Window Treatment Measurement Guide

Frame your picture window perfectly with professional measurements and materials.

Master your living room picture window with these designer framing tricks. Calculate your perfect track length, fabric fullness, and stack back.



Key Dimensions & Details

15-20 in
per side for wall-only stack back

2.5x-3x
fabric fullness of total track length

1/2 in
deducted from shortest height for clearance

99%
blocking clear ceramic UV film

min 18 in
furniture clearance from glass and panels

Paint a shadow box

Painting the inner casing a dark charcoal creates a sharp border that acts like a picture frame, making lush outdoor greens pop beautifully against the dark paint.

The Measurement Sequence

1. **Measure glass width** Measure your total visible glass width exactly from edge to edge.
2. **Calculate track length** Add your stack back allowance to each side of the glass width.
3. **Check ceiling height** Measure the exact floor-to-ceiling height in three different spots.
4. **Determine panel length** Deduct your floor clearance allowance from the shortest measured height.

Material By Window View

Find your row: **Your outside view**

Your outside view	Your pick	Why
Pine forest	Unlined white linen	Creates a serene minimalist frame
City skyline	Heavy mustard velvet	Adds incredible warmth and drama
Bright coastal ocean	Sheer cotton panels	Softens the bright coastal sunlight

Pre-Installation Checks

- ◯ Locate ceiling joists to safely anchor your ceiling-mount track.
- ◯ Check manufacturer packaging for the proper heavy drapery track weight rating.
- ◯ Select low-profile planters to bridge the gap without blocking sightlines.
- ◯ Avoid stiff synthetic blackout fabrics that resist folding and balloon outward.

Project Notes & Dimensions

Enjoy your beautifully framed view and the vibrant natural light in your space.