

How to measure for your new made-to-measure blind

What you'll need

Measure for your blind in just a few steps. You'll need:

- A tape measure – metal ones are best
- A pencil and paper – or download our handy template

When you measure

- You can measure for your blind in centimetres or inches. Measure to the nearest millimetre if you're using centimetres. Measure to the nearest sixteenth of an inch if you're using inches.
- **Whatever type of blind you're measuring for, follow our instructions precisely and don't make any adjustments for fittings and headrails.**
- Look out for the position of window handles and tiles.
- If you're measuring for Roller blinds, make sure you refer to the roller blinds important additional information further down these instructions.
- Follow our special instructions for [Skylight window blinds](#), [Perfect Fit blinds](#) and [replacement louvres](#)

Decide where you want your blind to hang

How you measure depends on where you want your blind to go. It can hang:

- On the inside of your window (this is called the **recess**).
- On the outside your window (this is called an **exact** fitting).

All our blinds can be fitted into the front of your window frame or wall, or into the top lintel.

Simply click on the links below to view instructions.

[Measure for a blind that hangs inside the window](#)

[Measure for a blind that hangs outside the window](#)

[Instructions for skylight window blinds](#)

[Instructions for replacement louvres](#)

Measure for a blind that hangs inside the window (the recess)

Use these instructions to measure for all types of blinds except [Skylight blinds](#) and [replacement louvres](#)

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- If you're measuring for Roller blinds, make sure you refer to the Roller blinds important additional information further down these instructions.

Step 1

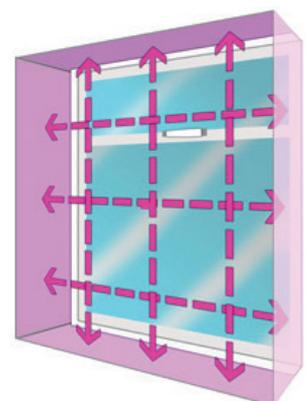
Measure the width of the inside of the window from wall to wall in the 3 places shown below. Write down the **shortest** measurement.

Step 2

Measure for the length of your blind in the 3 places shown below. The **length** (also called the **drop**) is the **measurement from the top of the inside of the window to the window sill**. Write down the **shortest** measurement.

Step 3

Save the shortest measurements in [My Web-Blinds](#) for reference or [shop for blinds now](#)



All recess blinds are reduced by our factory to take into account the size of the headrail and components to ensure perfect fit. Please do not make any adjustments to your measurements we do this for you. Below is a guide of the reductions we will make when we receive your order.

- Vertical blinds: We reduce the width of your order by approximately 1cm and 5cm off your louvres
- Venetian blinds: approximately 1cm
- Wood Venetian blinds: 2cm off the head rail width and 1cm for the width of your slats
- Roller blinds: approximately 1cm from the drop and 3.7cm (Recess) or 3.2cm (Exact) from the width of the actual fabric
- Roman blinds: approximately 1cm and 4mm off the drop
- Pleated blinds: approximately 1cm

Measure for a blind that hangs outside the window

Use these instructions to measure for all types of blinds except for [Skylight blinds](#), [Perfect Fit blinds](#) and [replacement louvres](#)

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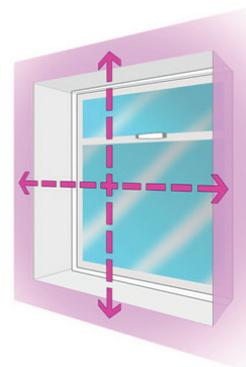
Decide how far you want your blind to extend beyond the left and right of your window, then measure the distance between these two points. Write down this measurement.

Step 2

Decide exactly how high up you want your blind to start and measure down to exactly where you want it to finish. This may be to the floor or to a window sill. This measurement is called the drop. Write down this measurement.

Step 3

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Skylight window blinds

You don't need to measure for skylight window blinds. Just write down the reference number and match it up using the drop down menu that appears once you've chosen your fabric.

Where to find your reference number

Your reference number is on the top sash of your window. You'll need to open your window to find it. An example is shown below.



The window type is the first 3 letters (for example, GGL, GHL or GPL)

The window size is the following 1-3 letters and numbers (for example, S06, 606 or 4)

[Shop for skylight window blinds](#)

Replacing your louvres

Just measure the length of one of your current louvres (this is the **drop**). Make sure the measurement is exact. We supply standard 89mm and 127mm width louvres.

[Shop for replacement louvres](#)

Additional information

Important note for measuring Roller blinds

For Roller blinds, we have to allow for fittings at either end of the blind, as there is no headrail. This means the actual fabric is approximately 3.2cm less for an exact measurement and 3.7cm less for a recess measurement.

Important note for measuring Vertical blinds

When measuring the drop of a Vertical blind, measure down to the window sill. We'll deduct 1cm to make sure your louvres run smoothly along your sill.

Questions about measuring?

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