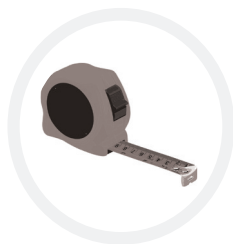


MEASURE INSTRUCTION

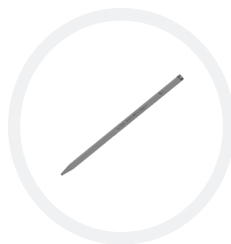
CAFÉ STYLE SHUTTERS

To measure your windows as accurately as possible and ensure the best custom fit for your new shutters.

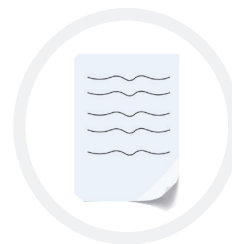
Before you start, you will need:



**A STEEL
MEASURING TAPE**
(1/8" increments)



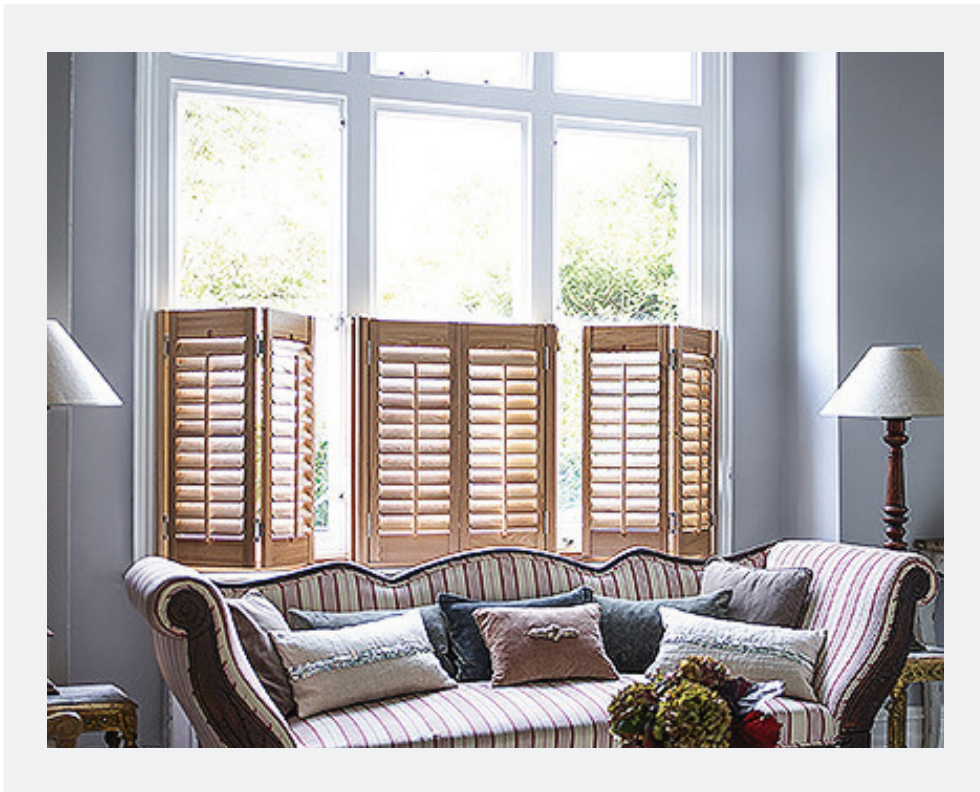
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You can also download our handy printable measuring worksheet found on all [Selectblinds.com](https://www.selectblinds.com) product pages.

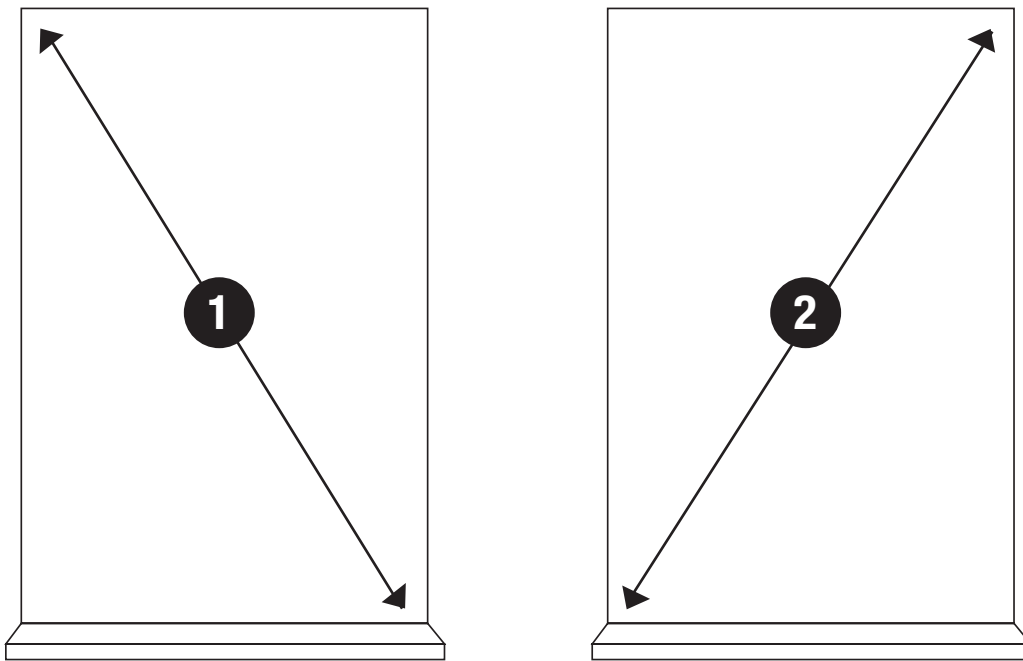
Café style plantation shutters have a frame that is drilled into the recess of the window opening. The panels will then fit inside the frame. This application only covers the lower half of the window opening, leaving the top of the window uncovered. Café shutters provide the great advantage of maximizing light while providing privacy.



Mid–Height Shutters

Important: Please be sure to confirm that whether or not your window is square

Measure the window opening from the top left corner to the bottom right corner and record it on a piece of paper.

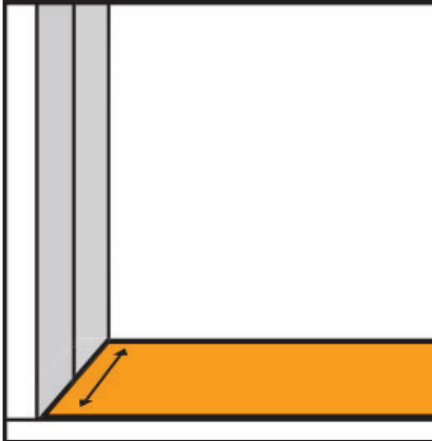


Next, you will measure the distance from the opposite corners (top right to bottom left) and compare it to the first set of measurements that you took.

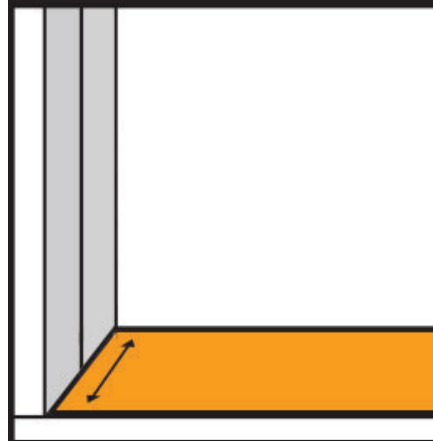
If these measurements are not the same, then your window opening is not square.

Therefore, the Trim Frame must be ordered for inside mounted shutters.

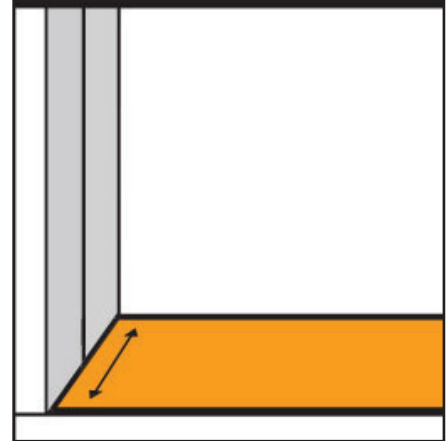
Determine the depth of your window: Measure the depth between the two stops that extend in front of the window frame. Try to measure the shortest point to determine the overall depth that you will have, and write down that number as you will use it during the ordering process when you select the louver size for your shutters.



A minimum recess depth of 2 1/4" is required for a **2 1/2" louver**



A minimum recess depth of 2 7/8" is required for a **3 1/2" louver**



A minimum recess depth of 3 1/2" is required for a **4 1/2" louver**

Measure: Measure the width and height of the window opening at the points where the shutters will be mounted. You will measure down to the nearest 1/8" so please be sure to measure the window in 2 places for the width (top, and center) and write down both measurements.

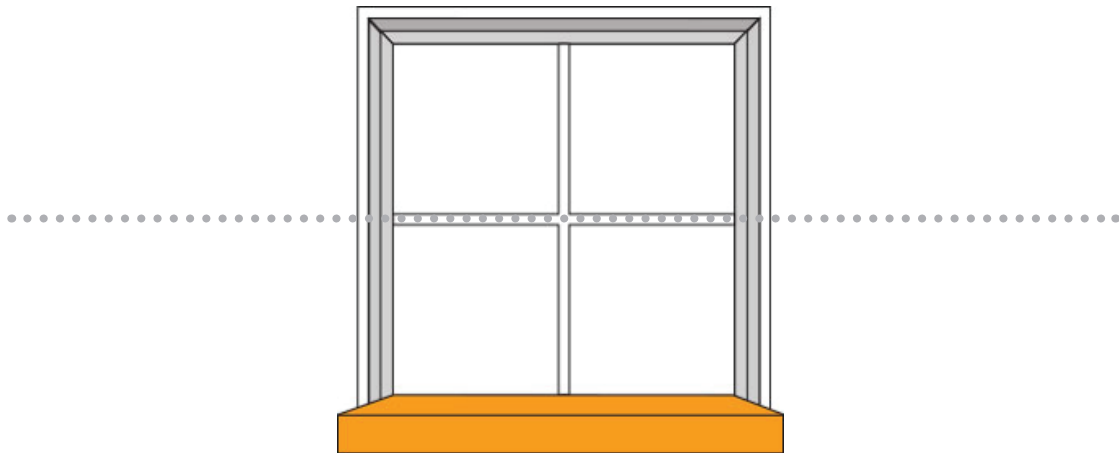


You will follow the same instructions for the height but measure only to the halfway point of the window as this application will cover only the lower portion.

You may come up with 2 different measurements when measuring the two places for the width and height. In this case, you will want to use the smallest of the measurements for both the width and the height.

If you are getting a **1/16"** or **1/32"** increment round down to the nearest **1/8"**, and this is the measurement that you will provide.

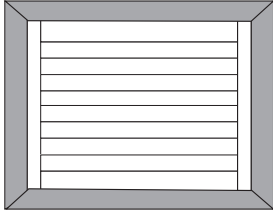
Example: **11/16"** will round down to **5/8"**.



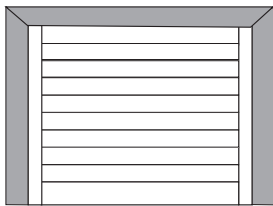
Tip: If your window has a sill, measure the height from the window sill to the halfway point of your window.

Please note: Our factory will make all necessary deductions to the exact window measurements that you provide us to ensure your product will fit perfectly in your window. **Do not make your own deductions. Also, it is very important that you do not add to the width to make up for these deductions.**

Frame Sides: Selecting the number of sides for your shutter frames is crucial to the ordering process.



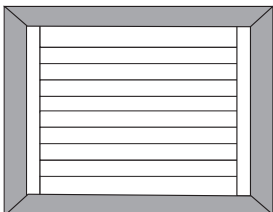
2-Sided Frame– Used for Café Style Shutters



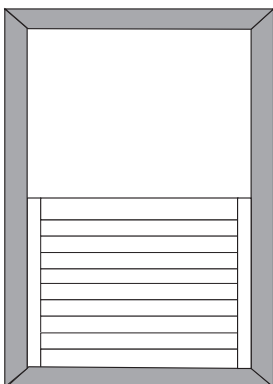
3-Sided Frame– Used for windows with stone, granite, or marble window sills



3-Sided Frame for Doors– To be used only if the shutter panel will take the place of a door. (Not to be used for French Doors.)

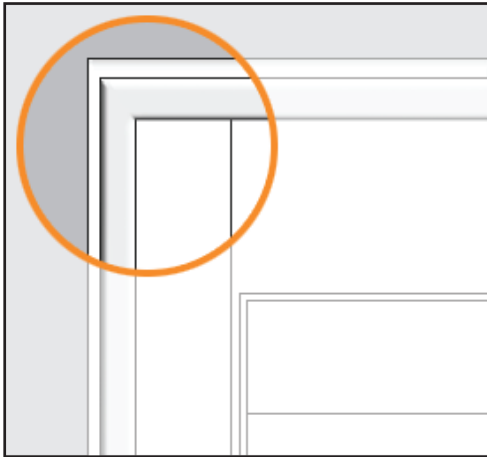


4-Sided Frame– Most common application for windows without protruding sills, handles or cranks.

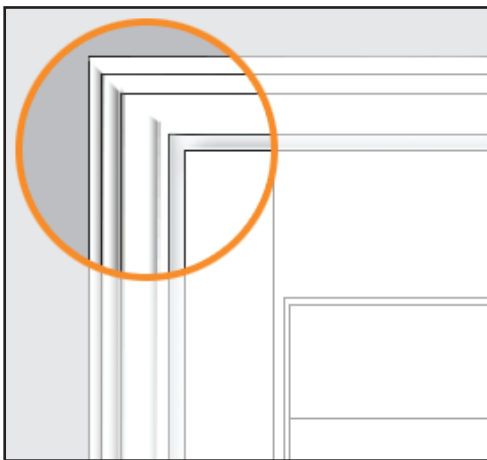


4-Sided Frame for Windows with Extending Sill– Used on window applications that have a wooden sill, the bottom of the frame will rest flat on the sill

At this point, you will need to choose the **frame style** that will suit your needs.



The **Standard L Frame** will not add decorative molding to your window.



The **Standard T Frame** will add decorative molding to your window.

– We highly suggest ordering a Trim (T) Frame if you do not have existing molding around your window. Since this frame will add the appearance of decorative molding around your window it is very easy to install and hides any imperfections, and if your window is out-of-square within $\frac{1}{4}$ " the frame will cover any gaps that you may have.

KEEP IN MIND

We always recommend ordering samples of all our products. If you would like samples of the color you are welcome to place that order online or by phone. If you would like for us to send you out samples of our frames to see what works best for you, please call an agent at **888-257-1840** and we would be happy to request those directly from the factory.

Don't stress, if you need extra help measuring or ordering your new shutters, feel free to contact our customer service team by phone at **888-257-1840** or by using the Live Chat feature on our website. Our friendly agents are shutter experts and are always happy to help.

*Representantes que hablan español estan disponibles.

You also might want to check out our FAQ's or Glossary page for general window covering questions.

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