

Aluminum Blinds

Installation Instructions

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Congratulations on purchasing aluminum blinds for your home from Blindster. To ensure that your blinds are installed properly and securely, please follow these instructions.

What You'll Need to Get Started

To install your blinds, locate the following tools:

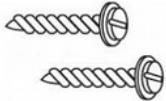
- Screwdriver
- Tape measure
- Pencil
- Drill
- Pliers
- Fasteners

After you've collected your tools, you're ready to begin the installation process.

Step 1: Choose the Correct Fastener

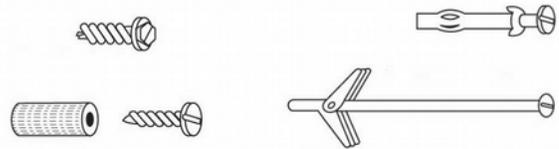
Wood Installation

If you're installing your vertical blinds in wood, use the included 1 1/2" #8 hex head wood screws (included).

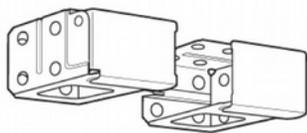


Aluminum or Concrete Installation

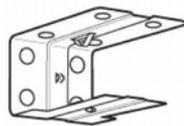
If you're installing your shade into an aluminum or concrete window frame or door, use alternative fasteners designed for those materials (not included). See the picture below for recommended fasteners.



Step 2: Prepare the Brackets

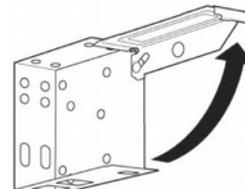


End Box
Installation Brackets



Center Support
Bracket

To prepare the brackets for installation, open the front latch by pressing on the bottom of the bracket to release the locking tab. Then, lift the front gate to get access to the inside of the bracket.



Step 3: Mark the Bracket Locations

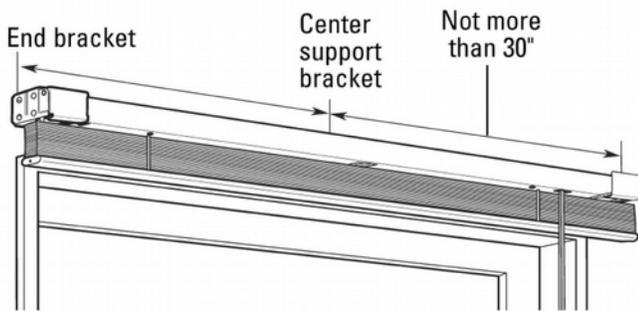
Outside Mount Installation

If you're installing your new blinds outside your window frame, position the box brackets at the end of the headrail.

If you're using a single support bracket, center it between the box brackets. For blinds that require more than one support bracket, space the brackets evenly but no more than 30" apart.

You should also make sure the brackets don't interfere with the cord or lift mechanisms.

Before attaching the brackets to the wall, mark their locations with a pencil and make sure they are level and evenly spaced.

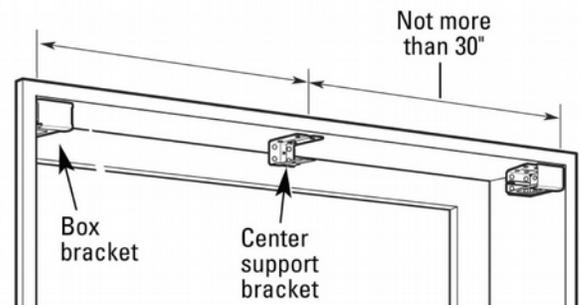


Inside Mount Installation

For installations inside window frames, position the box brackets at each end of the headrail using the top, back, or side holes.

If using a single center support bracket, place it in the middle of the headrail. If your blinds require more than support bracket, space them as evenly as possible, but no more than 30" apart.

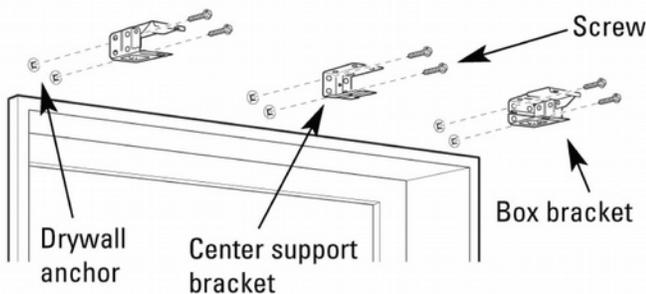
Verify that the brackets don't interfere with any moving parts, including the lift mechanism or internal components. Mark the location of your bracket mounting holes with a pencil and make sure each hole is level and evenly spaced.



Step 4: Bracket Installation

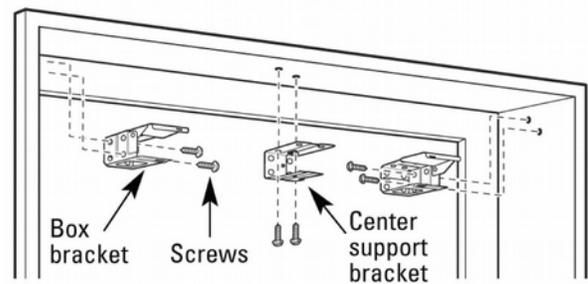
Outside Mount Installation

To mount the brackets for placing your blinds, screw them into the wall as shown in the picture below.



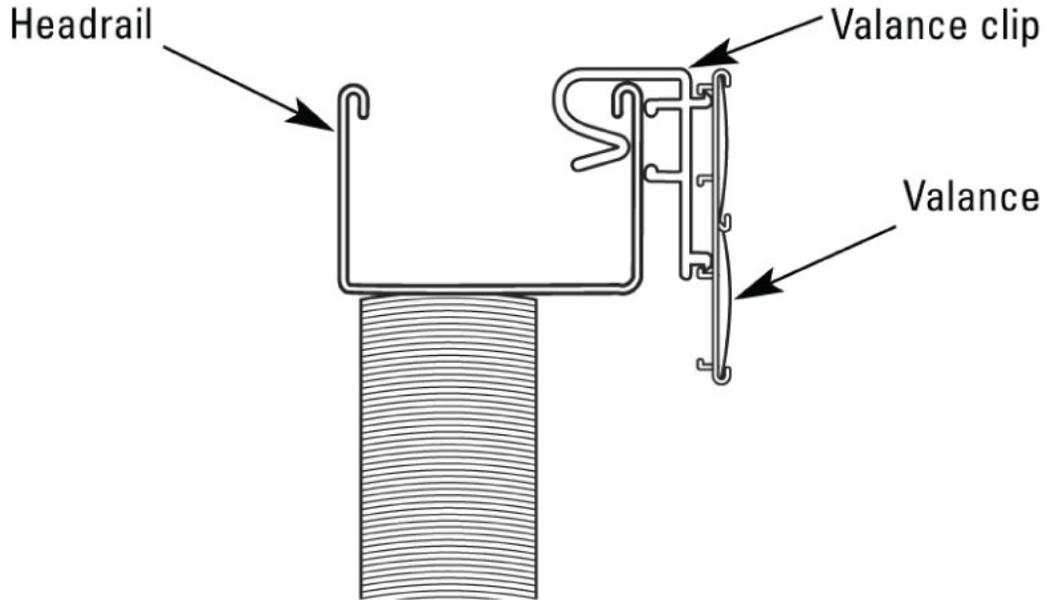
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To mount the brackets for placing your blinds, screw them into your window frames as shown in the picture below.

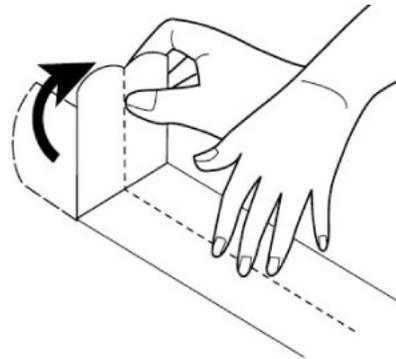


Step 5: Valance Installation

To install the valance clips, attach one to the front of each end of the headrail. Make sure you space out all clips evenly. Then, hold the valance into the clips.



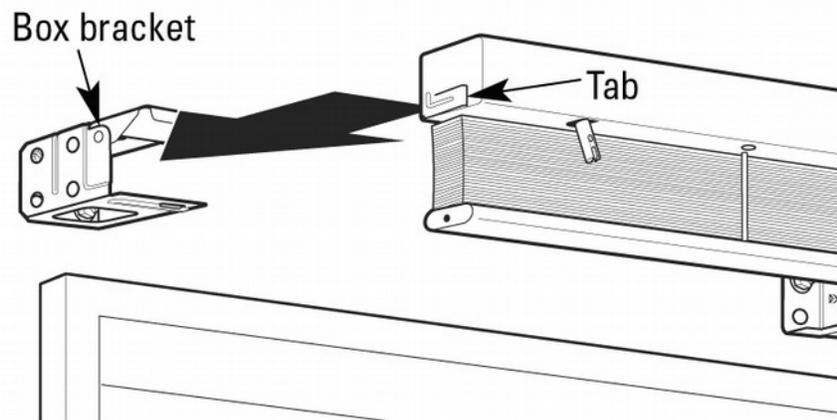
Note for Outside Mount Aluminum Blinds: Aluminum blinds ordered from Blindster with an outside mount option will feature aluminum slats that are wider than the headrail. Attach the slats to the plastic valance clips, then bend the left and right sides of the valance so that aluminum valance slats cover the box installation brackets.



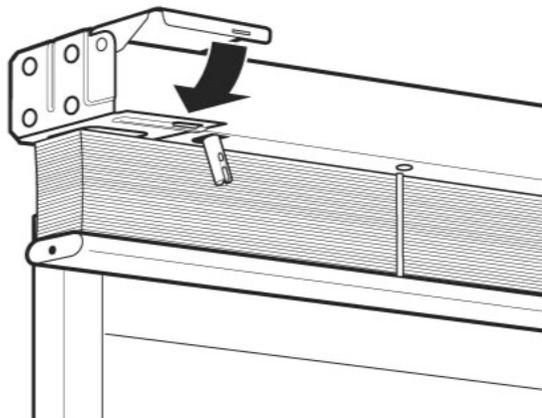
Step 6: Blind Installation

To install your blinds, align the headrail with the center support and box brackets. Make sure the headrail's tilt mechanism is facing the inside of your room. You should also take care to not trap the top slat in the brackets by sliding the headrail straight back until its snug inside the brackets.

If the headrail is able to easily slide from side to side inside the box brackets, use a flat head screwdriver to bend out the tabs on its end until its snug.



Lower the front gate of each box bracket and press until the locking tab clicks into place.

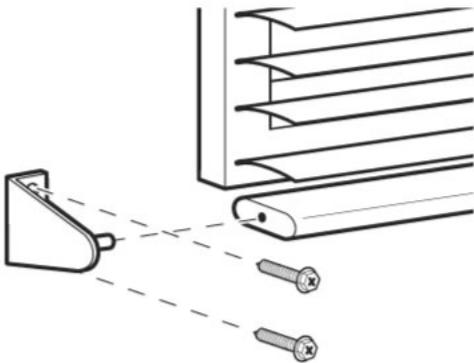


Step 7: Attach the Hold Down Brackets

(Optional Step for Door Installations)

Hold down brackets are used to keep blinds in place when installed on doors. To install your hold down brackets, attach them at the bottom of the window or glass with the screws shown in the picture.

To attach the bottomrail, gently pull the brackets out slightly, then insert pins into the holes on the bottomrail of the blinds. The hold down brackets will prevent your blinds from slamming into the door each time it is open or closed.



Operation Instructions

Now that your blinds are installed, it's time to learn how to operate them properly.

- **Lowering the blinds**

To lower your blinds, pull the cord down and towards the center of the blinds. This unlocks the blinds and allows them to drop. Slowly release the tension in the cord to drop the blinds to their desired height. To relock the blinds in place, just move the cord back to the edge of the slats.

- **Raising the blinds**

To raise your blinds, pull the cord straight down at the edge of the slats until the blinds reach their desired height. Leave the cord in place and let go to lock them into position.