

### Make a Roman Blind

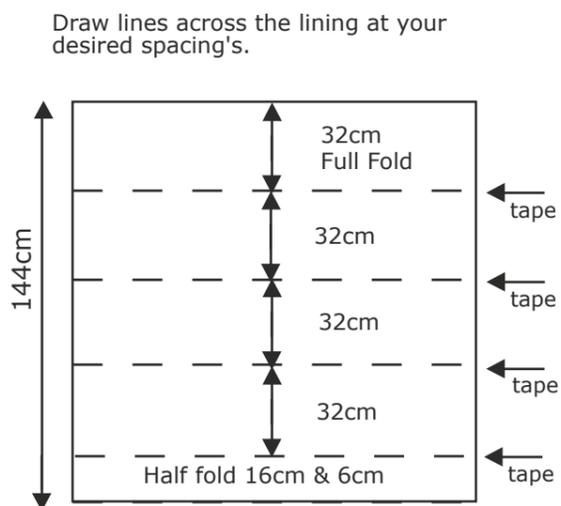
**What you will need:** (the quantity you require will depend your desired blind size)

1. Roman Blind Tape (included in your Kit)
2. Pre corded headrail(either Standard or deluxe.)
3. Sew On Velcro.
4. Your Face fabric.
5. Lining.(poly Cotton, thermal, Blackout or Bump.)
6. Rods and Bottom Bar.(included in your kit.)
7. A Sewing Machine.
8. Some Time.

1. Determine what size you require your blind. Cut your face fabric 50mm wider than the required finished width, and 11.5 cms longer than the required drop. Cut your lining the same size as your finished width and 11.5 cms longer than your required drop.
2. Join the face fabric and the lining face to face and sew 12mm in from each edge down the length of the blind. (bagging out). Now turn the bag the right way out. You should have a tube the exact width you require. Now press the seems flat with a cool iron.
3. Mark a line on the back of the blind (lining side.)38mm up from the bottom of your blind then another 38mm up from the first line. Fold the bottom of your blind upto the first mark and pin in place. Now fold up the pinned pocket to the second mark and pin in place. Sew across the top to create a pocket into which your weight bar will fit.
4. Measure from the bottom of your blind your required drop. (the pocket to the top) and mark a line across. Trim the fabric 10-15mm above this line then fold over the line and pin in place. This should make your face fabric the correct drop.

Fig 1.

Example calculation:  
Fabric length - 144cm  
Total folds desired is 5  
The last fold is always a half fold  
The remaining 4 folds - 8 half folds  
Therefore the total number of half folds - 9  
(NB the total number of half folds is always an odd number)  
 $144\text{cm} \div 9 = 16\text{cm}$  per half fold.  
Therefore each full fold will measure 32cm between the lines of tape and the bottom half fold will measure 16cm plus the 6cm extra.



5. Cut the roman blind tape to the width of the fabric plus 2cm for the side hems and pin along the lines, leaving 1cm of spare tape at each side.

6. Machine the tape along the top edge and hem one end, sew as close to the top as possible. Repeat to attach the remaining lengths of tape. Make sure the woven pockets are facing you whilst sewing, the lifting cords run through these pockets on the finished blinds.
7. Cut the roman blind rods and weight bar 5mm less that the width of the fabric and insert into the free end of the tape and bottom pocket.
8. To secure the spare tape at the sides of the blind, fold over the excess tape and tack or fix with loop fastener, allowing the rods to be easily removed when washing the blind.
9. Cut the headrail to your required width and attach using the velcro sewn onto the top of your blind.
10. Thread the cord through the woven pockets in the back of the rod pockets.
11. Fasten the cord to the bottom rod pocket using the hooks provided.
12. Fix the blind in place using the brackets provided.

### WARNING

YOUNG CHILDREN CAN STRANGLE IN THE LOOP OF PULL CORDS, CHAINS AND TAPES, AND CORDS THAT OPERATE WINDOW COVERINGS. TO AVOID STRANGULATION AND ENTANGLEMENT, KEEP CORDS OUT OF THE REACH OF YOUNG CHILDREN. MOVE BEDS, COTS AND FURNITURE AWAY FROM WINDOW COVERING CORDS.

### Hints and Tips:

Take care measuring.

When sewing the rod pockets sew as close to the top edge as possible.



#### Deluxe Kit/ White Chain

Deluxe roman blinds kits, with and white control chain. Pre corded headrail, bottom bar, rods, sew on rod pockets, sew on velcro, everything you need to make perfect roman blinds.



#### Cord Operated Roman Blind Kits

Everything you need to make perfect roman blinds. Easy to cut pre corded headrail, rods, bottom bar, sew on velcro, sew on rod pockets, cleat, acorn cord ties etc.



#### Deluxe Kits/ Chrome Chain

Pre corded headrail, bottom bar, 5 rods, sew on rod pockets, sew on velcro, everything you need to make perfect roman blinds.

### Contact us:

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