Foyer Lighting Measurement Cheat Sheet

Find the perfect chandelier dimensions and placement for your entryway

Take the guesswork out of entryway lighting. Use these measurements to find the exact dimensions and perfect hanging height for your space.



Core Sizing Guide

L + W (ft)
Diameter in inches for room

2.5 in
Vertical height per ceiling foot

84 in
Minimum floor clearance

8-9 ft
Floor clearance in grand foyers

36 in
Clearance above a center table

4 ft
Minimum clearance from side walls

Test the visual height

Tie a balloon to a string at your calculated drop length and tape it to the ceiling to test the placement against transom windows before hardwiring.

Find Your Ideal Frame

Find your row: **Your space and style**

Your space and style	Your pick	Why
Two-story entryway	Multi-tier structures	Adds height and vertical volume
Smaller space	Open frame	Less bulk and easy dusting
Rustic entryway	Solid iron	Heavy weight, moderate light blockage
Formal traditional	Crystal tiered	Medium weight and beautifully reflective
Coastal casual	Wood beaded	Heavy weight and high blockage
Long narrow hallway	Oval or linear fixture	Maintains Western ideals of symmetry

Check Before You Install

- ○ Measure only the immediate open zone rather than entire hallway length.
- ○ On vaulted ceilings, measure floor to the exact junction box point.
- ○ Subtract ceiling medallion thickness from your total allowable chain length.
- ○ Ensure the chandelier is centered within the front window frame.
- ○ Verify bulbs do not glare directly into the upper landing.
- ○ Review product packaging for heavy-duty ceiling joist bracing requirements.

Foyer Measurements & Notes

Enjoy welcoming your guests under a beautifully balanced and perfectly placed glowing beacon!