

1000 Decorating Ideas for Windows, Bedding and Accessories

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## The Encyclopedia of WINDOW FASHIIONS



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This book is lovingly
dedicated to my wife
Elizabeth Suzanne Randall

- Queen of Hearts


## Introduction

${ }^{6}$ he eyes are the windows of the soul" is an often quoted poetic expression of less than perfection-poetic or otherwise. To help you achieve your own perfect window treatment is the goal of the Encyclopedia of Window Fashions.

Is one picture worth a thousand words? Graphics have always stimulated the creation and communication of ideas. The uniqueness-and success-of the Encyclopedia of Window Fashions lies in combining the presentation of 1000 illustrations with a truly encyclopedic display of window treatments. Fifteen years and one million copies later, this original publication remains the best organized, most effective design aid available. If your profession is interior design, this new, expanded edition belongs in your library, on your work table and with you in the field.

Visual definitions of a particular window treatment are immediately effective communication tools. When accompanied by specific yardage requirements, by glossary-supplied performance summaries of fabric properties and appearance and by alternative approaches to creating a desired effect, you have all the information necessary to work with your client. Whether a budget is lavish or modest, the Encyclopedia of Window Fashions offers the optimum number of choices in an individual design situation.

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## Historical Windows



Styles overlapped in the market due to new styles appearing at the end of one period while older styles continued to appear at the lower end of the markets. Transitional forms of style may appear in the higher end of the market because newer more technically advanced features are always being added onto the already existing older styles. Styling preferences varied both in different regions and social groups. One example would be the Regency Period, where its style was still fashionable for over half a century in the north, while it had gone out of style over half a century ago during its popularity.


Italian and French Renaissance
1400-1649








Victorian
1837-1920


Victorian
1837-1920


Pointed Valance with Swags over Pleated Draperies


Goblet Pleated Valance with Tassels on Dec. Rod


Tab Draperies with Tear Drop Valance on Dec. Rod




Draperies on Dec. Rod over Cloud Shade $\qquad$


Arched Ruffled Sunburst and Tie-backs over Caf Curtains


Tent Draperies over Caf Curtains


Gathered Draperies Pulled
Back to Show Lining


Handkerchief Valance over Asymmetric Tie-back


Tent Pleated Draperies over Caf Curtains


Draperies Folded and Gathered over Sheers


Rod Pocket Draperies under Knotted Scarf Swag


Arched Pleated Draperies


Gathered Draperies over Swag


Arched Swags over Arched Pleated Draperies


Arched Bishop Sleeve


Arched Knotted Swag Drapery


Arched Rod Pocket Drapery


Arched Drapery


Gathered Drapery over Austrian Shade



Tab Draperies under Swag


Rod Pocket Draperies with Banding


Rod Pocket Draperies over Cafe Curtain


Pleated Drapery on Dec. Rod with Tassels and Rope


Double Rod Pocket Drapery Tied Back


Rod Pocket Drapery over Sheer with Tab Valance


Tab Draperies on Dec. Rod


Tab Draperies on Dec. Rod with Sconces


Tab Draperies on Dec. Rod with Holdbacks


Tab Draperies on Dec. Rod with Holdback


Double Tab Draperies on Dec. Rod with Holdbacks


Arched Bishop Sleeve Draperies over Balloon Shade



Tabbed Draperies with Valance on Dec. Rod


Gathered Draperies with Sleeve on Dec. Rod


Draperies on Dec. Rod with Special Swag Effect


Draperies on Dec. Rod


Gathered Valance over Bishop Sleeve Draperies with Cafe Curtain


Gathered Valance over Tie-backs


Single Swag over Draperies and Cafe Curtain


Gathered Valance over Draperies


Gathered Valance over Tie-backs


Gathered Valance with Draperies Pulled Back


Gathered and Swagged Valance over Tie-backs


Double Arched Valance over Tie-backs and Cloud Shade


Pleated Arched Valance over Tie-backs and Sheer Balloon


Double Gathered Valance with Brass Rod in Middle over Blind


Gathered Top Arched Valance over Bow Tie-backs


Tabbed Drapery with Bows and Tie-back Holder


Tabbed Drapery Tied Back on One Side


Pleated Tie-back Draperies on Dec. Rod

Pleated Draperies Tied Back


Rod Pocket Drapery with Tie-backs


Rod Pocket Drapery with Center Sleeve and Tie-backs



Arched Valance with Ruffle and Ruffled Tie-backs over Cafe Curtains


Rod Pocket Drapery with Banding


Tie-back Draperies with Balloon Valance


Tie-backs with Ruffle at Top, Sheers under


Flat Rod Pocket Drapery Tied Back


Rod Pocket Drapery over Rod Top and Bottom Cafe



Rod Top and Bottom Valance with Matching Tie-bands and Mini Blind


Flat Rod Pocket Drapery over Rod Pocket Cafe


Flat Rod Pocket Panels with Stand-up Top


Kingston Valance over Tied-back Draperies and Sheers


Banded Stationary Bishop s Sleeve over Mini Blind


Rod Pocket Drapery over Sheers


Stationary Drapery on Covered Rod with 3" Stand-up Top


Tied-back Stationary Draperies on Dec. Pole with Sleeve in Middle


Bow-tied Bishop Sleeve Draperies Gathered on Dec. Rod


Rod Top Draperies on Dec. Pole


Stationary Rod Top Draperies on Dec. Pole, Sleeve in Middle


Cluster Pleated Valance on Dec. Rod with Pleated Draperies over Roman Shade


French Pleated Draperies on Dec. Rod over Balloon Shade


Tab Draperies on Dec. Rod over Cafe Curtain


Arched French Pleated Valance and Tie-backs


Rod Pocket Cloud Valance Tie-back Draperies over Sheers


Multiple Arched Valance over Draperies and Sheers



Rod Top Draperies with Center Florence and Low Tie-backs over Mini Blind


Draperies Gathered on Dec. Pole over Austrian Shade


Rod Top Draperies with Multiple Bow Ties over Roman Shade


Pleated Tie-back Draperies


Tie-back Draperies with Austrian Valance and Shade


Space Pleated Queen Ann Valance with Scalloped Edge over Tie-backs and Sheers


Multiple Tie-backs over Cafe Curtains



Rod Top Only Balloon Draperies


Double Rod Top Valance with Puffed Tie-backs over Sheers


End-pleated Valance with Puffed Tie-backs over Lace Curtain

## Custom Made Draperies

## Standard Workmanship and Quality Features

## - Double Heading

- 4" Permanent Buckram Headings
- Pleating custom tacked with extra thread
- All seams serged and overlocked
- All draperies perfectly matched
- All draperies table sized
- Blind suitched bottom and side hems
- Double $4^{*}$ botion hems $+1 / 2^{*}$ Doüble side hema
- All draperier weighted at corner and seams
- Multiple width draperies are pleated so that joining scams are hidelen behind pleats.


## Made to Custom Measurements

To any exact widith or length.
Pleated to any desired fulliness up to 3 to I .
Lined of unlined.

## Drapery Terminology

- Width is ane strip of material (can be any length) which can be pleated toa finished dimession across the TOP of between $16^{\circ}$ and $24^{\circ}$. Usiag a $48^{*}$ wide material as our base, a width of which finishes to $24^{\circ}$ is consudered double fulliness or 2 to 1 ; 16 " linsshed width is consudered triple fullness or 3 to I. Any number of widths an be joined together to make the draperies properly covet the window area
- Panel is a single unii of drapery of one or more widths, wbich is ased specifically fot ose way draw - stack left or stack right - and/ar stationary units.
- Part is iwo equal panels which are pleased to cover a denired аге
- Return is the measurement from the rod to the wall, in other nords the projection.
- Overlap is the measurement, when draperies arefully closed, of thaving the right panel overlap theleft pancl. Thisis usually $f^{\prime}$ for tack panel. Remember your customer must add /? to the rod measurement to insure proper featurs and overlaps.


## Options Available on Draperies

[^0]Pleat Spacing

Pleat spacengs vary aecanding to the widths of material used to acheve a specified furshed width. For example; 3 widths of material pleated to 59 inches is the pair wall not have the same pleal spaciog as 7 widtus of pharerial pleated to 72 inches to the pair. If pleats and pleas spaciag are to look alike on draperiei of ilffereni widths, please specify "comparable fulliness" on your nondes. Hertically sariped faterics will not fathicule tid allow an
 pair to paín

## How to Order Your Draperies

Since "Made-to-Measure" draperies are made to your exact specificalions it is imperative that measurements be made with the greatest of zare. We recomisend that you double check all measurements lar accuracy. All neasuringshould bedone with a sieel tape or yardstick. Measure each window separately even when they appear ta bo the same ser, If leasib yarion tis dimersman af shoricat Jegght.

## Drapery Hadih

- Measure width ol drapery rod frugi end to end
- Add to this figure an extra $12^{\circ}$ to inelude the aliowance for standard traverse rad returns and averlap.
- Standard relurns are $3^{\circ}$ in depth. For over-draperies allow far slearance of under-curtain. A $\mathrm{F}^{\circ}$ retuen should be sufficent.
- When ondering pancla thar stack (draw) in anc directuon



## Draperi Lengih

- Measure from lop of rod to fisor or ro carpee. (By inserling pins I'from top drapery will autrmatically sleartbe floge or carpet.)
- Under-cutlain shoekd be at least "sherter than overdrapery.
- Wben floor ienght draperies are ated it is best io measure length at each side and in the eenter, Use shortest Iigure for yout measurentent.
- Rod should be placed a minimum of $4^{\text {r aborave }}$ he window 30 books and pleats will not be olserved from mulside
- If sill length, allow $4^{+}$belaw sill se boltom hem will nol be observed From outside:
- When using pole rings, measure length from boltom of rings.

[^1]STACK BACK CHART

| If fite duass is | TOTAL STACK BACK SHOULO BE | ROO LENGTH AND ORANEAY OOVERAGE SHOULD BE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 30 ${ }^{\text {unchen }}$ | 28 incou | 64-inches |
| 44 | 28 | 72 |
| 50 | 30 | 30 |
| 56 | 32 | 88 |
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| 68 | 31 | Ta4 |
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| 81 | ap | 120 |
| 87 | 41 | 129 |
| 94 | 42 | 138 |
| 100 | 44 | 144 |
| 106 | 45 | 152 |
| 112 | 48 | 180 |
| 119 | 49 | lag |
| 125 | 51 | 176 |
| 131 | 53 | 184 |
| 137 | 55 | 192 |
| 145 | 56 | 200 |
| 130 | 36 | 268 |
| 135 | 60 | 718 |
| 162 | 62 | 224 |
| 169 | 63 | 232 |
| 175 | 65 | 240 |
| 141 | 67 | 244 |
| 187 | 68 | 200 |

NOTE- Yoi mel haw to AOD RETURNS AND OVERLAPS TO DFAPERY COVERAGE,
THIS CHAAT IS BABED ON AVERAGE PLEATING AHD MEDIUN WEIISTT FABRIC. YOU UAY BEDUCT $7^{\circ}$ FROM ROO LENGTH IF YOU ARE USINO A ONE WAY ROD, IF BULKY FABRIC IS USED, ADD TO SACK BACK ACCDRDIAGLY.

## PLEAT-TO / FULLNESS CHARTS

(48 Fabric) $2 V_{2} X$ 's Fuliness

| PLEAT-TO | 19 | 38 | 57 | 76 | 95 | 114 | 133 | 152 | 171 | 190 | 209 | 228 | 247 | 266 | 285 |
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| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |

(48 Fabric) $3 \times$ 's Fullness

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| PLEAT-TO | 15 | 30 | 45 | 60 | 75 | 90 | 105 | 120 | 135 | 150 | 165 | 180 | 195 | 210 | 225 |
| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |

( $54^{\prime+}$ Fabric) $2 v_{2} \times$ 's Fullness

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| PLEAT-TO | 21 | 42 | 63 | 84 | 105 | 126 | 147 | 168 | 189 | 210 | 231 | 254 | 273 | 294 | 315 |
| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |

(54" Fabnc) $3 \times$ 's Fullness

| PLEAT-TO | 17 | 34 | 51 | 68 | 85 | 102 | 119 | 136 | 153 | 170 | 187 | 204 | 221 | 238 | 255 |
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| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |

YARDAGE CHART FOR 4＂OR 5＂HEADING（Cut Plus 20＇＂） TOTAL NUMBER OF WIDTHS PER PAIR OR PANEL

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## Window Types

1. Double Hung Window - Most common of all window types, has two sashes, one on both of whoch slide up and down. Unless it is too lone and narrow or in the wrong lecation, this type of window is usually one of the easiest to decorate.
2. In-Swinging Casement - Opens mitu the room. If it is not decorated properly, cuitains and draperies-may tangle with the window as it is opened and closed
3. Out-Swinging Casement - Opens outward, Both in-swinging and outswinging casements may be operated by a crank, or simply moved by hand. Out-swinging casements are easily decorated.
4. Ranch or Strip Windows - Most often a wide window set bigh ofr the floor. Unually lias sliding sasties and is common to most ranch type hinuses, It requires spectal consideration when decorating to mike it uttractive.
5. Awning Window - Has wide, horizental sashes that open outward to any angle, can usualty be left open when it's raining. Unless if is awkwardly placed or shaped, it's an casy one to deconte
6. Jolousic Window - Identified by marrow, horizontal strips of glass that open by means of a crank to any desired angle. Decorationg problems result only when the shape or location is unusual.

7 Picture Window - One designed to frame an outside view. It may consist of one large, fixed pane of glass, in which case the window cannot be opened. Or it may have movable sections on one or both sides of a fixed pane - or ubove und below - which can be opened for ventilation, Sometimes there are decoratine problems, but in general, a picture window is your big opportunity.
8. Dommer Window - Usally 14 small window projecting from the house in ant alcove-like extension of the room. It requires a treatment all its own.
9. Hay Windows - Three or more windows set at an angle to each other in a recessed area. You can lise lots of imagination with bay windows.


10 Bow Window - A unrved windon sometimes called a cimonlar hay.
12. Double Windows side by side windows. (If there are more thath-one they are offen called muitiple windows.I Most often treated as a singlic unit. always think of them roget her, as ones decoratiog eletnent.
13. Corner Windows - Any window ithat comes topether at the corner of a roust.
14. French Doors Sounctiones called trench wandows. They conhe in nairs and sfien open utthe a furch or patio. Usually thy nesd srecial deestating to look their best
15. Stiding Giass Doors = Ioday \% funcirmal serson of Trened doors. They are often set into a reqular wall but are somelimus part of a modert "Elass wall." Eiturer way, they need special decor that allows thom to serve as donrs yet provide mightime privacy.
18. Clerestory Window $\Lambda$ shallow window sel neat the ceiling Usually should to decorated inoomspicoonsly. Ahi modesm architectiute, it is sometimes placed in the slope of a hermed celing, in which case it should rarely be decoraded a (all.)

17, Palladian Window - An arched ton window witi stratigh panes below the arch.

8 Glass Wall U/sually a group of basc window units made to it dogeliter, forming a veritable "wall" of swindows. Curtains and draporizs otten require special planning.


## Valances



Box Pleated Valance with Buttons


Tab Valance on Dec. Rod


Box Pleated Valance with Points and Banding



Multi Point Valance with Pleats and Fringe



Arched and Gathered Valance with Rope


Box Pleated Valance with Tabs


Queen Ann Valance

Tear Drop Valance


Open Kingston Valance on Dec. Rod


Soft Cornice with Banners


Banner Valance


Scalloped Tabbed Valance with Trim



Rolled Stagecoach Valance with Wide Knotted Tie Bands


Swags and Jabots over Soft Cornice

Rod Pocket Arched Valance


Gathered Valance on Top and Bottom Rods with Multiple Bow Ties


Box Pleated Valance with Twisted Cording


Triple Cone Pleated Valance on Dec. Rod


Tapered Box Pleated Valance with Banding


Valance with Triple Box Pleats


Swags and Cascades over Lambrequin Valance


Balloon Shade with Double Knotted Cords


Shaped Valance with Triple Knots



Gathered Valance under Narrow Cornice with Bows at Corners


Gathered Valance with Dec. Rods Between and Arched Ruffle Below


Triple 41/2 Gathered Flat Rod Valance


Arched Gathered Valance with Ruffles on Narrow Double Rods


Two Gathered Valances on Flat Rods with Dec. Rod in Middle


Gathered Valance on Flat Rod with Dec. Rods at Top and Bottom


Gathered Valance with Flat Rod in Middle and Two Dec. Rods Between


Two 41/2 Flat Rods with Dec. Rod in Middle


Two 41/2 Flat Rods with Dec. Rods Top and Bottom


Double Pinch Pleat


Pleated Arched Valance


French Pleated Valance


Double Pleat Queen Ann



Rod Pocket Arched Valance


Rod Pocket Valance


Rod Pocket Top and Bottom Valance


Double Rod Pocket Top and Bottom Valance


Double Rod Pocket Top and Bottom Valance


Rod Pocket Top and Bottom Valance with Lower Rod Lifted


Cloud Valance with Shirred Heading


Cloud Valance with Rod Pocket Heading


Cloud Valance with Stand-up Ruffle



Rod Pocket Swag and Jabot Valance


Austrian Valance with Fringe

Austrian Valance with Jabots



Mock Roman


Scalloped Valance with Fringed Edge


Inverted Box Pleat


Inverted Box Pleat with Banding


Box Pleat with Banding


Rod Pocket with Stand-up Ruffle


Arched Rod Pocket


Double Rod Pocket with Stand-up Top and Bottom


Double Rod Pocket with Stand-up


Double Ruffled Valance Shirred on Rod


Double Rod Pocket Rod Pocket Top and Bottom with Stand-up


Rod Pocket Heading with No Stand-up


Double Rod Pocket with No Stand-up

Double Rod Pocket Cloud Valance


Triple Rod Pocket with Multiple Fabrics


4" Shirred Heading


Arched 4" Shirred Heading


Shirred Double Arched Valance with Spaced Pleats


Rod Pocket Spacer Valance


Double Arched Valance with Shirred Heading and Tapered Sides


Shirred Cloud Valance with Dropped Sides and Ruffle



Double Arched Rod Pocket Valance


Cathedral Top Valance with Tapered Sides


French Pleated Valance with<br>Tapered Sides



Rod Pocket Petticoat Valance


New Orleans Valance with 6" Ruffle


Rod Pocket Valance with Tapered Sides


Gathered on Rod


Empire Valance with Jabots


Plain Banded Valance with Jabots


Tab-top Valance on Dec. Rod

## Yardage Information

## TERMS

Pleat- To: Rod or Board facing plus returns.
Finished Length (Top to Bottom): Length after the valance is fabricated. That is, the length you want the valance to be after the workroom makes it.

Cut Length: Is the length of material figured per width consisting of the finished length plus the number of inches your workroom requires for heading, bottom hem, possible repeat, and allowance for trim off.

Width: Each piece of drapery fabric sewn together to form a pair or panel of draperies is a width. Example, a one way panel of draperies with a pleat-to of $110^{\prime \prime}$ requires 6 widths of $48^{\prime \prime}$ fabric. See fullness chart below.

Fullness: The more fabric you pleat-to, or gather together to fill a given space determines the fullness. Usually two, two and a half, or three times fullness.

Repeat: How many inches a pattern takes to repeat itself.

| PLEAT-TO / FULLNESS CHARTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (48' Fabnic) $21 / 2 \mathrm{X}$ 's Fuliness |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PLEAT-TO | 19 | 38 | 57 | 76. | 95 | 114 | 133 | 152 | 171 | 190 | 209 | 228 | 247 | 266 | 285 |
| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (48' Fabric) 3 X's. Fuilness |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PLEAT-TO | 15 | 30 | 45 | 60 | 75 | 90 | 105 | 120 | 135 | 150 | 165 | 180 | 195 | 210 | 225 |
| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (54'1 Fabric) $21 / 4 \mathrm{X}$ 's Fullness |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PLEATTO | 21 | 42 | 63 | 84 | 105 | 126 | 147 | 168 | 189 | 210 | 231 | 254 | 273 | 294 | 315 |
| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| (54"Fabric) $3 x$ 's Fuliness |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PLEAT-TO | 17 | 34 | 51 | 68 | 85 | 102 | 119 | 136 | 153 | 170 | 187 | 204 | 221 | 238 | 255 |
| WIDTHS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |

## General Yardage Requirements

## French Pleated, Queen Ann, Space-Pleated etc.

For these valances determine widths required and fullness using fullness charts above. Rod-Pocket/Gathered style valances usually look better with 300 percent fullness.

Self lined Plain Fabric (recommended fullness 21/2-3 X's)
Double finished length plus 10 " equals cut length. Cut length X's widths required divided by 36 equals yardage.

## Plain Fabric with Lining

Finished length plus 10 ", X 's required widths divided by 36 equals yardage. Caution: some valances may show lining from certain angles in the room or from outside, therefore, it is best to self-line some valances.

## Printed Fabrics with Lining_(lining recommended)

Finished length plus 10 " divided by repeat, rounded to higher whole number (if number is fractional). Whole number X's repeat equals cut length. Cut length X's widths needed divided by 36 equals yardage. Its better to use lining for print. This is because the print may bleed through in the light if self-lined.

## Rod Pocket Valances

Determine widths required using fullness charts. Rod Pocket valances usually look better with 300 percent fullness.

## Self Lined Plain Fabric

Double finished length plus $14^{\prime \prime}$ equals cut length. Cut length X's widths divided by 36 equals yardage.

## Plain Fabric with Lining

Finished length plus 14 " equals cut length. Cut length $X$ 's widths divided by 36 equals yardage.

## Plain Fabric with Lining_(lining recommended)

Finished length plus 16 " divided by repeat, rounded to higher whole number (if number is fractional). Whole number X's repeat equals cut length. Cut length X's widths required divided by 36 equals yardage.

## CLOUD, BALLOON TYPE VALANCES

Plain Fabric with_Lining_(lining recommended)
Finished length plus $20^{\prime \prime}$ equals cut length. Pleat-to X's 3 divided by fabric width, then round to next whole width. This equals number of widths required. Widths required X's cut length divided by 36 equals yardage.

## Plain Fabric with Lining_(recommended)

Finished length plus 20 " divided by repeat, then rounded to higher whole number (if number is fractional). Whole number X's repeat equals cut length. Pleat-to X's 3 divided by fabric width, then rounded to next whole width. This equals number of widths required. Widths required X's cut length divided by 36 equals yardage.

## AUSTRIAN VALANCES

Plain/Sheer Fabric Unlined(recommended)
Finished length X's 3 equals cut length. Pleat-to X's two and a half, divided by fabric width, rounded to next whole width equals widths required. Widths required X's cut length divided by 36 equals yardage.

## BOX PLEATED VALANCES

Plain Fabric with Lining (recommended)
Finished length plus 10 " equals cut length. Pleat-to X 's two and one half, divided by fabric width, rounded to next whole width equals widths required. Widths X's cut length divided by 36 equals yardage.

## Plain Fabric Self Lined

Finished length X's two plus 10 " equals cut length. Pleat-to X's two and one half, divided by fabric width, rounded to next whole width. This equals widths required. Widths X's cut length divided by 36 equals yardage.

## Plain_Fabric with_Lining_(lining recommended)

Finished length plus 10 " divided by repeat, then rounded to higher whole number (if number is fractional). Whole number X's repeat equals cut length. Pleat-to X's two and a half divided by fabric width, rounded to next whole width. Width X's cut length divided by 36 equals yardage.

## PLEASE NOTE

I have attempted to follow the industry standards with the above information. Your workroom may vary in cut lengths, and other requirements. It is best to check with a professional drapery workroom to see if above formulas are acceptable.

Generally, if you want to add lining to above valances then lining amount equals yardage amount.

## Swags and Cascades



Swags and Cascades with Maltese Cross


Swags and Cascades over Pleated Draperies and Roman Shade


Swag and Cascade over Pleated Valance




Empire Swags and Cascades


Fabric Swagged over Pole with Cord and Tassle Trim


Open Empire Swags


Empire Swags over Draperies with Tassel


Waterfall Swag




Swags and Cascades over Dec. Rod


Fabric Draped through Sconces



Double Swag with Cascades



Single Swag with Cascades




Formal Swags and Cascades


Swag with Maltese Cross Ties


Swags and Rosettes and Center Jabot


Gathered Swag


Swag and Cascades with Ruffle over Balloon Shade


Swags and Jabots over Lace Panels


Draped Swag


Swag Draped over Rod



Swag with Rosette and Asymmetric Cascades

Double Swag with Plain Cascades over Print


Swags and Long Cascades over French Doors


Swag and Cascades with Ties


Swag with Rosettes and Cascades


Double Swag with Rosettes and Cascades

Ruffled Swag over Tie-backs


Ruffled Balloon Swag

## Swag and Cascade Arrangement Styles





Swag with Asymmetric Cascades


Swags over Austrian Shade


Boxed Swag Valance


Swag with Rosettes and Bow in Middle


Draped Swag with Contrasting Lining


Swag with Lifted Center
and Cascading Tails


Double Swagged Valance


Single Swag with Rosettes



Swagged Fabric with Cord Trim

## Swag and Cascade Types



Gathered Swag


Open Swag


Pleated Swag


Standard Cascade


Stacked Cascade


Gathered Cascade

## Cascades and Jabots



## CASCADES

## SINGLE TRADITIONAL CASCADE

(Yardage is for one cascade only)

## DOUBLE CASCADE

Length: Contrast or self lined - FL plus $4=$ CL
Width: (face) -- one width per Double Cascade(up to 14 ) (lining) -- one width per Double Cascade

## Lined in contrasting fabric:

Length: $\quad$ *CL of face $=F L$ (long point) plus 4 extra CL of lining=FL (long point) plus 4 extra
Width: Allow one width for face and one width for lining

## Self lined:

Length: $\quad$ FL (long point) $X 2$ plus $4=C L$ of face and lining
Width: One width will accomodate face and lining

> Note: ${ }^{*} \mathrm{CL}=$ cut length $\mathrm{FL}=$ Finished Length
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Jabots are decorative pieces of fabric that are hung over seams or between swags on a valance. Jabots may be tie shaped, cone shaped, or rounded on the bottom.

Yardage: Allow approximately one third yard or fabric for each jabot.


# Swags and Cascades Yardage Requirements 



Swags are top treatments or balances, used over draperies or blinds or sometimes alone. They are usually draped into soft, graceful folds, using fabrics that drape easily. It is more interesting to use an uneven number of swags. Swags should be lined.

Cascades are folded pieces of fabric that fall from the top of the drapery heading or valance to create a zigzag effect. Cascades must be lined with the cover fabric or one that contrasts.

## Yardage:

Swags - Based on an average of 44 per swag, you will need 2 yards of fabric per swag.

Cascades - Double the longest length, add 4 and divide by 36. This will give you the number of yards needed for a single pair of cascades.

## SWAG WIDTH, BOARD FACE \& NUMBER OF SWAGS

Swage may vary in width from 20 to over 70 . Very small swags wtih have only a few folds. Extremely wide swags will have a limited drop length. The width of the swag is determined by the board face and the number of swags that will be used on each treatment. The following guide will help determine the number of swags needed based on the board face. The guide to based on the assumption that swag overlap will start approximately $1 / 2$ or less the width of the swag face.
IF BOARD FA
36 to 48
49 to 70
71 to 100
101 to 125
126 to 150
151 to 175
176 to 200
201 to 225
226 to 250
251 to 275
276 to 300
SWAG WIDT
To find the
the number
Example:
Boards face

NUMBER OF SWAGS HELP TO DETERMINE IS:
36 to 48 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1 swag
49 to 70 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 swags
71 to 100 ............................................. . . . 3 swags
101 to 125 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 swags
126 to 150 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5 swags

176 to 200 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 7 swags
201 to 225 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8 swags
226 to 250 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 9 swags
251 to 275 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10 swags
276 to 300 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 11 swags
SWAG WIDTH:
To find the width of each swag, divide the board face width by one or more than the number of swags used and multiply by 2 .

## Example:

Number of swags $=5$
$127-6=21.16 \times 2=42.33$ or 43 width for each swag.
The standard drop lengths of swags are 16,18 , or 20 . Usually 6 or 7 folds are placed across the top of a traditional swag with a standard drop. Swags that have shallow drops of 12 wil lhave 3 or 4 folds.

The chart below is an average guide to help you in finding swag drop based on face width.

IF SWAG FACE WIDTH IS: . . . . . . . . . . . .AVERAGE DROP WILL BE:
20 ................................................ . 10 to 13
25 ........................................... 12 to 17
30 ................................ . . . . . . . . . . 14 to 19

40 ............................................ . 14 to 21
45 ................................................ . 16 to 23

OVER 60 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 16 to 24

## Cornice Boxes, Lambrequins



Arched Cornice with Circular Center


Cornice with Banding Top and Appliqu


Cornice Box with Gilded Top and Rope Tassels


Designer Gilded Wood Top Cornice


Cornice Box with Large Rope Top and Appliqu


Chevron Top and Bottom Cornice


Pagoda Cornice


Arched Cornice with Ruffles



## Button Swagged Cornice



Shaped Crown Cornice with Gathered Valance


Chevron Cornice


Pagoda Cornice with Long Fringe


Shaped Cornice with Large Tassels


Arched Cornice with Twisted Rope


Shaped Cornice with Fringe


Box Shaped Cornice with Long Side Drops


Multi-Fabric Cornice


Sunburst Cornice


Pagoda Cornice


Straight Cornice with Shaped Crown


Custom Shaped Cornice


Double Fringe Cornice with Wood Crown

Cornice Box with Ruffle on Bottom


Cornice Box with Swag and Rosettes


Cornice Box with Shirred and Flat Panels


Shirred Cornice Box


Cornice Box with Gathered Fabric in Middle


Real Wood Cornice with Painted Leaf Design


Cornice with Real Wood Header


Straight Cornice with Stenciled Design


Cornice with In-and-out Swag


Cornice with Shaped and Raised Banding


Cornice with Honeycomb Pleating


Cornice with Diagonally Arched Pleating


Cornice with Unique Angled Top and Welting


Straight Cornice with Diagonal Welts and Center Rosette


Cornice with Rounded Gathered Top and Large Scalloped Bottom


Straight Cornice with Rosettes and Jabots


Pleated Arched Cornice with Special Center Piece


Cornice with Unique Pleated Bottom


Straight Cornice wtih Gathered Hourglass and Rosette


Cornice with Center Jabot

Cornice Box with Shirred Bottom Band


Scalloped Bottom with Banding


Cornice Box with 1"Pleaes


Cornice Box with Fabric Insert


Cornice Box with 2"Pleats


Shirred Cornice over Tie-backs



Bottom Banded Cornice Box with Matching Draperies


Cornice Box with Gold-Leaf Heading and Ties


Soft Cornice with Swags and Cascades


Cornice Box with Gathered Panels


Arched Cornice Box with Knotted Swag

## Cornice Box Shapes







Fabric Insert Cornice


Gathered Fabric Insert Cornice


Pleated Insert Cornice

## General Information

The cornices are padded with polyester fiberfill and constructed of wood.
Non-directional and solid fabrics should be railroaded to eliminate seams. Matching welting is standard on all cornices and is applied to the top and bottom edges. Coordinatng colors for welting has a more dramatic effect.

When ordering cornices to fit tight applications (i.e. wall to wall, bay windows), be sure to measure at the elevation of this installation. "Exact outside face measurement - wall to wall installation". Allow 1" for clearnace.

## Measuring:

Measure drapery rod from end bracket to end bracket and add four inches for rod clearance and cornice. 6" returns are needed when mounted over a single rod and 8 " returns when mounted over a double rod.


## Fabric Shades



Stagecoach Shade with Ties



Wide Pleated Balloon Shade



Tiered Cloud Shade


Arched Top Cloud Shade


Cloud Shade with Ruffled Bottom


Bottom Arched Balloon Shade


Balloon Shade with Rope Tassels

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Double Rod Pocket Cloud Shade with Bottom Ruffle

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Suspender Balloon Shade



Cloud Shade with Bows at Top


Balloon Shade


Cloud Shade gathered on a pole with ruffled upper edge



Cloud Shade Gathered on a Pole with Ruffle at the Top


Cloud Shade with 4" Shirring at Top to Give a Smocked Look


Triple Fullness Fabric in Softly Scalloped Panels Distinguish the Austrian Shade


Shirred Cloud Shade with Matching Valance


Inverted Pleats and a Pouffed Bottom Edge Characterize the Elegant Balloon Shade


Fabric Gathered Triple Fullness on Horizontal Rods for a Full, but Tailored Look


Pleated Balloon Shade with Matching Valance


Rod Pocket Swagged Balloon Shade over Mini Blind


The Dramatic Accordion Look is Created by Rows of Mini-pleats


A Flat, Simple Roman Shade that Draws Up into Graceful Folds when Raised


Brass Grommets and Front Cording Give a Nautical Look to this Shade


A Cord at Each Edge Gives Needed Support to this Bottom-up Shade


Distinctive Horizontal Pleating Makes this a Very Popular and Versatile Roman Shade


Soft Overlapping Folds Create a Cascading Effect in this Roman Shade


Alternate Groups of Mini-pleats with Single Panels Gives this Blind a Striking Look all its Own


Alternating Large and Small Pleats form a Repeating Pattern on this Roman Shade


This Valance has Soft Folds and No Returns


For a More Finished Look, Soft Folds Wrap Around the Sides of this Roman Valance


Roman Shade with Valance Overlapping


Soft Mini-fold Roman Shade


This Very Simple Roman Shade is Flat when Down and Draws Up in Graceful Folds when Raised

# Fabric Shade Measuring Information 

Inside Installation

A. Width: Measure width of window at the top, center and bottom of window, and use narrowest measurement when ordering. Specify on order form if inside clearance has been made. If no clearance has been allowed factory will deduct $1 / 4$ " from overall width.
B. Length: Measure height of window from top of opening to top of sill, no allowance is made for length.

Outside Installation

A. Width: Measure exact width of area to be covered. It is recommended that shades extend past actual window opening by 2 " on each side. Furnish finished shade width, no allowances will be made.
B. Length: Measure length of area to be covered, allowing a minimum of $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ at top of window to accomodate headerboard and brackets. (At this time you may want to take into consideration stackage of shades and allow for this in your length measurement.) Furnish finished shade length, no allowance will be made.

## ALL INSTALLATIONS

A. Specify right or left cord position. If no cord position is indicated, cords will be corded to right hand side.
B. Specify cord length (length of cord needed for easy reach, when shade is completely down). If no specification is made, cord length will be approximately $1 / 3$ length of shade.
C. For Pole Cloud, Cloud and Balloon shades, specify if length given is high or low point of pouff.

Square Footage Chart

| SHADE <br> LENGTH <br> in inches <br> 24 |  | SHADE WIDTH in inches |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60 | 66 | 72 | 78 | 84 | 90 | 96 | 102 | 108 | 114 | 120 | 126 | 132 | 138 | 144 |
| 30 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 111/4 | 121/2 | 131/4 | 15 | 161/4 | $17^{1 / 2}$ | 183/4 | 20 | 211/4 | $221 / 2$ | 233/4 | 25 | $261 / 4$ | $271 / 2$ | 283/4 | 30 |
| 36 | 10 | 10 | 10 | $101 / 2$ | 12 | $131 / 2$ | 15 | 161/2 | 18 | 191/2 | 21 | 221/2 | 24 | 251/2 | 27 | $281 / 2$ | 30 | $311 / 2$ | 33 | $341 / 2$ | 36 |
| 42 | 10 | 10 | $101 / 2$ | 121/4 | 14 | 153/4 | $171 / 2$ | 191/4 | 21 | 223/4 | $24^{1 / 2}$ | $261 / 4$ | 28 | 293/4 | $311 / 2$ | $331 / 4$ | 35 | 363/4 | $381 / 2$ | 401/4 | 42 |
| 48 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 24 | 26 | 28 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 36 | 38 | 40 | 42 | 44 | 46 | 48 |
| 54 | 10 | $111 / 4$ | $131 / 2$ | 153/4 | 18 | 201/4 | $221 / 2$ | 243/4 | 27 | 291/4 | $311 / 2$ | 333/4 | 36 | $381 / 4$ | $401 / 2$ | 423/4 | 45 | 471/4 | $491 / 2$ | 513/4 | 54 |
| 60 | 10 | 121/2 | 15 | $171 / 2$ | 20 | 221/2 | 25 | 271/2 | 30 | 321/2 | 35 | $371 / 2$ | 40 | 421/2 | 45 | $471 / 2$ | 50 | $521 / 2$ | 55 | $571 / 2$ | 60 |
| 66 | 11 | 133/4 | $161 / 2$ | 191/4 | 22 | 243/4 | $271 / 2$ | $30^{1 / 4}$ | 33 | 353/4 | $381 / 2$ | 411/4 | 44 | 463/4 | $491 / 2$ | 521/4 | 55 | 573/4 | $601 / 2$ | $631 / 4$ | 66 |
| 72 | 12 | 15 | 18 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 30 | 33 | 36 | 39 | 42 | 45 | 48 | 51 | 54 | 57 | 60 | 63 | 66 | 69 | 72 |
| 78 | 13 | $161 / 4$ | $191 / 2$ | 223/4 | 26 | 291/4 | 321/2 | 353/4 | 39 | 421/4 | $45^{1 / 2}$ | 483/4 | 52 | $551 / 4$ | $58^{1 / 2}$ | 613/4 | 65 | $681 / 4$ | $711 / 2$ | 74\% | 78 |
| 84 | 14 | $171 / 2$ | 21 | $241 / 2$ | 28 | $311 / 2$ | 35 | $381 / 2$ | 42 | $451 / 2$ | 49 | $521 / 2$ | 56 | $591 / 2$ | 63 | $66_{1 / 2}$ | 70 | $731 / 2$ | 77 | $801 / 2$ | 84 |
| 90 | 15 | 183/4 | $221 / 2$ | 261/4 | 30 | 331/4 | $371 / 2$ | 411/4 | 45 | 483/4 | $521 / 2$ | 56\% | 60 | 633/4 | $67^{1 / 2}$ | 711/ | 75 | 783/4 | $821 / 2$ | $861 / 2$ | 90 |
| 96 | 16 | 20 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 40 | 44 | 48 | 52 | 56 | 60 | 64 | 68 | 72 | 76 | 80 | 84 | 88 | 92 | 96 |
| 102 | 17 | $211 / 4$ | $25^{1 / 2}$ | 293/4 | 34 | 381/4 | 421/2 | $463 / 4$ | 51 | 551/4 | $591 / 2$ | $633 / 4$ | 68 | 721/4 | $761 / 2$ | 803/4 | 85 | 891/4 | $931 / 2$ | 973/4 | 102 |
| 108 | 18 | $221 / 2$ | 27 | $311 / 2$ | 36 | 401/2 | 45 | 491/2 | 54 | 581/2 | 63 | $671 / 2$ | 72 | $761 / 2$ | 81 | $851 / 2$ | 90 | $941 / 2$ | 99 | $1031 / 2$ | 108 |
| 114 | 19 | 233/4 | $281 / 2$ | $331 / 4$ | 38 | 423/4 | $471 / 2$ | 521/4 | 57 | 613/4 | $661 / 2$ | 711/4 | 76 | 803/4 | $85^{1 / 2}$ | 90\% | 95 | 993/4 | $1041 / 2$ | $1091 / 4$ | 114 |
| 120 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 | 40 | 45 | 50 | 55 | 60 | 65 | 70 | 75 | 80 | 85 | 90 | 95 | 100 | 105 | 110 | 115 | 120 |
| 126 | 21 | $261 / 4$ | $311 / 2$ | 363/4 | 42 | 471/2 | 521/2 | 573/4 | 63 | 681/4 | $731 / 2$ | 783/4 | 84 | 891/4 | $941 / 2$ | 993/ | 105 | 110 \% | $1151 / 2$ | 1203/4 | 126 |
| 132 | 22 | $271 / 2$ | 33 | $381 / 2$ | 44 | $491 / 2$ | 55 | $601 / 2$ | 66 | $711 / 2$ | 77 | 821/2 | 88 | $931 / 2$ | 99 | 1041/2 | 110 | 1151/2 | 121 | $1261 / 2$ | 132 |
| 138 | 23 | 283/4 | $341 / 2$ | 401/4 | 46 | 513/4 | $57^{1 / 2}$ | 631/4 | 69 | 743/4 | $801 / 2$ | $861 / 4$ | 92 | 973/4 | $1031 / 2$ | 1091/4 | 115 | 120\%/4 | 126 \% | 1321/4 | 138 |
| 144 | 24 | 30 | 36 | 42 | 48 | 54 | 60 | 66 | 72 | 78 | 84 | 90 | 96 | 102 | 108 | 114 | 120 | 126 | 132 | 138 | 144 |

## Curtains



Tabbed Curtain over Shutters



Tabbed Curtain gathered in Middle



Sheer Lace Tied-back Curtains with Gathered Valance


Cafe Curtains with French Pleated Tops on Rings


Shirred Cafe Curtain on High Rod


## Scalloped Valance over Cafe Curtains



Priscilla Curtains with Ruffles


Valance on Brass Dec. Rod over Tied-back Curtains with Ruffles


Rod Top Curtains with High Ties and Large Ruffles


Priscilla Curtains with Rod Pocket Top


Cafe Curtains with Arched Top \& Valance


Traditional Swag with Mini Blind


Cafe Curtains on Brass Rod with Gathered Valance


Pleated Tab Top Cafe Curtains on Brass Rod


## Cafe Curtains Shirred Top-to-Bottom

 Between Two Rods

Drapery Gathered on a Dec. Rod and Tied-back with Large Bows


Tied-back Curtains Gathered on Rod


Austrian Shade with Ruffles



Bow-tied Ruffled Tie-backs


Tab-top Curtains on Dec. Rod


Ruffled Tie-backs over Balloon Shade


Tab Top Curtains on Dec. Rod


Ruffled Tie-backs over Shutters


Arched Rod Pocket Valance over Straight Curtains


Lace Curtains \& Valance Threaded on Rod


Banded Tie-back Curtains


Tab Top Banded Curtains Tied-back


Tiered Curtains with Ribbon Banding


Box Pleated with Tab Heading


Scalloped Heading with Sewn on Rings


Scalloped Heading with Ties

Tab-tied Curtains on Brass Dec. Rod


Gathered Heading with Rings


Grommet Heading with Rope


Scalloped \& Tabbed Heading


Double Cafe Curtains with Scalloped Top on Brass Rod

## Accessories



Straight Plain


Tapered with Weld Cord

Straight Shirred



Tapered Plain


Shirred Jumbo Welt Cord


Braided


Straight with Banding


Straight Shirred with Welt Cord


Straight with Rosette


Straight with Bow


Ruffled


Shirred Tie with Pleat


Straight with Fringe


New Shirred Look


Double Ruffled Tie


Straight with Ruffle


Formal Tie with Cascade


Box Pleated Tie with Welt

## Throw Pillows



## Pillows and Cushions




Boxed Cushion with Welt


Tootsie Roll Neck Roll


Boxed Cushion with Shirred Boxing


Puff Pillow with Welt



Fabric Draped Vanity Table


Fabric Covered Divider


Slip-covered Chair

Fabric Draped Through Sconces


Fabric Covered Wastebasket


Seat Cushion

## Round Table Covers



Ruffled Overlay \& Skirt with Tassels


Plain Round Cover Lined or Unlined


Lace Square over Skirt


Round Overlay Tied with Bows


Plain Round Cover with Welt Edge


Round Cover with Austrian Shirring


Sunburst


Diamond Rod Top \＆Bottom


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Tjik
Hourglass Rod Top \＆Bottom


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Hourglass Rod Top \＆Bottom

## Bed Coverings



Rod Pocket Drapery with Dec. Rod over Plain Bedspread


Swags \& Cascades over Plain bedspread with Upholstered Headboard over Plain Bedspread


Ceiling Mounted Valance over Box Pleated Coverlet


Quilted Top Double Ruffled Drop Bedspread



Half-round Box Pleated Valance with Draped Fabric held by Rosettes Upholstered Headboard with Throw Spread


Fabric Draped over Decorative Pole Coverlet with Tailored Dust Ruffle


Half-round Ruffled Valance with Fabric Draped over Hold Backs Upholstered Headboard with Throw Spread


Rod Pocket Valance with Ruffled Tie-backs Upholstered Headboard \& Throw Spread


Box Pleated Canopy Valance with Stationary Draperies

## Quilted Coverlet over

 Box Pleated Dust Ruffle

Arched Canopy with Ruffles Ruffled Bedspread \& Dust Ruffle


Gathered Canopy Valance Ruffled Bedspread over Gathered Dust Ruffle


Gathered Canopy Valance over Tie-backs Coverlet over Gathered Dust Ruffle



Throw with 2" Welt


Tufted Daybed Comforter over Shirred Dust Ruffle

## Upholstered Benches



## Pillow Shams



Sham with 3" Ruffle


Plain Sham with Double Ruffle


Cylindrical Bolster with Welt Trim


Plain Sham with 1/4" Welt


Sham with $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ Welt and Ruffle


Wedge Bolster with Welt Trim


Quilted Sham with 2 1/2" Flange


Double Ruffle Sham with $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Welt


Rectangular Bolster with Welt Trim

## Yardage Schedule for Bed Coverings

| SPREADS |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $36 "$ | 48" | 54" |
| Twin | 12 yards | 8 yards | 8 yards |
| Full | 12 yards | 12 yards | 8 yards |
| Queen | 15 yards | 12 yards | 12 yards |
| King | 15 yards | 12 yards | 12 yards |
| Additional Yardage Requirements: For Prints—Add 1 yard Additional Yardage Optional Features: |  |  |  |



| DUSTERS |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 36" Fabric | 45" or Wider |  |  |
|  | Tailored | Shirred or 4" Box Pleat | Tailored | Shirred or 4" Box Pleat |
| Twin | $33 / 4$ yards | $81 / 2$ yards | $23 / 4$ yards | $61 / 2$ yards |
| Full | $33 / 4$ yards | $81 / 2$ yards | $23 / 4$ yards | 7 yards |
| Queen | $41 / 2$ yards | 10 yards | 3 yards | $71 / 2$ yards |
| King | $41 / 2$ yards | 10 yards | 3 yards | $71 / 2$ yards |


|  |  |  | TERS |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $36 "$ | 45" | $54 "$ |
|  | $36^{\prime \prime}$ | $11 / 2$ yards | $11 / 2$ yards | 1 yard |
| , | $39 "$ | 2 yards | $11 / 2$ yards | 1 yard |
| - | $60^{\prime \prime}$ | 2 yards | 2 yards | 2 yards |
| - | $72^{\prime \prime}$ | $21 / 2$ yards | 2 yards | 2 yards |
|  | Add 1 Repeat of Pattern for Prints |  |  |  |


| GENERAL INFORMATION |  |
| :---: | :--- |
| Bedspreads are made to fit the following standard bed sizes: | Standard Drops: |
| Twin $39 \times 75$ | Bedspreads 21" |
| Full | $54 \times 75$ |
| Queen | $60 \times 80$ |
| King | $72 \times 84$ |

## Dust Ruffles



Box Pleated

## HOW TO MEASURE:

(Exact measurements are necessary)
A - Length of Boxsprings
B - Width of Boxsprings
C - Drop from top of Boxsprings to floor

## UPHOLSTERED HEADBOARDS



DIMENSIONS

| STYLE | TWIN | FULL | QUEEN | KING |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D, I, F, G | $41 \mathrm{~W} \times 51 \mathrm{H}$ | $56 \mathrm{~W} \times 53 \mathrm{H}$ | $62 \mathrm{~W} \times 55 \mathrm{H}$ | $81 \mathrm{~W} \times 56 \mathrm{H}$ |
| J | $41 \mathrm{~W} \times 53 \mathrm{H}$ | $56 \mathrm{~W} \times 55 \mathrm{H}$ | $62 \mathrm{~W} \times 57 \mathrm{H}$ | $81 \mathrm{~W} \times 57 \mathrm{H}$ |
| E, H | $41 \mathrm{~W} \times 49 \mathrm{H}$ | $56 \mathrm{~W} \times 49 \mathrm{H}$ | $62 \mathrm{~W} \times 51 \mathrm{H}$ | $81 \mathrm{~W} \times 53 \mathrm{H}$ |

## Blinds and Shutters



Rod Pocket Valance over Solid Wood Shutters


Fabric Insert Shutters


Louvered \& Solid Shutters with Valance


Draperies over Traditional Shutters



Tabbed Valance on Dec. Rod
over Wood Blind


Cloud Valance over Half Shutters


Bishop Sleeve Draperies
over Wood Blind


Balloon Valance over Wood Blind


Fabric Swag with Side Drop



Ruffled Swags over Cafe Shutters


Shutter with Shirred Fabric Insert


Two-tone Swag over Full Shutters


Gathered Valance over Louvered Shutters

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Cornice Box over White Wood Blinds with Wide Tapes


Leaded Glass over Wide Blade Shutters


Sunburst Shutter over French Door Shutters


1 Wood Blind in Natural Finish with Cloud Valance


French Doors with Wood Blinds and Chevron Valances


Shutters Custom Fitted to Slanted Clerestory Window


Traditional Shutters
on Tall Window


Drapery Folded over Dec. Rod over Pleated Shade


Fabric Draped over Pleated Shade


Fabric Draped over Pleated Shade


Cloud Valance over Mini Blind


Unique Geometric Valance over Mini Blind


Gathered Valance with Bows over Shade with Appliqued Bottom


Banded Roller Shade with Valance


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Fringed Scalloped Roller Shade with Valance


Rod Pocket Valance over Roller Shade


Multiple Lace Fabric Swags on Dec. Rod



Scalloped Awning Valance over Mini Blind


Full Gathered Valance on Double Rods


Tab Curtains Tied-back over Roller Shade


Puffed and Ruffled Valance over Pleated Shade

Flat Panels Pulled Back over Pleated Shades


Gathered Swag and Cascade over Pleated Shade


Swag with Ruffled Side Drops over Vertical Blinds


Floor Length Fabric Swagged on Shirred Rod over Vertical Blinds
 effect over Vertical Blinds


## Simple Shirred Cornice over Vertical Blinds



Fabric or Wallpaper Inserts


Vertical Blinds with Stagecoach Valance


Slant-top Vertical Blinds


Verticals are a great Solution to Bay Windows


Vertical Blinds with Cornice Top


Shirred Cloud Valance Adds Softness to Vertical Blinds


Slanted Windows with Vertical Blinds


Double Brass Rods over Vertical Blinds with Brass Trim at Bottom


Scalloped Pleated Valance over Vertical Blinds


## Windows with a challenge



Door with Window \& Sidelights


SOLUTION 2


SOLUTION 1


Corner Gliding Windows with Structural Beam on Top





Air Conditioner in a Double-Hung Window


SOLUTION 2


SOLUTION 1


SOLUTION 1


Sliding Glass Doors \& Cathedral Windows


SOLUTION 2


Clerestory Windows


SOLUTION 4


SOLUTION 1


Bay with Casement Windows


SOLUTION 2


Picture Window with Baseboard Heater


SOLUIION 2


SOLUTION 1


SOLUTION 3


SOLUTION 1


SOLUTION 3


Jalousie Windows \& Doors


SOLUTION 2


French Doors


SOLUTION 2


SOLUTION 1


SOLUIION 3


GOLUTION 1



Triple Double-Hung Windows


SOLUTION 2


SOLUTION 2


SOLITION 1


SOLUTION 3


SOLUTION 1


SOLUTION 3


## Arched Top Windows




SOLUTION 3


SOLUTION 5

## Glossary of Decorating Terms

A
"A" Frame Window - Very contemporary house structures sometimes form an "A" shape. When draperies are used, they hang from the crossbeam of the "A," or they can be fabricated and installed to conform to the shape of the window.
A La Duchesse - A type of bed supported with a canopy suspension from the ceiling rather than posts. It is also know as an angel bed.
Accordion Pleat - Single large pleats which are often used as a method of fan folding in pleated draperies before installing, or can be used in contract draperies by snapping onto channel slides.
Allowance - A customary variation from an "exact" measurement, taken for the purpose of anticipated needs.
Appliqué - The application of a second, decorated layer of fabric onto a base piece of cloth.
Apron - A piece of wood trim beneath the windowsill.
Architectural Rodding - Used for contract draperies, a sturdy sleek or traverse channel.
Architrave - The molding around an arch, or wooden surrounding to a window or door frame.
Art Deco - A modern, historical design period, which dates from 1909 to 1939.
Art Glass - Glass which is cut at an angle (other than right), stained and etched, and used for hard window treatments.
Art Nouveau - An historical design movement of the Victorian Era, dating from 1890 to 1910. The motifs are based on flowing plant forms.
Asymmetrical Balance - A type of design in which the entire arrangement has a balance, but each side of a central point is different.
Austrian Shade - A shade having ruche down the whole side length, creating billows when the shade is raised.
Automated Exterior Rolling Shutters - A treatment used for insulation and privacy purposes, in which the exterior of a window has metal panels, which roll down mechanically over the glass.
Awning Window - A type of window which can swing out due to a hinged top.

## B

Backstitch - A reverse-stitch used to keep the stitches from coming undone at the ends. Several stitches are sewn at the beginning and end of any seam.
Balloon Shade - Shades with vertical rows of horizontally gathered fabric, which can be drawn up to form strips of pleated or gathered trim.
Balloon Tie-backs - Curtains which, when tied back, form a rounded sort of cloud shape.
Bamboo Shade - A natural light softening shade, drawn by hand using a cord, and made of woven panels of split bamboo. This is also called a Bali blind.
Baroque - An elaborate interior design period dating from 1643 to 1730 in France and 1660 to 1714 in England.
Bar-Tack - A sewing machine operation of repeated stitches concentrated to secure the lowest portion of drapery pleats.
Basement Windows - Opposite of awning windows, these windows swing inward due to a hinged bottom.
Basting - A technique used in sewing to temporarily fasten
layers of fabric using long loose stitches.
Baton - A rod or wand used to hand draw traverse draperies.
Bay Window - A large projecting type of window made of a group of windows set at angles to each other and joined to each other on some sides.

Bell Valance - A gathered or pleated valance which has a number of bell-like shapes at bottom hemline.
Bias Binding - A strip of fabric used for added strength when binding edges of fabric and closing piping. The fabric is cut in a slanted manner from selvage to selvage.
Bishop's Sleeve Curtains - Tie-back curtains which have been bloused at least two times.
Blind - A hard treatment for a window, consisting of a series of horizontal panels.
Bottom Hem - The turned part forming a finished edge at bottom of drapery.
Bow Window - A large projecting type of window that is curved or semi-circular.
Box Pleat - A fold of cloth sewn into place to create fullness in a drapery. Box pleats are evenly spaced and stitched.
Bracket - Metal piece attached to the wall or casing to support a drapery or curtain rod.
Braid - A ribbon, which is woven, to be used for trimming or added to edges of draperies and accessories.
Bull's-Eye Window - A circular window glazed with flat or arched glass.
Butterfly Pleat - A two-part pleat which flares out at the top and is bar-tacked at the bottom.
C
Café - A traversing or non-traversing drapery, designed as a tier. The heading can be various styles. They can be set at a variety of heights to control ventilation, view and light.
Café Rod - A small, round decorative rod which comes in white, brass or woodgrain finish, used to mount café curtains that do not have a rod pocket. Café rods are meant to be seen and add an additional decorative touch to the curtain treatment.
Canopy - A fabric window topper created by sewing pockets into fabric panels and inserting a rod with a small projection at the top of the panel, a rod with a larger projection at the bottom.
Cantonniere - A three-sided shaped or straight cornice that "frames" the window - across the top and down the two sides. It is made of a hardboard, padded and covered with fabric.
Cape Cod Curtain - A café curtain decorated by a ruffle around the bottom and sides. This is also called a ruffleround curtain.
Carriers - Small runners installed in a traverse rod which hold a drapery pin or hook.
Cartridge Pleat - A fold of cloth sewn into place to create fullness in a drapery. This is a round pleat 2-2 1/2 inches in depth. Roundness is created by stuffing of crinoline or paper (removed for cleaning).
Cascade - A fall of fabric that descends in a zigzag line from a drapery heading or top treatment.
Cased Heading - A curtain heading with a simple, hemmed top, in which a rod is inserted.
Casement - (1) A cloth drapery that is of an open-weave material but more opaque than a sheer. (2) A type of vertically hinged window, whose panes open by sliding sideways or cranking outward.
Casing (Window) - Wooden frame around a window.
Catchstitch - A stitch used for hemming raw edges, and then covered by a piece of fabric.
Cathedral Window - A window which points upward, and is formed at an angle.
Center Draw - One pair of draperies which draws open and
closes exactly at a window's center point.
Center Support - A metal grip which is used to support a traverse rod from above and prevents rod form sagging in the middle, but does not interfere with rod operation.
Clerestory Windows - A series of small windows which let in light and air. These are placed high on the wall to allow complete privacy.
Colonial - A design period common prior to the revolutionary war in America. It is typically dated from 1608 to 1790.
Corbel Bay - A second story bay window.
Cord - A cable yarn which can be made from either cotton or synthetic materials. It is used for various reasons including holding blinds and shades together, and as a means for drawing traverse draperies, shades, and blinds.
Corner Window - A corner window literally wraps a corner of the building at right angles.
Cornice - A shallow, box-like structure, usually made of wood, fastened across the top of a window to conceal the drapery hardware.
Cornice Board - A horizontal board used as support for a cornice or as foundation for swags and tails.
Cornice Pole - A curtain pole having rings, and used for heavy curtains.
Corona Drape - A drapery which is hung at the top of a bed from a semi-circular bracket or a pole.
Cottage Curtains - A term used to describe curtains displayed in a casual or informal manner.
Country Curtains - A casual curtain treatment with ruffles at valance, bottom, sides, and ties. The curtain is shirred at a maximum of five times in fullness, and is usually made with plain or tiny printed fabric.
Coverage - A term used to describe the amount of fullness in fabric at the window.
Crown Glass - A particular type of glass consisting of handblown crowns, measuring about one meter in diameter.
Curtain - A window covering either hung from rings, or made with a casing so that it slips over a rod. Curtains are informal window coverings.
Custom Glazing - Unusual sized or oddly shaped window glass, which is custom made and installed.
Custom-Made Draperies - Draperies made to order in a workroom or decorator shop.
Cut Length - The length after allowances have been made for heading and hem.
Cut Width - The width that the fabric should be cut after allowances have been made.

## D

Decorator Rods - Hardware used for the purpose of decorating, and meant to be seen in the open. Usually made from chrome, wood, brass, or antique wrought iron.
Diaphanous Sheers - Drapery used for the purpose of daytime privacy. The finely woven transparent fabrics filter out glare. Also know as glass curtains.
Dormer Window - An upright window which breaks the surface of a sloping roof.
Double Hung - May be several items: Double hung window, Double hung shutters, and Double hung draperies (two sets of draperies usually sheer fabric under opaque fabric, both operating independently).
Drapability - How well a fabric can flow or fall into folds in an attractive manner.
Drapery - A window covering which is usually hung from a traverse rod. Draperies most often have pleated headings which may be lined or unlined.
Draw Draperies - Panels of fabric, featuring pleated headings.

Dress Curtains - Curtains used for the sole purpose of decorating. They are not meant to be drawn.

E
Ease - Refers to extra fabric allowance given in order to make the finished length more accurate. Sometimes fabric that was not calculated into the final length will be lost when stitching double fold hems, headings, rod pockets, or when gathering a treatment onto a rod. It is a good idea to add $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ ease to the length before cutting to ensure a more accurate finish.
Elements of Design - The elements which make up a design, including: texture, light, color, space, form, shape, pattern, and ornament.
Empire - A design period dating from 1804 to 1820 in France and 1820 to 1860 in America.
End Bracket - The two supporting metal grips which hold a drapery rod to the wall or ceiling. They control the amount of projection.
End Housing - Refers to the box parts at the extreme ends of a traverse drapery rod. They enclose the mechanism through which the cords run.
End Pleat - The final pleat in a drapery, hooked into the end bracket.
English Sash Window - A sliding frame consisting of a number of rectangular shaped glass panels. Also called Renaissance sash.
F
Fabric Finishes - Treatments used to give the fabric more durability, decoration, and usefulness. These can be chemical or mechanical.
Fabric Sliding Panels - Panels of fabric which are drawn with a baton. These are flat, overlapping, and are installed on a track rod.
Face Fabric - The primary fabric on draperies or curtains. This is the fabric which faces the interior of the room.
Facing - A strip of fabric over the main fabric, with the purpose of hiding raw edges and unlined curtains or draperies.
Factory-Made Treatments - Custom specifications in hard window treatments ordered from a manufacturer or factory. These include: shades, shutters, blinds and screens.
Fan Folding - Fan folding helps to obliterate wrinkling, set the folds and give better drapability. This is done by folding pleated draperies into a thin band.
Fascia - A board of rectangular shape, set horizontally with the purpose of covering a curtain heading or shade fixture.
Federal Period - A design period dating from 1790 to 1820. Also called Neoclassic.
Fenestration - Location and proportion of windows in relationship to solid wall areas.
Festoon - A decorative drapery treatment of folded fabric
that hangs in a graceful curve, and frames the top of a window. Also called Parisian shade.
Finial - Decorative end piece on café rods or decorative traverse rods (also referred to as "pole ends").
Finished Length - This is the length after draperies have been made, using the extra allowances in hem and heading. Finished Width - This is the width after draperies have been made. This is found by measuring the length of the mounting board or rod, and then adding in the depth of any returns.
Fixed Glass - Term used to describe windows which are not made to open or close.
Flat Curtain Rod - A curtain rod, different from a traverse rod, because it does not use a pulley and cord to operate. Flemish Heading - A goblet type of heading where each of the pleats are connected along their base using a handsewn cord.

Flounce - A technique adding an extra long heading sewn at top of a rod pocket, and having the curtain fall over the rod pocket, to create the appearance of a short attached valance.
French Door Draw - A swinging door or casement window with one-way traverse rods attached.
French Doors - Doors in a pair, which are lengthwise, mostly made up of glass panes.
French Pleats - This is a three-fold pleat and the one most often used in draperies.
French Seam - A seam most often used when the seam will be visible, or when using lightweight fabrics.
Fringe - An edging with hanging tassels or threads, used as decoration.
Fullness - The proportion of the finished width of the valance or curtain to the length of the mounting board or rod. G
Gathered Heading - A heading for a curtain or valance, in which the heading is gathered by means of gathering tape.
Gathering Tape - A tape stitched to the top of a curtain to create a gathered effect by pulling on cords which run through the tape.
Gathers - Folding and puckering are formed when pulling on loosely stitched thread.
Georgian Period - A design period which dates from 1700 to 1790.
Glue-Baste - A technique using glue to secure two pieces of fabric together before sewing.
Goblet Heading - A curtain heading having a series of handsewn tubes, in which each of their tops are stuffed with padding or contrast fabric.
Goblet Pleats - Similar to pinch pleats, except having the top edge padded and pushed out in a goblet type of shape.
Greenhouse Window - A window that generally extends at a 90-degree angle from the wall, has glass top and sides and two accompanying shelves for plants.
Group Pleat - A set of, generally 3, pleats with space between each one.
H
Half-Canopy -A canopy above a bed in a rectangular shape, which extends only partially from the headboard down the bed.
Heading - The hemmed, usually stiffened, portion across the top of a curtain or drapery.
Hem - Refers to finished sides and bottom edges of a drapery.
Holdback - A decorative piece of hardware that holds draperies to each side of the window.
I
Insert Pulley - An auxiliary traverse rod part, over which the cords operate.
Inside Mount - A treatment installed inside of a window frame.
Installation - A process which undergoes the various aspects of placing and setting a window treatment.
Interlining - A fabric, usually of soft material, sewn in between the curtain and the back lining to improve bulk, insulation, and overall drapability.
Inverted Pleat - A pleat formed the opposite way of a traditional box pleat, in which the edges of the pleat meet in the middle right side of the fabric. Also know as the kick pleat.

J
Jabot - A decorative vertical end of an over treatment that usually finishes a horizontal festoon.
Jalousie Window - A window made up from a number of horizontal slants, delivering good ventilation properties.

Jamb - Interior sides of a door or window frame.
K
Keystone Arch - An arch used as part of a wood molding for decoration. It is rounded and Roman in style.
Knife Pleats - Narrow, finely pressed and closely spaced pleats which all go in the same direction.

L
Lambrequin - A cornice that completely frames the window.
Sometimes used interchangeably with valance or cantonniere.
Laminated Weights - Weight covered on both sides to avoid rust marks on drapery.
Lanai - A type of window covering made up of a series of hinged, rigid plastic panels, hung from a traverse track.
Lapped Seam - A seam, which is most useful for matching patterns together on the right sides of two separate pieces of fabric.
Lining - A fabric backing for a drapery.
Lintel - Lintels are wood, steel, or reinforced concrete beams placed over both window and door openings to hold up the wall and roof above.
Lit a la Polonnaise - A drape set made to fall from a center point above a bed.
Lock Stitch - A stitch purposely made loose, to give way for a little movement. An excellent stitch when used for holding together fabrics, linings and interlinings.
Louvers - Slats generally made from metal, wood or plastic.
These can be horizontal or vertical and are used for blinds and shutters.
M
Master Carrier - Two arms that overlap in center of rod when draperies are closed, allowing draperies to close completely.
Milium - Trade name for a thermal lining.
Miniblinds - Miniblinds have a series of 1 -inch horizontal metal or plastic slats, which are held together with a cord. They can be tilted and lifted. Micro-miniblinds are similar except that the slats are only a $1 / 2$ inch.
Miter - A technique in folding the fabric as to keep excess fabric out of sight and to eliminate bulk.
Mitered Corner - The formation of the bottom edge of drapery with a 45-degree angle on hem side.
Modern Period - A design period dating from 1900 to present.
Mullion - The vertical wood or masonry sections between a series of window frames.
Multi-Draw - A simultaneous opening and closing of several draperies on one rod at one time.
Muntin - The horizontal wood strips that separate panes of glass in windows.

## N

Neoclassic Period - A design period dating from 1760 to 1789 in France, 1770 to 1820 in England and 1790 to 1820 in America.
Notch - A tiny cut, usually in a v-shape, at the edge of a fabric.
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Off-Center - A window not centered on a wall. Draperies still meet at its center point.
One-Way Draw - Drapery designed to draw one way only, in one panel.
Opacity - A degree measuring the amount to which solid material blocks view and light.
Open Cuff - This is on the backside of drapery and at top. Open cuffs make one of the strongest type headings on any drapery. This results when you carry both fabrics to the top
and make a turn with the crinoline.
Oriel Bay - Similar to a corbel bay window, but having the second story window descend down to the first floor.
Orientation - A term used to describe the direction in which a window faces, north, east, south or west.
Outside Mount - A treatment installed over and to the side of a window frame on the wall.
Overdraperies - A layer of drapery fabric which is installed over an existing layer of drapery.
Overlap - The overlap of a pair of draperies is that part of a drapery panel, which rides the master carrier of a traverse rod, and overlaps in the center when draperies are drawn closed. Usually $31 / 2$ " on each side.
P
Padded Edge - A fabric border rolled and stuffed to form a long round shape.
Palladian Window - A window consisting of a high, rounded, middle section and two lower squared sections at each side. Also know as a Venetian Window.
Panel - One half of a pair of draperies or curtains.
Passementerie - This term is used to describe the vast range of trimmings and decorative edges.
Pattern Repeat - The distance between any given point in a
design to where that exact point is repeated again.
Pelmet - A upholstered wood cornice or stiffened and shaped valance.
Pencil Pleat Heading - A heading for a curtain which is
formed by a certain tape, where as when drawn up it creates a column of tightly packed folds.
Period Window Treatment - Refers to historically designed treatments from any specific design period.
Picture Window - A type of window with a large center glass area with usually two smaller glass areas on each side.
Pinch Pleats - A drapery heading where the basic pleat is divided into two or three smaller, equal pleats, sewn together at the bottom edge on the right side of the fabric.
Pin-On-Hook - A metal pin to fasten draperies to a rod. It pins into drapery pleat and hooks to traverse carrier or café rod.
Piping - Cords used at the edges of a curtain for added effects, usually fabric covered and put in through a seam. Pivot - While sewing corners, this technique has one stop the machine with the needle down in the fabric still, and then turn the fabric at the corner before continuing to stitch.
Plate Glass - A design which was popular from the seventeenth century to the nineteenth century in France. Molten glass is ironed smooth after being poured onto a table, and then made into large sheets.
Pleat - A fold of cloth sewn into place to create fullness.
Pleat To - The finished width of the fabric after it has been pleated. Example: A width of 48 " fabric has been pleated to 18" - "Pleat To" 18".
Pleater Tape - Pocketed heading material designed to be used with pleating hooks.
Polonnaise - A bed set against the wall lengthwise, having a small ascending dome.
Portiere - A term used to describe a doorway treatment, either a hung curtain or drapery.
Pouf Shade - Shades or valances with a soft looking fabric and a gathered hem.
Pressing - An important part of sewing technique. With an iron selected to the appropriate setting for a particular fabric, a steaming method is used by lifting the iron up and pressing it down, instead of sliding it across the fabric in a traditional ironing way.
Principles of Design - The theory of design made possible
by manipulating the elements of design to create proper balance, emphasis, proportion and scale.
Priscilla Curtains - Curtains with ruffled valance, sides, bottom, hem and ties. They are usually made from sheer or opaque fabrics and sometimes they meet in the center or cross in center.
Projection - Refers to a jutting out, an extension. On a curtain or drapery rod, it is that part which returns to the wall from the front of the rod.
Protractor - A drapery tool by which exact angles are measured (as in bay windows).
R
Railroading - Some decorator fabrics use railroading in correspondence to widths for floor-length treatments. In this technique the lengthwise grain runs in a horizontal manner across the window treatment, making vertical seams unnecessary.
Ready-Mades - Standard size draperies, factory-made and available at local stores or through mail order sources.
Renaissance Period - A design period dating from 1400 to 1600 in Italy, 1589 to 1643 in France and 1558 to 1649 in England. An era full of art, literature, architecture and science.
Repeat - The space from one design motif to the next one on a patterned fabric.
Return - The distance from the face of the rod to the wall of casing where the bracket is attached.
Reveals - Sides to a window opening, with right angles facing the wall and window.
Rococo Period - A French design period dating from 1730 to 1760, where decorations were curved, asymmetrical and ornamental.
Rod - A metal or plastic device from which curtains are hung. It is used when a pole is not being used. Double rods are used for two layers of fabric.
Rod Pocket - A hollow sleeve in the top - and sometimes the bottom - of a curtain or drapery through which a rod is inserted. The rod is then attached to a solid wall surface.
Rod Width - Measures the width between the end of a bracket to the end of the other bracket including the stackback and window width.
Roller Shade - A shade operated by a device with a spring. When the spring is let loose, the shade coils itself around the device's cylinder.
Roman Shade - A corded shade with rods set horizontally in back to give the shade a number of neat side-set pleats or folds when raised.
RTB - Rod top and bottom.
Ruching - A thin area of pleated or gathered fabric, often used for trimming or tie-backs.
Ruffle - A decorative trimming consisting of a strip of gathered fabric.
R-Value - A window treatment, ceiling or wall's capacity to keep heat in or out.
S
Sash - A wooden frame used to hold the glass of swinging and sliding windows, around either a door or window.
Sash Curtain - Any sheer material hung close to the window glass. Usually hung from spring tension rods or sash rods mounted inside the window casing.
Sash Rod - A small rod, either decorative or plain, usually mounted inside a window frame on the sash.
Scalloped Heading - A popular top treatment for café curtains featuring semi-circular spaces between curtain rings.
Seam - The stitching of two pieces of fabric together at right sides, leaving the stitches hidden behind on the wrong side
of the fabric, for a clean finished look on the right side.
Seam Allowance - A slim extra allowance in the fabric between the line for stitching and the raw edge of the fabric. Selvedge - The tightly woven edge on a width of fabric to hold the fabric together.
Shade - A window covering usually made from cloth or vinyl that covers the glass, and rolls up or down off of the window.
Sheet Glass - Popular in the twenty first century, large sheets of glass are created by casting or drawing and then used for glazing.
Shirring - A rod that is smaller than the fabric width is slid through a rod pocket to create a gathered effect in the fabric.
Shoji Screen - An oriental design using a wood grid to attach paper, forming a translucent effect in sliding or stationary panels.
Shutters - A series of folding wood panels, which are hung by a side hinge.
Side Hem - The turned part forming a finished edge at the side of the drapery.
Sill - The horizontal "ledge-like" portion of a window casing.
Skylights - A window set into a ceiling or roof, made from glass or plastic.
Slides - Small runners installed in a traverse rod which hold a drapery pin or hook.
Slip Stitch - Matching colored thread is used to stitch the folded edge of a lining to the base fabric.
Smocked Heading - A curtain heading consisting of a honeycomb effect. A heading full of pencil pleats hooked together at specific spacing give this effect.
Spacing - Refers to the flat space between pleats; the fuller the drapery, the less the spacing.
Spanish Arch - A rounded arch designed in a Spanish fashion.
Stacking - The area required for draperies when they are completely opened. Also referred to as stackback.
Swag - A section of draped fabric above a window.
T
Tails - Shaped and stiffened, or free falling, hanging trails of fabric from the end of swags.
Tambour Curtains - Curtains that originally were used as folk craft in Scandinavia, they are lightweight or sheer fabrics, embroidered.
Tape-Gathered Heading - A gathered effect for curtain headings, using thin threaded tape sewn onto the top of a curtain and then pulled by the parallel threads.
Tension Pulley - The pulley attachment through which the traverse cords move for one continuous smooth operation when drapery is drawn. May be mounted on a baseboard, casing or wall, on one or both sides.

Tester - A canopy supported by a bed with tall corner posts.
Tie - A thin strip of fabric which is used with tie-backs to secure a drapery to a wall. The tie can be decorated or shaped.
Tie-backs - Decorative pieces of hardware, sometimes called holdbacks. Available in many forms and designed to hold draperies back from the window to allow light passage or add an additional decorative touch to the window treatment.
Tier - Curtain layers arranged one above the other with a normal overlap of 4". Upper tiers project from the wall at a greater distance than lower panels to allow each curtain to hang free.
Traverse - To draw across. A traverse drapery is one that opens or closes across a window by means of the traverse rod from which it is hung.
Traverse Rod - A rod which is operated by a cord and pulley.
Turkish Bed - A thin bed set back into a draped alcove. U
Under-Draperies - A lightweight drapery, usually a sheer, closest to the window glass. It hangs beneath a heavier over-drapery.
V
Valance - A valance is a horizontal decorative fabric treatment used at the top of draperies to screen hardware and cords.
Victorian - A design period dating from 1837 to 1910 in England and 1840 to 1920 in America.
W
Wall Fasteners - Window treatments are fastened to hollow walls using toggle bolts or molly bolts.
Weave - The act of interlacing when forming a piece of fabric.
Weights - (chain and lead) Lead weights are sewn in at the vertical seams and each corner of drapery panel. Chain weights are small beads strung in a line along bottom hemline of sheers, to insure an even hemline and straight hanging.
Width - A word to describe a single width of fabric. Several widths of fabric are sewn together to make a panel of drapery. "Panel" is sometimes used in referring to a width of fabric. Z

Zigzag Stitch - One of various sewing machine settings. In this stitch the needle moves back and forth, at the desired length and width, in a zigzag pattern. This stitch is often used for finishing seams.

## Glossary of Fabric Terms

A
Acetate - Used to make many persuasive artificial silks. It has similar draping and finish qualities as silk but less likely to rot or fade.
Acrylic - A soft lightweight fabric made from a synthetic long-chain polymer, primarily made up of acryloni-

## trile.

Aluminum-Coated - A lining used to help exclude light, heat and cold. It is not visible, as it faces inside the fabric, while the outside of the fabric shows woven cream cotton.
Antique Satin - One of the most common drapery fabrics sold. Characterized by a lustrous effect, normally composed of rayon/ acetate blends.
B
Baize - Similar to flannel, dyed green or red. Mostly used for lining in silverware drawers and card tables. It's texture and color make it convenient for improvised shades or curtains. Fades in sunlight.
Basketweave - Plain under-and-over weave; primarily in draperies.
Batik - A dyeing technique developed in Java, where dye is applied and then washed, leaving bold patterns.
Batiste - A soft finished fabric, which has a high count of fine yarns. It is more opaque than voiles. Usually composed of $100 \%$ polyester or a polyester blend.
Batting - A man-made fluffy fiber, used for padding edges.
Bias - A diagonal line which intersects the crosswise and lengthwise grain of any fabric. Woven fabrics, which do not stretch at the crosswise or lengthwise grains, do stretch at the bias.
Blackout - A heavy interlining where a layer of opaque material is placed between two pieces of cotton to block out any light. Improves the drapability qualities. It is most often white or cream.
Boucle - French for curled, indicates a curled or looped surface.
Broadcloth - (1) A medium to heavyweight twill blend or worsted wool fabric which is napped and felted. (2) A cotton fabric similar to muslin, due to its fine crosswise cords.
Brocade - Rich jacquard - woven fabric with all-over interwoven design of raised figures or flowers. Brocade has a raised surface in contrast to felt damask, and is generally made of silk, rayon and nylon yarns with or without metallic treatment.
Brocatelle - Usually made of silk or wool, with brocade similarities.
Bump - Interlining imported from England, heavy weight, cotton, and available bleached or unbleached. Similar to table felt and reinforcement felt, but slightly stiffer. Cotton flannel is often used instead of bump. Burlap - Coarse, canvas-like fabric made of jute, hemp or cotton. Also called Gunny.
C
Canvas - A heavy woven cotton and linen blend. Similar to cotton duck.
Casements - Open weave casual fabric, characterized by its instability.
Challis - One of the softest fabrics made. Normally
made of rayon and also combined with cotton.
Cheesecloth - Cheap and loosely woven, this fabric will easily fade, wrinkle and shrink. Similar to muslin. Chiffon - A transparent sheer fabric, given a soft finish.
Chintz - Glazed cotton fabric often printed with gay figures and large flower designs. Some glazes will wash out in laundering. The only durable glaze is a resin finish which will withstand washing or dry cleaning. Unglazed chintz is called cretonne.
Corduroy - A cut filling-pile cloth with narrow to wide wales which run in the warp direction of the goods and made possible by the use of an extra set of filling yarns in the construction. The back is of plain or twill weave, the latter affording the better construction. Washable types are available and stretch and durable press garments of corduroy are very popular. Usually an all-cotton cloth, some of the goods are now made with nylon or rayon pile effect on a cotton backing fabric or with polyester-cotton blends.
Cotton - An inexpensive versatile fiber which can be printed, dyed and finished in numerous ways. It also has the ability to be made colorfast and withstand light and heat. It is popular among furnishing fabrics when used alone or as a cotton blend. Its shortcomings include crushing and mildewing.
Cotton Duck - A cotton differing in weight from 7 to 15 oz. per yard. Heavier types are ideal for no-sew curtains due to the fact that lining is unnecessary and the edges can be glued or pinked.
Cotton Lawn - Finely woven cotton, given an extremely smooth finish.
Crash - A coarse fabric having a rough irregular surface obtained by weaving thick uneven yarns. Usually cotton or linen, sometimes spun rayon or blends.
Cretonne - A cotton fabric usually having printed floral or angular shapes. It is a plain weave, unglazed and coarser than chintz.
Crewelwork - Indian Cotton, wool or linen fabric adorned with wool chain stitching. Most often on a cream background. Used as early American and English bed hangings.
Crinoline - A heavily sized, stiff fabric used as a foundation to support the edge of a hem or puffed sleeve. Also used as interlining. This is also referred to as Buckram.
Crosswise Grain - Crosswise grain runs perpendicular to the selvages on woven fabric.
D
Dacron - A synthetic fiber with good filling and padding qualities.
Damask - Firm, glossy jacquard-patterned fabric.
Damask is Similar to brocade, but flatter and reversible. It can be made from linen, cotton, rayon or silk, or a combination of fibers.
Denim - A sturdy fabric, mostly in dark blue, twill weave. Also called jean.
Domette - A lightweight cotton interlining imported from England. Similar to American needle-punched fleece. It is used with light shades, curtains and swags.
Dotted Swiss - A sheer fabric with opaque dots,
sometimes given a raised texture.
Double Knit - A fabric knitted with a double stitch on a double needle frame to provide a double thickness and is the same on both sides. It has excellent body and stability.
Dupion - Textured, real or synthetic silk. It is lightweight, which gives this fabric the tendency to rot or fade. Synthetic dupion is made from viscose and acetate. The real silk dupion is usually imported from India.

## E

Eyelet - Embroidered white cotton fabric often used for shades left unlined, or light curtains.

## F

Fabric Identification Label - This label will tell the fiber content, width, and care method for the fabric, and sometimes the pattern repeat. The fabric identification label is found on the bolt or tube of fabric.
Faille - Plain weave (flat-rib); with filling yarns heavier than warp.
Figured Material - A fabric whose pattern is created from the structure of the weave.
Foamback - Term used to denote that a fabric has been laminated to a backing of polyurethane foam.
Fusible Buckram - A strip of white cotton filled with glue and used as a stiffener. Good for use inside of hand-pleated headings to avoid the visibility of machine stitching. It is fused to the fabric with a hot iron.
Fusible Heavyweight Buckram - An open-weave stiffener, made from jute and filled with glue. It is used for the base of a cornice. A hot iron will fuse it in place, releasing the glue.
G
Gauze - A sheer, but coarse fabric, available in a variety of thread thicknesses.
Gimp - A wind of fabric which can be stiffened with wire or cord.
Gingham - A cheap classic cotton fabric with a checkered pattern. The checkers come in a variety of sizes and mostly primary colors.
Glassing - Thin finish provides luster, sheen, shine or polish to some fabrics. Chintz is an example of a glazed fabric.
Grosgrain - A silk fabric with a ribbed texture on surface.
H
Hand, Handle - The reaction of the sense of touch, when fabrics are held in the hand. There are many factors which give "character or individuality" to a material observed through handling. A correct judgment may thus be made concerning its capabilities in content, working properties, drapability, feel, elasticity, fineness and softness, launderability, etc.
Herringbone - A versatile medium weight fabric with a zigzag pattern, named after the spine of the herring fish. It is a novelty twill weave, available mostly in neutral colors. Also called Chevron.
Holland - A linen or cotton medium-weight fabric, fade resistant and sturdy, also stiffened with oil or shellac. It is standard for valances and roller shades due to its non-fraying edges.
I
Ikat - Chinese cotton or silk fabric with faint geometric patterns due to a process of tie dying.

Inherent Flame Frees - Fabric woven of flame-resistant fabric (not processed) and flame-free for life of the fabric. Interfacing - A fabric stiffener used to give support and hold the shape of the fabric.

J
Jacquard - A loom which can produce woven patterns in a variety of colors. The patterns are known for being intricate and large.
Jute - An inexpensive, easily available and long lasting fabric. It can be dyed and comes in a neutral color. Like linen, it is one of the most important fabrics.
K
Khaki - A beige or earth toned, plain or twill weave fabric with a wide range of uses.
L
Lace - Openwork fabric generally made from cotton, created from twisting and knotting threads against a net-like background to form the desired design. Lace has an endless variety of designs. It is convenient for glass curtains.
Lengthwise Grain - Fabrics are typically stronger along the lengthwise grain. The lengthwise grain runs parallel to the selvages on woven fabric.
Linen - This is a product of the flax plant. Among the properties of linen are rapid moisture absorption, no fuzziness, does not soil quickly, a neutral luster and stiffness.
Linen Union - Cotton linen blend fabric, durable and reasonably priced.

## M

Madras Cotton - Inexpensive Indian cotton, woven in a checkered, plaid or striped fashion, brightly colored. Sometimes referred to as sari fabric.
Marquisette - Usually made from synthetic fibers, an open mesh and thin fabric.
Matelasse - Appearance of a quilted weave; figured pattern with a raised, bubbly surface.
Mesh - A term used to describe textiles or open-weave fabrics having a net-like structure.
Modacrylic - A modified fiber in which the fiber-forming substance of any long-chain synthetic polymer is composed of less than $85 \%$, but at least $25 \%$ of weight of acrylonitrile units.
Mohair - Comes from the Angora goat. It is lighter weight drapery fabric; slightly brushed or hairy finish. Moiré - A finish given cotton, silk, acetate, rayon, nylon, etc., where bright and dim effects are observed. This is achieved by passing the fabric between engraved rollers which press the particular motif into the fabric.
Moreen - A heavyweight fabric in a wool or wool and cotton blend fabric, usually having a watered pattern. Muslin - Usually in white or off-white color, this fabric is sheer and delicately woven, but strong.
N
Ninon - A smooth, transparent, high textured type of voile fabric. Usually made from 100\% polyester.
Non-Fusible Buckram - A medium-weight cotton stiffener, used to sew into tie-backs.
Non-Fusible Heavyweight Buckram - Two-ply double starched stiffener made from jute; unlike fusible heavyweight buckram, it is sewn onto the cornice instead of fused. It is also easier to clean than the fusible kind.
Nylon - A durable and versatile fabric, made up from a long-chain polymer, originating from petroleum, air,
natural gas and water. It has remarkable strength and is moderately priced.
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Olefin - A wax-like fiber, made from petroleum products. It is lightweight but strong, and inexpensive.
Ombre - A graduate or shade effect of color used in a striped motif. Usually ranges from light to dark tones. Also called jaspe or strie.
Organdy - Very light and thin, transparent, stiff and wiry cotton cloth. Will withstand repeated launderings and still retain its crispness. Organdy is a true, durable finish cloth.

## P

Padding - A soft and bulky fabric used for stuffing or

## filling.

Paisley - A timeless motif, this fine woolen cloth has detailed pine, floral or scroll type designs printed or woven onto it.
Plaid - A fabric which can be printed or woven with rectangular and square shapes in a variety of colors.
Plush - A favorite of the Victorian era, this fabric is an old fashioned form of velvet made from wool, mohair, and less often cotton, with a deeper but more thinly scattered pile. Now in modern times it is man made.
Polyester - A stable fabric which displays excellent drapability. This fabric can be woven or knit.
Poplin - Sometimes printed decoratively, this is a plain weave with raised, circular weft cords created with large filling threads. Can be cotton, blend or synthetic and has a variety of uses.

## R

Raw Edge - The edge of a fabric which is cut, having neither selvage nor hem.
Rayon - Displays a texture similar to silk, in touch and visibility. Rayon is available in a vast range of textures and types.
Repp - A fabric having ribbed qualities or appearance. S
Saran - A plastic vinyl fiber, durable and colorfast.
Sateen - A firmly woven, strong cotton or cotton blend fabric, usually having stripes or bright solid colors. The finish is smooth and shiny.
Satin Weave - One of the three basic weaves, the others being plain weave and the twill weave. The surface of satin weave cloth is almost made up entirely of warp or filling floats since in the repeat of the weave, each yarn of the one system passes or floats over or under all but one yarn of the opposite yarn system. Satin weaves have a host of uses - brocade, brocatelle, damask other decorative materials.
Selvage - Each side edge of a woven fabric and an actual part of the warp in the goods. Other names for it are listing, self-edge, and raw edge.
Shantung - An inconsistently textured raw silk, at one time hand woven in China's Shantung Province.
Silk - The only natural fiber that comes in a filament form, reeled from the cocoon, cultivated or wild.
Slub Yarn - Yarn of any type which is irregular in diameter; may be caused by error, or purposely made with slubs to bring out some desired effect to enhance a material.
Suede Cloth - A fabric made to be similar to suede
leather in visibility and touch.
T
Taffeta - A fine plain weave fabric smooth on both sides, usually with a sheen on its surface.
Tapestry - A heavy well insulating fabric, at one time made in replication of hand-sewn tapestries, but is now produced on a jacquard loom.
Tartan - A woolen cloth fabric made up of a specific checkered pattern, having particular colors of a certain Scottish clan. This fabric has great insulating qualities.
Terry Cloth - This cloth fabric has uncut loops on both sides of the cloth. Terry is also made on a jacquard loom to form interesting motifs.
Texture - (1) The actual number of warp threads and filling picks per inch in any cloth that has been woven. (2) The finish and appearance of cloth.

Thread Count - (1) The actual number of warp ends and filling picks per inch in a woven cloth. Texture is another name for this term. (2) In knitted fabric, thread count implies the number of wales or ribs, and the courses per inch.
Ticking - A striped cotton fabric, traditionally made up of only black and white, but now ticking comes in a wide variety of colors. It is used for covering mattresses, cushion pads, or can be made into curtains and shades.
Tricot - Usually made from nylon, this soft and thin fabric is made with crosswise elastic ribs in the back, and non-elastic on top. It is seldom used for draperies due to its lack of body, but is beneficial for custom sheeting.
Tussah Silk - A raw, typically Indian silk, in a yellow-ish-brown color, difficult to dye.
V
Velour - (1) A term loosely applied to cut pile cloths in general; also to fabrics with a fine raised finish. (2) A cut pile cotton fabric comparable with cotton velvet, but with a greater and denser pile. (3) A staple, highgrade woolen fabric which has a close, fine, dense, erect, and even nap which provides a soft, pleasing hand.
Velvet - A warp pile cloth in which a succession of rows of short cut pile stand so close together as to give an even, uniform surface. When the pile is more than one-eighth of an inch high, the cloth is usually called Plus.
Viscose (Rayon) - The most ancient of man-made fiber, well know for its distinctive sheen used in highlighting patterns, and ability to add luster and strength to cotton and silk blends.
Voile - A thin open mesh cloth made by a variation of plain weave. Most voiles are made of polyester. Similar to ninon, but with a much finer denier of yarn with a very soft, drapable hand.
W
Warp - The yarns which run vertically or lengthwise in woven fabric.
Weft Yarn - The yarn runs horizontal or cross yarns. Wool - An expensive versatile fabric which comes from the fleece of domesticated sheep. It has excellent insulating uses and is wrinkle and flame resistant.
Worsted - Fabric made of twisted yarn, of a wool type.

## Textile Fibers and Their Properties

NATURAL FIBERS
COTTON
Drapability:
Color fastness:
Sun resistance:
Abrasion resistance:
Sagging:
Resiliency:
Care:
excellent hang, soft hand good, vat dyes best
excellent, does not sun rot excellent
does not stretch, except when wet
poor, packs easily, wrinkles easily, very absorbent, burns
wash or dry clean and iron at high temperature

Cotton generally wears excellently in drapery (print or plains).

LINEN OR FLAX

Drapability:
Color fastness:
Sun resistance:
Abrasion resistance:
Sagging:
Resiliency:
Care:
good hang, but not as soft as cotton good to poor, prints do not hold their color as well as plain fabrics excellent, does not sun rot excellent
strong, does not stretch poor, packs badly, does wrinkle dry clean and iron at high temperature

Linens are excellent in plain and casement fabric and good in prints.

SILK

| Drapability: | good hang, medium to soft hand |
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| Color fastness: | good |
| Sun resistance: | poor, rots in short time, lining helps |
| Abrasion resistance: | good |
| Sagging: | strong, does not sag |
| Resiliency: | good, does not pack badly <br> Care: |
|  | dry clean and iron at medium <br> temperature |

Little silk is used in drapery today. This is due to sun rot and cost.

## WOOL

There is virtually none used in drapery fabric.

## MAN-MADE

## RAYON

Drapability:
Color fastness:
Sun resistance:
Abrasion resistance: good, but not as good as nyion or cotton
Sagging: poor, stretches in loose yarns, but OK in tight woven fabrics
Resiliency: good, does not pack, wrinkles less than cotton or linen
Care: $\quad$ dry clean and iron at medium temperature
Rayon is blended with other fibers: cotton, acetate and linen.

ACETATE
Drapability:
Color fastness:
Sun resistance:
good hand, soft hand good (solution dyed) good, not as good as cotton and linen
Abrasion resistance: good, but not as good as cotton or nylon
Sagging: poor stretches in loose yarns, but OK in tight woven fabrics
Resiliency: good, does not pack, wrinkles less than cotton or linen
Care: dry clean and iron at low temperature
Blends well with other fibers, rayon and nylon.
POLYESTER
Drapability:
Color fastness: good to excellent
Sun resistance: excellent
Abrasion resistance: good, sheers must be handled with care. Fabric can be bruised.
Sagging:
Resiliency:
Care: $\quad$ wash or dry clean and iron at low temperature temperature

Polyester is an excellent fabric for most drapery applications. It blends well with other fibers. In polyester cotton blends, cotton wrinkles less.

## NYLON

Drapability: good, soft to stiff hand, not as soft as polyesters
Color fastness: good to excellent
Sun resistance: poor
Abrasion resistance: excellent
Sagging: excellent, does not sag
Resiliency: excellent, does not pack, wrinkle free
Care: dry clean and iron at low temperature
Nylon is not widely used in drapery fabric.

## ACRYLIC

Drapability:
Color fastness:
Sun resistance:
Abrasion resistance:
Sagging:
Resiliency: polyester. Modacrylics are flameproof.

DYNEL
Drapability: excellent, soft hand like acrylic
Color fastness: excellent
Sun resistance: good to excellent
Abrasion resistance: excellent
Sagging:
Resiliency:
Care:

Care: $\quad$ dry clean and iron at low temperature $50^{\circ}$
Acrylic fabrics hang well and do not sag. Can be blended with
excellent, very soft hand excellent, if solution dyed excellent, good as cotton or linen good very good, does not stretch very good, does not pack and wrinkle free excellent compared to rayon or acetate very good, does not pack, wrinkle free, low flamability Wash only, ironing does not affect it much, use low heat

# Drapery Fabrics Look and Performance 

## Satins and Jacquards

Usually the most formal and traditional, they are generally made from tightly woven, heavy, soft material which hangs straight from top to bottom in (formal) folds.

## Casements, Open Weaves

These have a lighter, more casual feel. They are usually made from loosely woven, textured yarns that hang in looser folds than the formal satins and Jacquards.

## Sheers

Made of soft, see-through fabrics, sheers are appropriate in most decors. Light and airy, they are sometimes used in combination with heavier draperies in more formal settings. They are billowy unless weighted, and can be made to drape quite well.

## Prints

Suitable in most decors, prints are made from a light, tightly woven fabric, usually cotton or cotton-polyester blends.

Drapery Linings
Linings add substantially to the luxurious appearance necessary for good window treatments, and also provide a fuller pleated look for maintaining a soft drapable hand.

The lined-look provides uniformity to the exterior appearance of a home while allowing a broad choice of textures, weaves, colors and patterns for the interior.

The combination of sunlight and air pollution will eventually take its toll on all colors. There is no such thing as an absolutely colorfast material or dye. Some colors, however will show fading more dramatically than others. Bright colors tend to show fading more than subdued tones, and solids before prints.

Linings help draperies last longer. They afford some protection against sun and fading. They also protect the draperies from water stains - either from condensation on the inside of the window or from a sudden shower.

Insulated linings contribute to energy conservation, keeping homes cooler in summer and warmer in winter.

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