

Beaux-Arts Classic Products

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FOUNDATION VENT INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Beaux-Arts' new **Foundation Grilles** are made to fit into a 16" x 8" port, as commonly found in cinder block foundations. Most homes built in the last 40 year have standard cinder block foundations, even though they may have a brick or stone front. Our **Foundation Grilles** are easy to install by following these instructions.

FIRST: Unpack the grille and hardware making sure you received the complete list of items included with the Foundation Grille. Disassemble the Foundation Vent from the Base-Frame, by removing the four knurled knobs at the four corners of the vent. Remove the Foundation Vent from the Base-Frame and notice the stickers on the back of the grille and the front of the Base-Frame. The stickers indicate which Foundation Vent fits with which Base-Frame and which direction is UP. If you have purchased multiple grilles, be aware that each Foundation Vent is hand fitted to it's Base-Frame and may not fit properly in other random selected Base-Frames. Also understand that the stickers are located on the TOP of both the Vent and Base-Frame.. Also remove both the Fiberglass Mesh and the Plug Plate

Check to make sure these items are in the box

Additional Items You will need

- (1) tube, Adhesive Caulk & Gun
- (2) Level 24" inches or shorter
- (2) Long Clamps 12" or longer

Grilles and Plates Included

- (1) Foundation Vent
- (1) Base-Frame
- (1) Plug Plate, (1) Mesh

Hardware List

- (4) Brass Corner Studs (Pre-installed in Base-Frame)
- (4) Brass Knurled Knobs (2) 3/4 inch Stainless Steel Bolts
- (2) Continuation Nuts (2) 12 inch Threaded Rods
- (1) 18 inch Installation Bar (2) Wing Nuts (Thumb Screws)

Fiberglass Mesh
for Ventilation, also
Varmint and Bug Control

Hardware Package see list

Foundation Vent

SECOND: Insert the two 3/4" Stainless Steel Hex Head Bolts into the two countersunk holes in the front of the Base-Frame. Then insert and tighten the two Continuation Nuts to the two Stainless Steel Hex Head Bolts protruding through the back of the Base-Frame, tighten until snug. Next check to make sure the Base-Frame fits over the port in your foundation and that the Hex Head Bolt holes can be located inside the port in order to install with the long Threaded Rods included with the installation hardware. If they don't fit, any unnecessary mortar can be knock out with a chisel. If there are any outside obstructions, such as Keys or Siding, the Base-Frame can be trimmed down with a table saw if absolutely necessary.



Insert the two 3/4" bolts into the two countersunk holes on the front of Base-Frame.

Then place the two **Continuation Nuts** over bolt threads and tighten snug.





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THIRD VERY IMPORTANT: apply clear Adhesive Caulk (not included) to the back of the Base-Frame. The Adhesive Caulk will provide a water seal to prevent rain water from getting into your foundation plus will help secure the Base-Frame to the Foundation for years to come. Apply two thick continuous (1/4" to 3/8") beads all the way around the back of the Base-Frame about 1/2" and 1"from the outside. Adhesive Caulk (without silicone) is available at any Hardware store or Home Depot or Lowes

FOURTH: Line up the **Base-Frame** with your foundation port. Apply pressure on the **Base-Frame** into foundation until the bead of Adhesive Caulk is flattened out. Placer a short level on top of **Base-Frame**, then use two long clamps to hold the **Base-Frame** level and secure to the foundation. Adjust as needed to make sure **Base-Frame** is perfectly level.













FIFTH: locate the two Wing Nuts (Thumb Screws), two Threaded Rods, and Installation Bar. Hold the Installation Bar next to the two Countersunk Stainless Steel Hex Head Bolts to determine which holes to insert the Threaded Rods though. Loosely attach the two Wing Nuts (Thumb Screws) to the ends of the two Threaded Rods. Insert the combination of these five items (2 Wing Nuts on 2 Threaded Rods inserted through the Installation Bar) into the foundation port, so that the Installation Bar catches the back of the two cinderblocks on each side of the port. Now insert the Threaded Rods into the Continuation Nuts and rotate each until tight. Reach back to tighten the Wing Nuts on the back of the Threaded Rod until snug to complete the installation of the Base-Frame. Once the Installation Bar is secure and properly installed, re-check with the level just to make sure, after which the two long clamps can be removed. See pictures Above



FINALY: If installed in the winter months use the Plug Plate to block cold air from entering the foundation. If installed in any other season install the Fiberglass Mesh for ventilation purposes. In either case, complete the installation by re-placing the Foundation Vent Up-Right according to the sticker, and secure by snugging up the four Knurled Knobs.

