Measuring Instructions for Bamboo Shades

When it comes to eco-friendly designs that are both beautiful and natural, you can’t beat bamboo shades. These window treatments are not only highly effective at increasing privacy and blocking out the sun’s rays, they also add an elegant look to any room in your home.

Bamboo shades are easy to install, but before you place your order with Blindster, you should first measure your window or the area you wish to cover with the shades. Taking accurate measurements is vital for the shades to fit properly.

To precisely measure your windows and receive shades that fit properly, follow the instructions below.

Inside Mount Blinds

Inside mount blinds fit inside the window frame and provide a sleek, clean, and built-in look that preserves the appearance of woodwork and molding.

If you plan on mounting your blinds inside your window frames, keep the following tips in mind:

- Inside mount installations place the shades directly inside the window frame and require precise measurements for a proper fit.
- When mounted inside the window frame, bamboo shades have a sleek, built-in look.
- This is the best option if you want to leave intricate or detailed woodwork exposed.
- Requires at least 1/2” of depth in window frame for a secure mount.
- Inside flush mount requires at least 2” for standard and top down/bottom up shades, 3” for continuous loop.
- If your window frame doesn't provide enough depth, use the outside mount option instead.

Measuring Inside Mount Blinds

To get an accurate measurement of your windows before placing an order for inside mount blinds, follow these instructions:

Step 1
- Measure the interior width of the window and window frame in three separate locations at the top, middle, and bottom. Take

Step 2
- Measure the interior height of the window and window frame in three separate locations at the left side, middle, and right side.
note of the smallest of these three measurements, as it's the number you'll provide to Blindster when you place your order.

- **Note:** that the factory will make necessary deductions of around 1/2”.

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**Outside Mount Blinds**

Outside mount blinds are perfect for windows that are too shallow to support the installation of inside mount blinds. They can be mounted to the wall, ceiling, or frame/molding around the window and are often used to make windows appear larger.

Here are a few important facts to know about outside mount blinds:

- Outside mount installations place the shade outside the window frame and make it possible to cover the entire window.
- This installation can be mounted to the wall, ceiling, or molding, making it highly versatile for a variety of window types and sizes.
- Outside mounts are perfect for hiding unattractive windows or making other windows appear larger.
- There are no minimum depth requirements, but a minimum flat surface of at least 1” is required. Always include the mounting surface area when measuring the area you want to cover with the shade.

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**Measuring Outside Mount Blinds**

Follow these instructions to get an accurate measurement of your outside mount blinds:

**Step 1**

Measure the full width of the area you wish to cover with the bamboo shade. If there's enough room to do so, add an extra 2” to 3” to your total width to help eliminate light leakage from the sides of the shade. Use the original measurement plus the extra width when placing your order, as your shade will be made exactly as specified when ordered.

**Step 2**

Measure the full height of the area you wish to cover with the bamboo shade. As mentioned above, take into account at least 1” of flat mounting surface when doing your measurements. In addition, note that adding at least 3” to 4” of height added to your shade will allow you to mount it above the window frame.