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MEASURING GUIDE ROMAN BLINDS



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FOR FITTING A ROMAN BLIND INSIDE THE WINDOW RECESS

1. Measuring the blind width

Measure the width of the window recess. We recommend you take a top, centre and bottom measurement as shown in the diagram below, and work off the narrowest measurement. We recommend subtracting 1cm from this measurement to ensure the blind fabric doesn't catch on the sides of the window recess when raising and lowering the blind. This will however create a very small light gap down the sides of the blind. The 1cm deduction is subject to personal preference, but please note the fabric may rub on the side walls if the deduction isn't made.

The Home Of Interiors tip: if you have tiles or a skirting board where the blind will be fitted please measure in between the narrowest point and make the 1cm deduction from this to ensure the blind fabric doesn't rub on the tiles or skirting board.

2. Measuring the finished length

Measure the length from the top of the window recess to the sill. We recommend you take a left, centre and right measurement and if the measurements vary by up to 1cm we recommend you work with the shortest measurement to ensure the blind fabric sits flat when the blind is lowered. If the measurements vary by more than 1cm, it will be down to personal preference with regards to the measurement you supply for the finished length of the blind. If you go with the shortest measurement the blind may touch the sill on the shortest side.

The Home Of Interiors tip: please check the recess is deep enough to accommodate the blind, making allowances for any obstructions such as window or door handles. A roman blind will measure 4.5cm from the back of the bracket to the front of the blind fabric.



FOR FITTING A ROMAN BLIND OUTSIDE THE WINDOW RECESS

1. Measuring the blind width

Measure the width of the window recess and decide how much you want the blind to overhang each side of the window. Adding on 5-10cm either side is common. You may wish to line the blind up with the edges of the windowsill if the windowsill is wider than the window.

2. Measuring the finished length

To measure the length of the blind, decide on your preferred blind position. We recommend the blind is positioned at least 10cm above the window recess. The finished length of the blind is down to personal preference. Please note that for wall fixing, when the brackets have been installed the blind fabric will sit 4.5cm away from the wall. If the depth of your windowsill is greater than 4.5cm from the wall the blind will need to lower to the windowsill, so measure from the top of the blind position to the sill. If you would prefer the blind fabric to lower below the windowsill it is common to measure from the top of the blind position to 5-10cm below the windowsill, but this is down to personal preference, the proportion of the window and whether there are any obstructions below the window such as a radiator.



FOR BLACKOUT BLINDS

A roman blind positioned inside the window recess will reduce light ingress into the room, however there will still be a light gap down the sides. For blackout roman blinds positioned outside the window recess, we recommend you add on at least 10cm either side of the window recess, however due to the bracket projection, please note there will be light ingress around the sides and bottom of the blind.

Please note complete blackout cannot be achieved with a roman blind. Layering a roman blind with curtains or a roller blind will help to further reduce any light ingress into the room.