Installation

Post Caps
To attach each post cap style to the post, apply an exterior-grade silicone adhesive to the underside of the post cap and place firmly on the post (Figure 1).

Solar Post Caps
*Important: All solar panels within post caps and lights need 24 hours of direct sunlight to fully charge.*
To activate your new solar post cap:

**Step 1** Access the inside of the solar light by pressing inward on the side of the clear lens, grasping the edge of the top and lifting it off (Figure 2), or grasping the top and twisting counterclockwise.

**Step 2** Remove the plastic tab from the battery compartment to allow connection to the terminal. Ensure battery is firmly in place.

**Step 3** Replace top by snapping onto side panels or twist the top counterclockwise into place.

**Step 4** Your solar post cap light is now ready to be attached to your post (Figure 1).

Batteries are included with solar post caps but may not be installed. Ensure batteries are seated firmly in place when installed.

Solar Post Caps with Removable Solar Collector Unit
To activate:

**Step 1** Remove the solar panel by lifting it straight up from the top of the cap (Figure 3).

**Step 2** Remove the plastic tab from the battery compartment to allow connection to the terminal. Ensure battery is firmly in place (remove: switch is in “on” position - there is no on/off switch).

**Step 3** Replace the solar panel.

**Step 4** Your solar post cap light is now ready to be attached to your post (Figure 1).

Concealed Solar Post Caps
**Step 1** Access the inside of the solar light by grasping the top of the lens and twisting counterclockwise.

**Step 2** Grasp the internal solar collector unit, twist counterclockwise and lift up to access the battery compartment.

**Step 3** Remove the plastic tab from the battery compartment to allow connection to the terminal. Ensure battery is firmly in place.

**Step 4** Nouveau Concealed solar post caps come with a wood screw which can be used to attach the cap to the top of the wood post. Attach the cap to the wood post before replacing the solar panel battery compartment.

**Step 5** Replace the solar panel battery compartment by twisting clockwise.

**Step 6** Replace the lens by twisting clockwise into place.

Post and Stair Lights
**Step 1** Slide plastic lens back to separate from top portion.

**Step 2** Open battery compartment.

**Step 3** Remove the plastic tab from the battery compartment to allow connection to the terminal.

**Step 4** Ensure battery is firmly in place.

**Step 5** Attach bracket to post using screws included in package.

**Step 6** Slide the Post and Stair Light onto the bracket.
Post Cap Care and Maintenance

Metal Post Caps
Our copper and stainless steel post caps come with a thin, clear marine lacquer designed to protect them before and during installation. Once exposed to the elements, the sun’s ultraviolet rays, moisture and pollution begin to break down this coating, exposing the metal underneath.

Copper
• In its natural state, copper breaks down in the elements and develops a patina. In general, copper progresses from a natural salmon color to a series of russet browns and grays, and finally to a blue-green or gray-green patina.
• To maintain the shiny look, apply a car wax immediately after purchasing the cap and reapply every 3 to 6 months.
• To remove an already tarnished finish, remove the old coating with mineral spirits and grade 0000 steel wool. Buff with grade 0000 steel wool for a satin finish. For a mirror-like finish, apply a car wax or spray with a clear lacquer or polyurethane and let dry, and then apply a car wax.
• To encourage a natural patina, remove the lacquer with mineral spirits and grade 0000 steel wool.

Stainless Steel
Stainless steel has a hard oxide coating, making it resistant to stains. To maintain this coating, clean periodically with a mixture of vinegar and club soda.

Black and White Post Caps
Our black and white post caps have a powder coated baked on finish that is extremely hard and durable, rarely requiring maintenance.

Wood Post Caps
As with all wood products, we recommend that you coat these with a high-quality exterior finish to preserve the wood’s natural beauty and ensure a lifetime of enjoyment. Apply to all wood areas, including the underside of the cap, before installation.

Glass Post Caps
Exposure to the elements may cause the filigreed metal on your glass post cap to oxidize and lose its original color. Applying car wax before placing the post cap outdoors will help prevent the initial oxidation. Reapply the car wax every 3 to 6 months as needed.

Note: If your post cap has a wood base, apply a high quality exterior finish to all wood areas before installation. We recommend reapplying the finish annually to preserve the wood’s natural beauty and protect it from the elements.