Measuring Guide for Natural Drapes

Choose a Mount Type: Inside Mount or Outside Mount
(See next page if you need help deciding which mount is best for your windows.)

Inside Mount Window treatments are installed completely inside the window casing.

1. **Measure Depth**: See the chart on next page to determine if window casing has enough depth for an inside mount window treatment.
2. **Measure Width**: Measure the inside width of window casing from one inside edge to the other at the top of the window. Record measurement.
3. **Measure Height**: Measure the inside height from the top of the window casing in three places. Record shortest measurement.

   **Note**: Do not take any deductions for clearance. The manufacturer will take \( \frac{1}{2} " \) deduction off the overall width for a perfect fit.

Outside Mount Window treatments are installed outside the window casing. Mount directly to wall or molding.

1. **Measure Width**: Measure width to be covered. We recommend 3" overlap on each side (6" total) for optimum light control and privacy. Record measurement. If you want the entire window uncovered when the shade is fully open, you may need to add more than 3" to the width. For example:
   - Left or right stack, wand control—add 3" to the stack side and 9" to the other side.
2. **Determine Headrail Location**: Determine if the headrail will be on the molding or above and mark the spot.
3. **Measure Height**: Measure height to be covered from top of headrail location to top of sill or lower if overlap is desired for light control and privacy. Record measurement. If drape extends to the floor (e.g., to cover a patio door), measure height as described above, and deduct at least \( \frac{1}{2} " \) for clearance in order for the fabric to clear the floor.

   **Note**: The manufacturer makes NO deductions on outside mount installations.
Mounting Considerations

Reasons for Choosing Inside Mount

Clean Look
• Inside mount treatments are installed inside the window casing, showcasing attractive window molding.
• The window opening frames the treatment for a finished, clean appearance.

Allows Sill Space on Deep Windows
• In some deep-set windows, the window treatment can be installed to allow plants or other items to be placed in front of the window treatment on the sill.

Limitations of Inside Mount

Light Gaps
• A small deduction in the width and/or length is taken at the manufacturer to allow for proper operating clearance. This may cause a small gap on each side of the treatment, affecting the treatment’s ability to darken and insulate a room.

Obstructed View
• The stack (compressed portion of the window treatment when fully opened) will obstruct part of the view from the window. The amount of stack varies by product.

Architectural Obstacles
• Obstacles, such as handles and cranks, can interfere with the operation of inside mount treatments.

Reasons for Choosing Outside Mount

Improve Privacy and Light Control
• Light gaps on the side of the window treatment can be substantially diminished or eliminated.

Fewer Installation Limitations
• Outside mount window treatments are ideal for covering nonsquare windows.
• Outside mount window treatments can be configured so the drape stack is to the side of the window opening, preventing the stack from obstructing light or view when fully opened.

Architectural Obstacles
• Outside mount window treatments can clear obstacles like handles and cranks.

Enlarge the Look of a Small Window
• Enlarge the look of a small window by increasing overlap above and below the window.

Hide Window Trim
• Outside mount treatments can easily hide unattractive window trim.

Limitation of Outside Mount

Required Surface Above Window Frame
• Outside mount brackets require at least 2" of flat surface above your window or on the window frame for mounting brackets; projection brackets can be ordered to clear frame or molding.

Inside Mount Window Casing Minimum Depth Requirements

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Minimum Depth Mount (inches)

Valance Flush with Casing (inches)

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### Measuring and Ordering Worksheet

**Window #1**

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Width of window casing: ____________

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For Outside Mount
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**Ordering**

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Color Number: ____________

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