

# Measuring for Vertical Blinds

## Outside Fit ABOVE Architrave

### 1

**Measure accurately** – When outside fitting vertical blinds, there are two main approaches. The first is mounting directly onto the architrave, provided it is sturdy and at least 45mm wide. The second – and more common, stable option – is mounting above the architrave onto the wall. These instructions outline the above-architrave method

Check there is solid fixing behind the gib where the brackets will be mounted. In most cases, there are solid lintels above windows and doors for secure fixing. Because outside fit installations can vary depending on wall construction and materials, we do not supply fixings for outside fit vertical blinds. (Screws are supplied for all inside fit blinds). Ask your local hardware store for the most suitable screws and fixings for your specific situation

# 2

**Measure for width** – If you're mounting your vertical blinds on the wall, above the window architrave, you are probably planning to cover the architraves altogether. This would be the cleanest look

Measure from '**outside edge of the architrave**' on one side to '**outside edge of the architrave**' on the other side. Add 100mm to each side (200mm total). This ensures the blind comfortably overlaps the window and architrave. As the fabric hangs away from the wall slightly, this extra width helps ensure privacy is retained at the edges of the blind. You could add more if you like – on very wide openings such as large ranch sliders, 120-150mm each side can sometimes provide even better coverage – however 100mm each side is generally plenty

Before confirming your width, consider:

- Which side the blind will stack to, and ensure there is enough clear wall space for the vanes to stack neatly
- Any obstructions such as light switches, power points, alarm panels, curtain tracks, or large door handles that may affect how far you can extend the blind

Hold the measuring tape level when measuring and provide your overall width in **millimetres**

**EXAMPLE:** 2100 (outside edge to outside edge) + 100 + 100 = 2300mm



**NOTE:** In some instances, you may want the blind to be completely clear of the window or ranch-slider when stacked to one side, so you retain 100% of your view when it's open

In this case, measure as described above, then add the appropriate stack width to the stacking side only

**EXAMPLE:** 2900 (outside edge to outside edge) + 100 + 470 = 3470mm

**BLIND WIDTH**

mm	600	700	800	900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000		
mm	130	150	160	170	180	200	220	230	250	260	270	280	300	310	320	330	350	360	380	390	410	420	430	440	470		
mm	APPROXIMATE STACKING WIDTH																										

**BLIND WIDTH**

mm	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900	4000	4100	4200	4300	4400	4500	4600	4700	4800	4900	5000
mm	480	500	510	530	540	550	560	585	600	605	630	640	660	670	690	705	715	720	730	735
mm	APPROXIMATE STACKING WIDTH																			

# 3

**Measure for height** – Measure from 'outside edge of the architrave' at the top to 'outside edge of the architrave' at the bottom of the window. If it's a full-length window or door, measure right to the floor. Add 50mm to the top measurement to allow for the brackets, which will be mounted on the wall above the architrave. Hold the measuring tape vertical for accuracy and provide your drop in **millimetres**

**EXAMPLE:** 1850 (outside edge to outside edge) + 50 = 1900mm



# 4

**Supply the details** – Provide your measurements in **millimetres** (mm) as **width X drop**. Also specify which side you would like the control chain and which side the blind will stack to – either LEFT (L) or RIGHT (R). The control side and stack side are usually the same, however they can be on opposite sides if better suited to your space. Clearly state measurements as **OUTSIDE FIT**

**EXAMPLE:** 2770 X 1900, R Control, R Stack, OUTSIDE