

## **9227, 9228 Basic Gathered Swags**

**These swags are board mounted. They do not adapt for a rod pocket.**

### **How can I alter the swags?**

You can alter gathered swags by reading chapter 6B in our “Workroom Manual” We cannot instruct you by e-mail or fax.

### **How can I alter the jabot?**

Instructions are included to alter the jabot.

### **What are the rules for cutting swags on the bias?**

Swags should always be cut on the bias, if the fabric will allow. Example: some upright designs on the fabric would display best with an upright cut, however a lot of fabrics with upright designs are still very effective cut bias. Place the fabric at appropriate angle (with fullness) to see the effect it will have. If you must cut the fabric upright, you should still cut the lining and interlining on the bias.

### **The pattern has cutting lines for a 34” wide swag and for a 36” wide swag. I need a 35” wide swag. Which one do I use?**

Go in between the lines to get your exact size.

### **How can I eliminate having to “piece” the swag?**

When the fabric is not as wide as the swag pattern (for the cut you have chosen) piecing will have to be done. the only alternative is to cut with the lengthwise grain (railroad). Here again, cut the lining and interlining on the bias. When planning the “pieces” try to have them at areas that will be covered by an overlapping swag.

### **How can I take out the fabric bulk in swags and jabots?**

Click on “tip of the month” January 2007 and February 2007 for some helpful information. Our workroom manual collection gives even more instructions.

### **I put my swag on the board and it is too wide, and too short. I know I cut it by the pattern. What happened?**

Measure your finished swag across the board line. It is very easy for a bias swag to stretch. When a swag is forced to hang wider than the pattern size, it will also hang shorter. Also, when a swag is forced to hang smaller than the patterns width, it will hang deeper.

### **How can I plan swags for a bay window?**

Swags should not be planned to overlap at the corners of a bay. They should only butt together there. Plan for a tail or jabot to fill the corner gap. The 9002 or 9208 tail is a good one to use.

### **How do I know what swag depth to use?**

Click onto “tip of the month” August 2005 to determine how high off the floor the mount board should install. This will also tell you what depth the treatment should be. Consider also what the swag short point will be. You want the shortest point (where swags overlap) to cover any wall space or window facings. A chart in the instruction booklet will tell you the swag size to use and what the short point will be.