

# PATS TEXTILES

## Measuring Guide

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Guide for measuring curtains, blinds, tracks & poles

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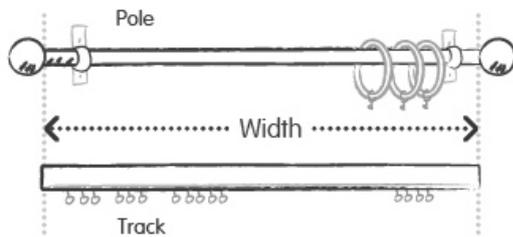
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You need the following for all measures;

- Pen & Paper
- Metal measuring tape

## Guide for measuring curtains

### 1. Measure Width



If you have a pole, measure the distance between the finials (the decorative baubles at the end of a pole).

If you have a track, measure the total width of the track.

### 2. Measuring Curtain Drop

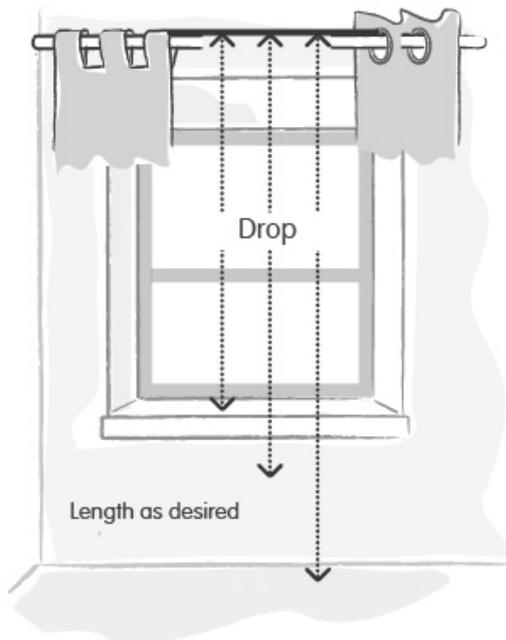
Before you start, you have to decide where you want your curtains to finish.

For floor-length curtains, we suggest curtains 1 to 1.5cm shorter than floor-length. If your floors are uneven, make sure you measure each side of the window and choose the shortest measurement.

If you require sitting onto the floor or in a puddle add extra that you want.

For sill length curtains, we suggest either 15cm below the sill or 1cm above it.

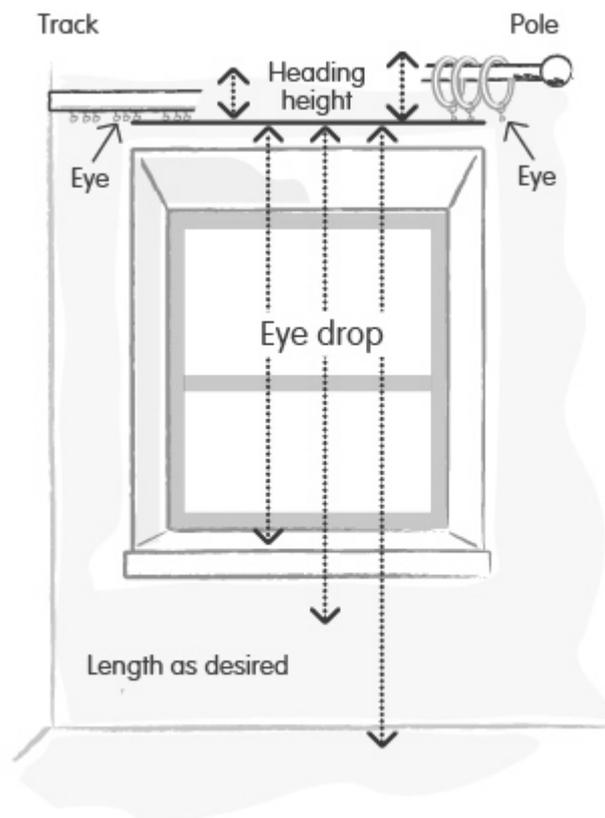
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## Measuring Drop for Tab Top and Eyelet

For tab top or eyelet curtains, measure the drop from the top of your pole to where you want your curtain to finish. (Please note: tab top and eyelet headed curtains cannot be fitted to a track.)

Don't forget on eyelet curtains there is normally a stand up of approx. 1.5 cm varies from different suppliers



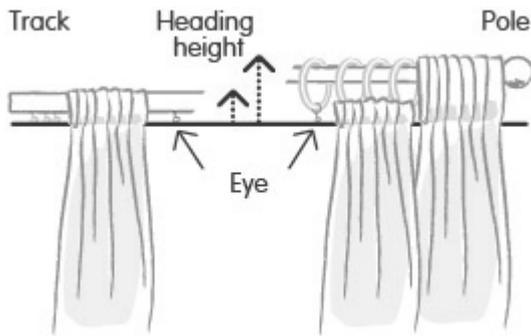
## Measuring Curtain Drop For Taped and Pleated Headings (all except Tab Top & Eyelet)

The total drop for pleated headings is measured in 2 parts – the eye drop and the heading height.

### Part 1. Eye Drop

This is the distance from the eye (where the curtain hook attaches) to where you want your curtain to finish.

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## Part 2. Heading Height

The heading height is the distance from the eye to where you want the top of your curtain to be.

For tracks, we suggest a heading height just above the top of your track so that it is not visible above the top of the curtain.

For poles, we suggest a heading height from 2cm above the eye to just above your curtain pole according to your own taste. Curtains will hang best with a smaller heading height.

Please note: Pinch pleat heading always hangs below the pole.

## Guide for measuring roman blinds

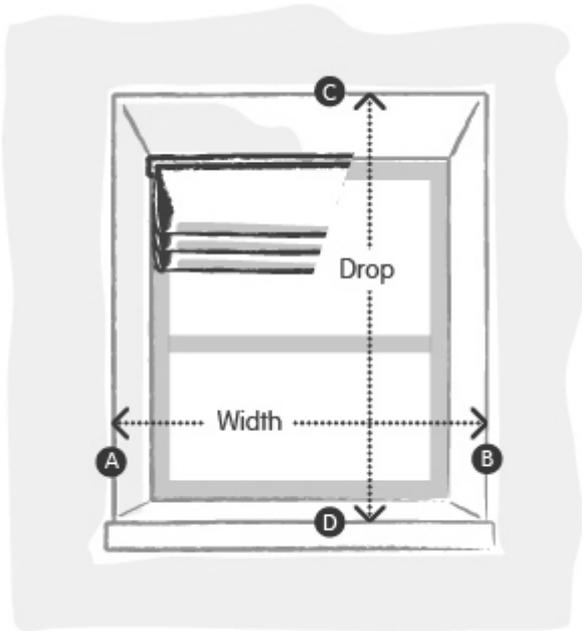
Measurements should be in cm to the nearest 0.5cm. **Please double-check your measurements. We recommend a side winder mechanism for blinds but this can also be done on a batten with cord and cleat hook.**

### Measuring for Roman blinds in a bay window:

- Remember that your roman blind will protrude from the surface dependant on what system it is on.
- Where the angles of the window meet you must allow for the headrails to protrude - so don't measure all the way into the corner. Get a helper to hold a ruler or tape protruding 2.5-5cm and measure up to this point and deduct 1cm.
- Remember that centre blind will have a headrail on both sides so deduct 1cm from each side for this blind.
- Think about where your strings/controls will hang. If you have four blinds you may want two to operate on the left hand side and two on the right hand side.
- We recommend having sidewinder operated blinds in bay windows because there are no cleats and strings to worry about.

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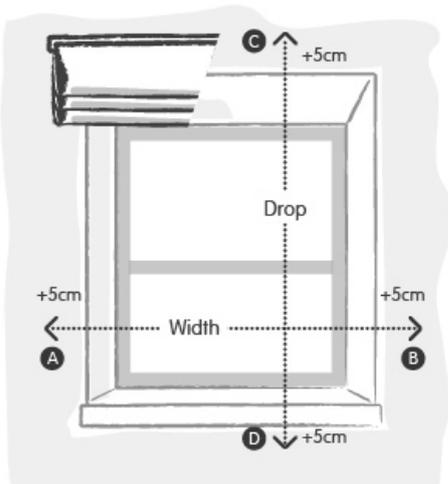
The three scenarios for measuring blinds are:



## 1. Inside Recess

1. Measure width A-B at the narrowest point in 2 or 3 places so your blind can hang freely
2. Measure Drop C-D as above
3. Note which side you would like the cord – right or left

Where possible fix to the ceiling 6cm in front of the window. This will allow the blind folds to fold up neatly behind.



## 2. Outside Recess

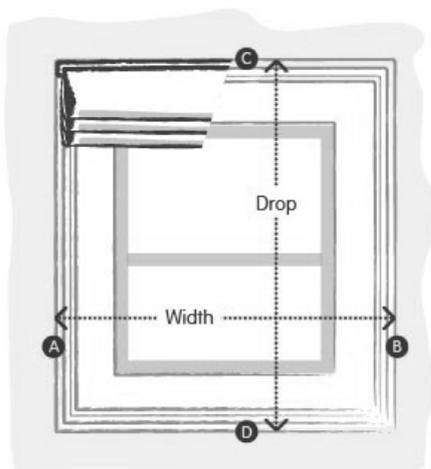
First check for obstructions that might stop your blind hanging freely and then decide on the amount of fabric to overlap the top and sides of the window recess. We recommend at least 5cm for width each side, 10cm above the window and 5cm extra

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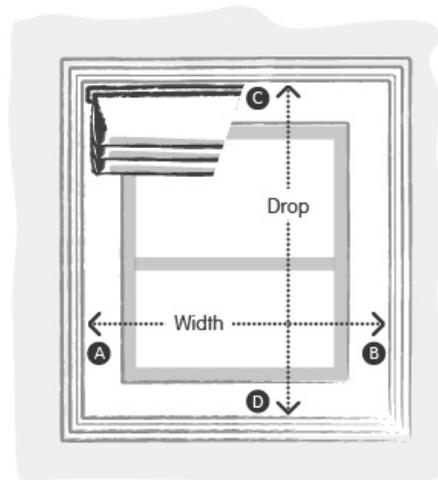
below.

1. Measure the width you decide on, A-B
2. Measure the drop you decide on, C-D
3. Note which side you would like the cord – right or left

Where possible fix to the ceiling. This will allow the blind folds to fold up neatly behind.



Outside Edge of Architrave



Inside Edge of Architrave

### 3. Fixed To Window Architrave (Frame)

First, decide whether you want your roman blind to hang on the outside or inside edge of the window architrave.

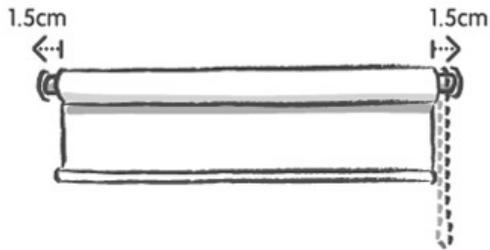
1. Measure the width A-B
2. Measure drop C-D
3. Note which side you would like the cord - right or left

## Guide for measuring Roller blinds

Measurements should be in cm to the nearest 0.5cm.

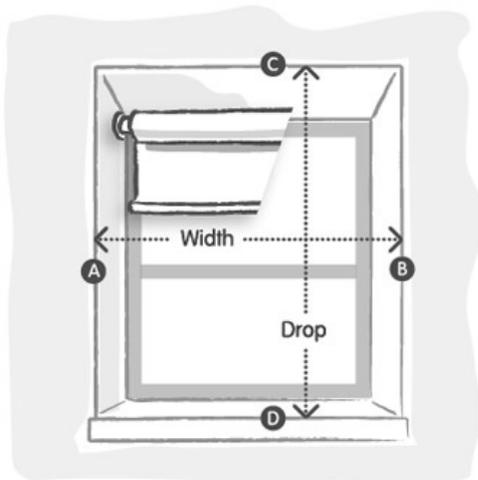
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Please double-check your measurements.



Note there is a gap of about 1.5cm from the edge of the fabric to the ends of the mechanism.

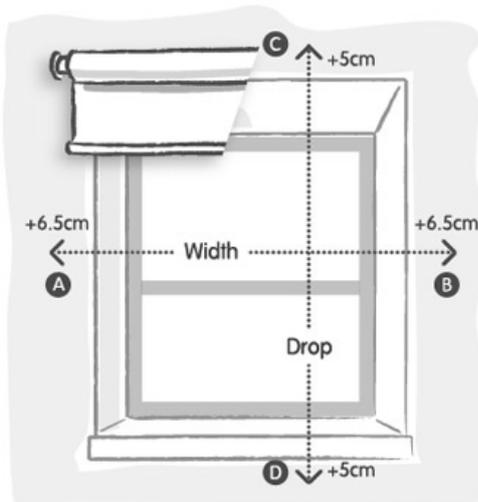
The three scenarios for measuring roller blinds are:



## 1. Inside Recess

Make sure that the recess is at least 6cm deep. Otherwise the blind will protrude beyond the recess.

1. You need to measure width A-B. We need this measurement in full; do not reduce if there will be a gap of about 1.5cm between the fabric and the recess wall which will allow some light through, even with a blackout lining.
2. Measure drop C-D
3. Note which side you would like the chain – right or left

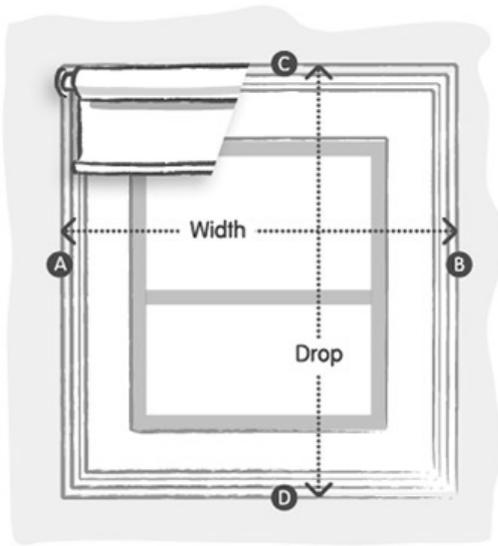


## 2. Outside Recess

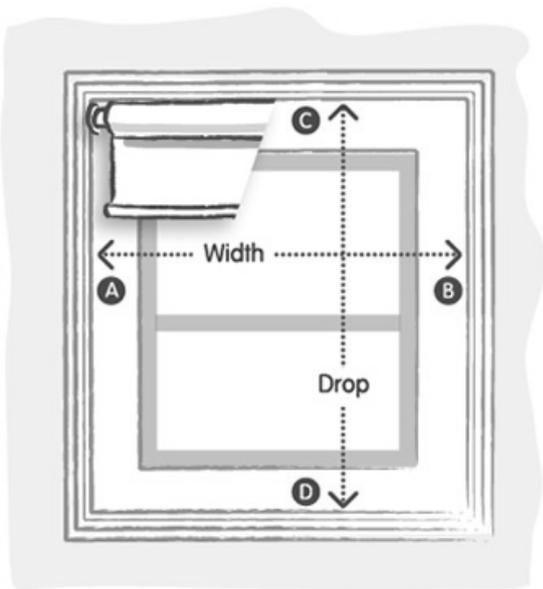
Decide on the amount of fabric to overlap the top and sides of the window recess. We recommend at least 10cm for the top and 6.5cm for the sides to minimise light leakage when using a blackout lining.

1. Measure the width A-B
2. Measure the drop C-D
3. Note which side you would like the chain – right or left

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Outside edge of architrave



Inside edge of architrave

## 3. Fixed to Window Architrave (Frame)

First, decide whether you want your roller blind to hang on the outside or inside of the window architrave.

1. Measure the width A-B
2. Measure the drop C-D
3. Decide which side you would like the chain – right or left

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## Pole and Track Measuring

To work out the width of the pole or track, you need to take into account the space needed for the curtains to be drawn back either side of the window. If you do not allow for enough space, your curtains will partly block the window as they are drawn. As a general rule, we suggest the length of your pole/track is the width of the window frame or window recess plus 15cm to 20cm on either side (depending on how far you would like curtains to clear your window.) Add extra as you require.

All pole measurements are that of the pole only, so always check that there is space at the end of the pole for the finial (the decorative bit).

If you are unsure of the pole/track width to choose, then choose the longer size.

