

PLEATED DRAPERY MEASUREMENT INSTRUCTIONS

We always recommend using a metal tape to do your measurements.

1. Measure the width of the area you would like to cover:

- Measure your opening from left to right. If your opening has molding please measure from outside molding to outside molding left to right.

Tips:

*We recommend whenever possible to extend out from the edges of your windows or doors as much as 6"-12" on each side. This will help make the area look larger, and will also help maintain as much natural light as possible when the drapery is open.

*If ordering drapery that does not need to close (stationary panels), you can consider ordering a drapery with less coverage while still getting a finished, professional look. Contact our experts for advice or special requests (such as flat panels): cs@halfpricedrapes.com or call 1.866.413.7273.

2. Determine Number of Panels Needed:

- For **Custom/Made to Measure** pleated panels take your measurement, divide by 2 and add 6" for overlap and return (ends of the panels that will overlap when closed and return to the wall on either end). You will order 2 panels that size. Panels will be made using 2 times fullness.
- For **Custom Made** pleated panels in the sizes selected off the website you will take your measurement, divide by 2 and add 6" for overlap and return (ends of the panels that will overlap when closed and return to the wall on either end). Generally you will be able to order 25" or 50" pleated panels from the website. Take your measurement and divide it by the size(s) selected to determine proper number of panels to order. If you get an odd number once divided ($82" / 25" = 3.2$) we suggest ordering an extra panel ($3.2 = 4$). By doing this you will then have an even amount of panels on each side of the opening creating a balanced look.

Tips:

*If you want your draperies to hang completely off the window when opened so as not to block a view, you will want to add more into your width measurement Stack Back purposes. In general you will need 33% more width if using a track/traverse rod and about 20% more width if using a decorative pole and rings.

3. Select Finished Length:

- For **Custom/Made to Measure** pleated panels keep in mind the hardware type you will be using and where it will be mounted. If using a decorative pole and rings you will measure from the bottom of the ring to the floor. That measurement will be your finished length. If using a track system measure from the bottom of the track down to the floor. This will be your finished length.
- For **Custom Made** pleated panels in the sizes selected off the website keep in mind the hardware type you will be using and where it will be mounted. If using a decorative pole and rings you will measure from the bottom of the ring to the floor. That measurement will be your finished length. If using a track system measure from the bottom of the track down to the floor. This will be your finished length. Pleated panels on our website are generally sold in 84", 96", 108" & 120" lengths. You will choose the closest one to the measurement you have.

Tips:

*Choose a finished length that is long enough so that the drapery may be installed as high above the window / door as you are comfortable with. This will give you a more dramatic finished look and help enhance your ceiling height.

*Consider a small "puddle" on your drapery. Our decades of experience have taught us that a small "puddle" or "break" of anywhere from 1"-6" often enhances the finished look. It's also a great way to disguise uneven floors. Simply add the desired puddle amount into your finished measurement.

* Please bear in mind that we use some of the finest materials available to create your Custom/Made to Measure draperies. As with all fabrics made of natural fibers, there may be slight changes due to a number of variables including but not limited to: humidity, temperature and moisture. This is to be considered normal. If this is a concern, consider ordering a length that includes a small puddle.