Porch Curtain Measuring Sheet

Calculate your hardware and fabric for a perfectly tailored outdoor room.

Transforming a cramped outdoor space starts with knowing exactly how to hang your fabric. Map out your tension cable, hardware, and panels to create a defined living space.



Key Measurements

1.5x fullness, not 2x
Panel width vs post-to-post span

1 inch
Clearance above the deck surface

4 inches
Double-folded bottom hem size

48 hours
Time to leave training ribbons tied

Park panels on posts

Train gathered curtain panels to rest flat against the outer face of the posts. This preserves walkway space and frames the tiny porch beautifully.

Sewing the Hem Pocket

1. **Fold and press** Fold the raw bottom edge up to the required hem size and press flat with an iron.
2. **Double fold** Fold the fabric up a second time to enclose the raw edge completely and pin securely.
3. **Stitch the top** Stitch along the upper folded edge, leaving both side ends open to insert the weight.
4. **Chain weight in hem** Slide continuous bead chain weight entirely through the pocket before hand-stitching the side openings closed.

Your Measuring Sheet

- ○ Record post-to-post span at the exact cable mount height.
- ○ Calculate cable cut: span minus fully extended turnbuckle length.
- ○ Note panel count needed for the recommended fullness.
- ○ Measure drop length: ring bottom to floor minus deck clearance.
- ○ Measure hem-weight amount to match the continuous fabric width.

Hardware Shopping List

- ☐ Marine-grade stainless steel cable + turnbuckle
- ☐ Solution-dyed acrylic curtain panels
- ☐ Heavy-duty screw eyes for wood posts
- ☐ Continuous bead chain weight for hems
- ☐ Wide fabric ribbon for training folds

Select Turnbuckle Hardware

Find your row: **Your post material**

Your post material	Your pick	Why
Standard wood posts	Hook and Eye	Twist heavy-duty screw eye anchor
Metal columns	Jaw and Jaw	Requires a welded anchor bracket
Permanent fixed spans	Eye and Eye	Requires a through-bolt loop

Project Notes

Enjoy your beautifully tailored outdoor room, perfectly framed and ready for relaxing afternoons.