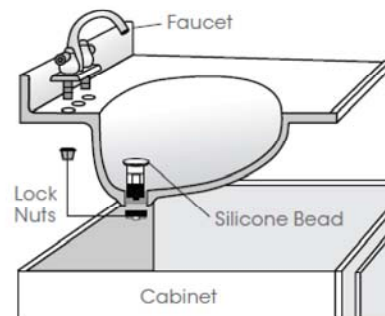


3. FAUCET & DRAIN

We recommend using a metal or plastic drain that has a thinner flange. The thinner flange will allow water to flow down the drain without sitting. (see picture to right)

Apply a bead of silicone around the drain flange and attach the drain to the vanity top. Excess silicone can be easily removed using rubbing alcohol and a paper towel.

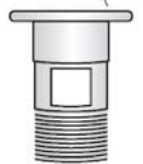
Use only 100% silicone for the drain installation. Avoid using plumbers' putty or other construction caulk as these tend to cause leaks and discoloration over time.



Metal or Plastic Drain with Thinner Flange
Preferred Drain Style



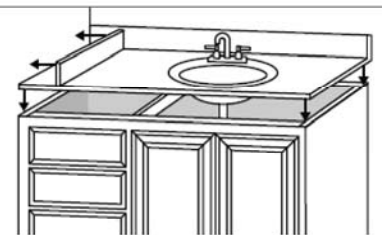
Plastic Drain with Thick Flange
Avoid When Possible



4. SETTING VANITY TOP

Once the drain and faucet are installed onto the vanity top, place a few spots of silicone along the top edge of the cabinet. Set the top onto the cabinet. The silicone will secure it in place.

If installing side splashes or a separate backsplash see step 5.



5. SIDESPLASHES & SEALANT

Apply a small amount of silicone caulk on the back side of the splash and firmly press against the wall. Avoid applying silicone too close to the edges of the splash in order to keep clean up to a minimum.

Side splashes typically arrive pre-fit to your vanity top so no extra shaping should be needed. Separate back splashes will need to be cut on site. See section 2 above for shaping instructions if needed.

Finish the installation using 100% silicone caulk for all seams between the vanity top and splashes.

To help clean up any excess silicone, have a bottle of rubbing alcohol and a roll of paper towels available.

If you use your finger to smooth the silicone bead, dampening your finger with the rubbing alcohol will help make a smooth bead and reduces smearing

