



Variety Balloon Shades

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This packet provides patterns and instructions for the basic gathered and the pleated balloon shades. Two skirt styles are offered and can be attached to either shade. Returns are included for operative shades if desired.

Fabric Suggestions: While deciding on your fabric, keep in mind weight and window width. If your fabric and lining are heavy and your window is over 100" wide, trying to pull this shade up and down will be very difficult. Consider the possibility of doing 2 or 3 shades, side by side, instead of one. Soft, lightweight fabrics are best, but crisp ones will work also. Give careful thought to your choice of lining. If you have a "too bulky" fabric, then use a very soft, light lining. Rain-no-stain roc-lon is a good choice. Therma suede gives good insulation.

Ruffles and trims cannot be added to the bottom of these shades.

YARDAGE

The finished length of shades is determined by their shortest point.

GATHERED SHADE: Figure about 2 1/2 times fullness for the width (don't forget to add for the returns if needed). *If you are using returns*, plan for shade width to clear facings, 1 1/2" each side of window.

PLEATED SHADE: Figure for your flat width sizes, plus 12" for pleats between flat areas, plus 6" for half pleat at each side, plus returns, plus 2" side hem at each side.

CUT LENGTH FOR SHADES:

Without a skirt, the cut length for either shade should be 15" longer than finished length. With the scallop skirt, the cut length for shade should be 13" longer than finished length. With the straight skirt, the cut length for shade should be 9" longer than finished length.

Lining should be cut the same.

Warning: placement of seams can sometimes cause you to need an extra cut length. Review instructions.

Straight skirt: Should have 2 1/2 times fullness. A cut length of 15" will include its self lining.

Scallop skirt: Is flat with no fullness. An 8 1/2" cut length does not include its lining. 2" or 3" tassels optional.

See inside for a list of supplies needed.



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