



Tombstone Gun Grips

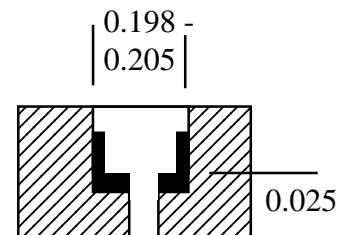
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Grip Screw Kits

Tombstone offers special grip screw kits for a wide variety of handguns. The No.4 kit uses a 4-40 thread, 1.5 inch long stainless steel, fillister head screw with brass ferrule and press-in nut. This kit works well with all modern and classic S&W revolvers, Colt revolvers, and other guns which use a single through-the-frame grip mounting.

The No.2 kit uses a 2-56, 1.0 inch long stainless steel, fillister head screw with brass ferrule and press-in nut. The brass fittings are short enough to fit well in thin pocket auto grips. The No.2 kit also works well with 22 and 25 pocket pistols such as the Baby Browning or the Colt 1908 model, and with .32 and .380 pocket pistols such as the Colt 1903 and Browning 1910, 1955, and 1922 models.

Both kits use a .198 to .205 inch diameter hole for the press fit nut and ferrule. Leave at least 0.025 inches of grip material in the mounting hole to prevent pulling through the grip when the screw is tightened. Installation instructions come with the kits, which are available with individual screw / ferrule/nut combinations or in packs of five sets of one size.



How to cut off the screw to proper length for your grip:

Assemble the finished grips on your gun, using the screw you wish to cut to length. Measure how much of the screw projects beyond the brass nut. A toothpick held along the projecting screw tip can be marked with a sharp pencil at the end of the screw. Remove the screw, and hold the toothpick at the threaded end of the screw to measure how much to snip off. Mark the screw with a marker pen or wrap a piece of tape precisely around the portion to be cut off.

To avoid losing the cut-off screw, first push it through a good sized piece of cardboard or tape the head portion to a large piece of scrap paper. This will make it easy to find the cut-off screw if it tries to flip away on the final cut. You don't want to hold the screw by the threads you will be using, only by the part you intend to cut off and discard.

Clamp the screw by its threaded tip (the portion to be cut off) in a vise. Use a fine-blade (42+ teeth/inch) saw or a thin bonded abrasive cut-off wheel in a Dremel or Moto-tool to cut through the screw. Leave at least one extra thread beyond what you actually need. This will allow you to sand or file the tip to remove any thread damage and produce a "lead in" angle on the screw tip.

File, sand, or grind the tip of the screw with a fine abrasive wheel, sanding belt, sandpaper wrapped around a flat stick, or a fingernail sanding stick, to remove the damaged last thread. Apply a gentle bevel at the screw end. Your screw should now fit easily by hand into the brass nut and only project slightly from it with the grips secured.