

Sinks of singular quality: Sometimes 1 basin is best

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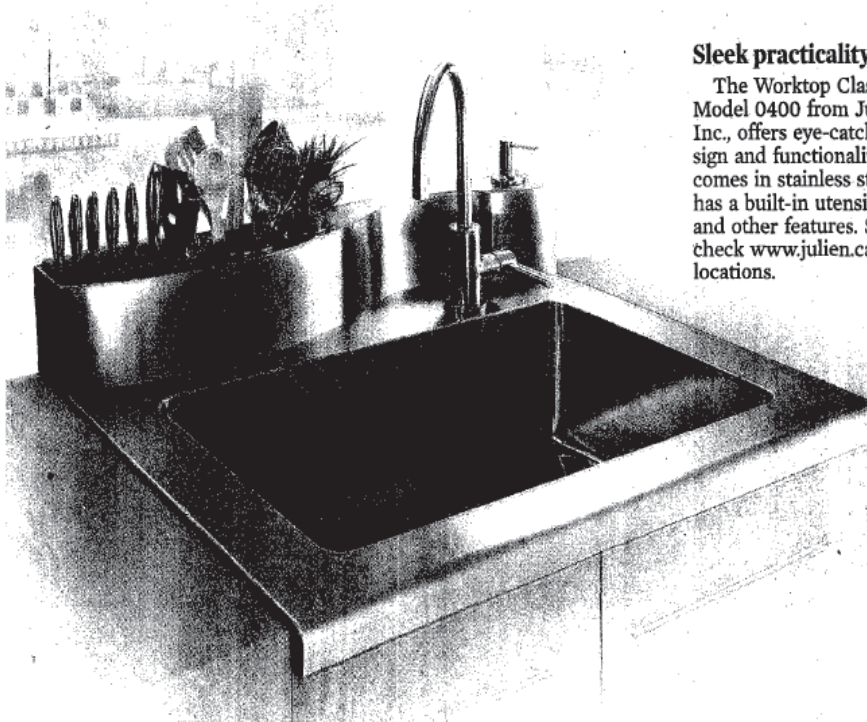
Dishwashing is a drag when your pots don't fit into your sink or dishwasher.

A single basin sink could be the solution.

These large sinks are a one-basin version of the more common two-basin sinks. Most fit into the same space as standard sinks and are wide enough for cookie sheets. But because they are 7 to 10 inches deep, it's much easier to wash big pots.

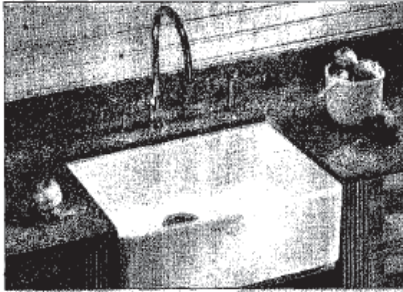
While handy, a solitary sink has a disadvantage: no separate sink to drain rinsed cookware while the second sink is still filled with dishwater. However, some single-basin sinks come with accessories, such as dish racks, utensil holders and shallow work spaces. These items, which may cost extra, are handy substitutes for a second sink.

Check out these single-basin sinks, which would look great in any kitchen:



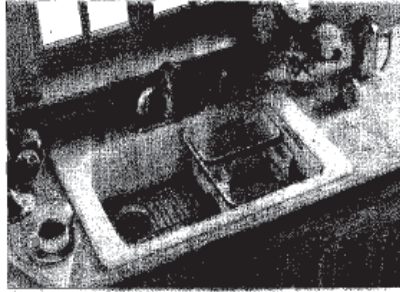
Sleek practicality

The Worktop Classic sink, Model 0400 from Julien Inc., offers eye-catching design and functionality. It comes in stainless steel and has a built-in utensil holder and other features. \$3,473; check www.julien.ca for locations.



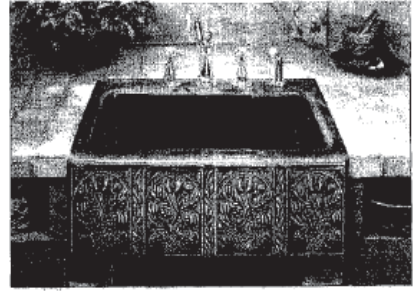
Farmhouse look

Farmhouse sinks, also called apron front sinks, bring a casual, inviting look to a kitchen. Franke's Fireclay Apron Front Sink, Model MHK110-28, is durable, deep and roomy. \$975. For dealers, visit www.frankeksd.com.



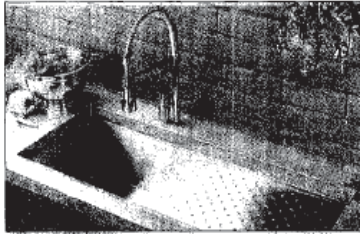
Touch of gloss

The Lakeland sink from American Standard has a glossy porcelain finish and a classy look. Choose from a dozen colors to match your decor. \$312 to \$434, depending on color. For dealers, visit www.americanstandard-us.com.



Decorative detailing

Stylized folk-art patterns lend a classic look to this farmhouse sink. Kohler's Savanoy design on Alcott tile-in kitchen sink. It's available in five colors, including copper verde, which is shown here. \$2,010 at various retailers; check www.kohler.com for locations.



Singular sophistication

Elkay's Avado undermount sink, Model EFU411510DB, has a geometric look, a handy work space and stainless-steel construction to match your appliances. It's also spacious at 43 by 18 inches. \$1,327 at various retailers; check www.elkayusa.com for locations.



Curved geometry

The Julien Vintage sink, Model 3500, offers a twist on the typical rectangular look of single-basin sinks. Made of stainless steel, it features a curved back. \$1,645; visit www.julien.ca for locations.

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