# COPPER ROOFING fact sheet

America's oldest copper roof, on Olde Christ Church in Philadelphia, was installed in 1872. In Europe, the copper cornice encircling the dome at the Pantheon in Rome lasted a staggering 1,800 years!



# SIX REASONS copper is the RIGHT MATERIAL for your job

#### 1. DISTINCTION

Copper is the ultimate material for making a roof and building stand out

#### 3. PERFORMANCE

Copper roofs are one of the lightest roofing materials, yet also extremely solid

#### 5. VARIETY

Copper roofing is available in a range of profile options to suit any project

#### 2. LONGEVITY

Copper roofs will last hundreds of years in most environments

#### 4. ECO-FRIENDLINESS

Copper roofs are extremely recyclable and rarely, if ever, end up in landfills

#### 6. LOW MAINTENANCE

Copper roof life cycle costs are usually quite low, because upkeep is virtually nonexistent

### did you KNOW?

One of the only elements that didn't require major repair or replacement on the Statue of Liberty during its centennial renovation was the copper skin - despite 100 years of relentless exposure to sun, wind and salt.



## going GREEN

Part of the charm of a copper roof is the natural patina it develops. While a new copper roof usually has the salmon color of a shiny penny, it will soon react to its environment and begin oxidizing. Each roof develops its own unique color, which is directly related to location and weather. During the first few months, a copper roof will darken and develop a grayish-brown tone before progressing to the distinctive blue-green and turquoise. Without accelerating this process, it can take 20 years or more in dry climates for this patina to develop. There are, however, solutions of mild acids and other chemicals that can be applied by a skilled applicator to immediately replicate this coveted appearance.

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### why choose MRN to supply your copper?

Because we specialize in copper, we have a thorough understanding of its properties and we know how to specify the appropriate gauge and profile.

We maintain an extensive network of copper roof contractors, and **we know the right installers** for different copper projects.

We have experience with a range of custom treatments for copper roofs, which lets us handle any number of customer requests. We know how to achieve an accelerated patina so your new copper roof can look distinguished and established upon installation.

#### other resources

Get more information about copper roofing from Metal Roof Network at www.metalroofnet.com or call 775.737.9169 today

Check out our metal & copper roofing blog, accessible from our website, for pictures, videos, useful commentary and more

Get all of your questions about your copper roof project answered - talk to our resident roof expert today! Just follow the link from our Why Metal page www.metalroofnet.com/why-metal





## the BOTTOM line

Copper roofing is a premium roof material and its price certainly reflects it. But while the upfront costs are higher than other roof materials, life-cycle costs are lower. That's because properly-installed copper roofs are virtually maintenance free. Add to that the other myriad of benefits, and you can see why copper is the ultimate roof material.

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