

CURTAIN STYLING GUIDE

everything you need to know



THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO STYLING CURTAINS

Curtains do more than cover windows. They shape a space, create atmosphere, and help you pull your look together. This guide will walk you through the best tips and tricks for styling your curtains like a pro, whether you're going for coastal calm, Hamptons classic, Nordic minimalism, or something earthy and grounded.





S-FOLD BOYD

Custom Made Sheer WHITE Also available in colour Putty and Pinch, Pencil, Eyelet and Reverse Tab Styles

1. HANG HIGH AND WIDE

Want to make your space look bigger and ceilings feel taller?

Hang your curtain rod as high as you can —close to the ceiling or architrave—and extend it past the window frame. This draws the eye up, makes windows feel larger, and allows more light to flood in when the curtains are open.

Pro Tip: Extend your rod 20-30cm past the window frame on each side so your curtains sit off the glass when open.

BARCELONA

Custom Made Linen Blend Sheer GREY Available in 5 earth colours

2. FLOOR TO CEILING IS A MUST

For a polished, cohesive look, your curtains should skim the floor or puddle slightly if you're going for something more relaxed. Avoid short curtains—they visually cut the wall and can make the space feel smaller.

Quickfit Tip: All our custom curtains are made to your exact drop. Just measure from the top of where you want the rod to sit to the floor. Easy. (We will make some slight adjustments to accomodate the curtain style you choose and how you are mounting it ie celing or wall mounted)



3. LAYER FOR DEPTH AND FUNCTION

Pair a sheer curtain at the front or behind with a blockout or heavier curtain behind or in front. It adds texture, softness, and flexibility. Open the blockout for soft filtered light during the day, close it at night for privacy and insulation. Great Combos:

- Flax sheer + Calgary blockout (Modern organic look)
- Barcelona linen blend sheer + Morris blockout (Scandi or coastal feel)

4. LET TEXTURE LEAD THE WAY

Choosing a textured fabric like linen or a linen blend adds depth and softness. In earthy, coastal, or Nordic-inspired interiors, texture makes all the difference.

Quickfit Picks:

- Vintage Linen: 100% linen with a relaxed drape
- Barcelona: Earth-toned linen blend with beautiful texture
- Palmo: Lightweight and textured for a breezy feel



5. STICK TO A COLOUR SCHEME

Curtains don't need to match your sofa, but they should complement the tones in your space. Neutrals like white, stone, oat, or flax are timeless and calming. Rich earth tones like coffee, cinnamon or clay add warmth and mood.

6. DON'T FORGET THE HARDWARE

Choose rods and tracks that suit your style—black for modern or industrial, white or silver for Hamptons or coastal. Our Smart Drape Extendable Rods are easy to install and come with everything you need. Bonus: Multiband curtains can hang on almost anything.

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7. KEEP IT FUNCTIONAL

Think about how you'll use the space. Need full blockout for sleeping? Go a heavy blockout. Want soft light in the lounge? Go sheer. Need both? Layer it.

8. SYMMETRY LOOKS PURPOSFUL

Aim for even curtain stacks on either side of the window. It gives your space balance and visual harmony. If your window isn't centred, cheat the look by extending your rod and adjusting where the curtain stack sits.

9. MAKE IT YOURS

Style is personal. Mix and match textures, play with colour, and don't be afraid to test fabric samples against your paint and furniture. We offer free samples to help you get it right the first time.

10. HOW TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT CURTAIN HEADER STYLE

The top of your curtain (aka the header) is where the whole look starts. It shapes how your curtains hang, how they move, and what vibe they bring to your room. Here's a breakdown of the main styles we offer at Quickfit, and where they shine best.



S-FOLD

Key Feature: Smooth, evenly spaced folds that glide neatly along the track. Best For: Open-plan spaces and modern homes where you want a clean, flowing look.

Interior Style: Minimalist, contemporary, or designer-inspired. Best Fabrics: Works beautifully with sheers and soft linen blends (like Barcelona or Boyd).

S-Fold curtains hang in perfect ripples from top to bottom and look tailored. They do need a bit of training once hung to get the pleats hanging straight. They need a specific track (*included with our custom S-Fold sets*) and are ideal for wide windows and doors. This style instantly lifts a space.







PINCH PLEAT

Key Feature: Neat, sewn-in pleats that hold their shape.

Best For: More formal rooms where you want structure and a polished finish.

Interior Style: Hamptons, classic, or traditional homes.

Best Fabrics: Linen, linen blends (like Vintage Linen), or even velvet for media rooms.

Pinch pleats bring a touch of elegance with their tailored folds. They suit heavier fabrics and look great puddling slightly at the floor. Choose this style when you're after timeless and tailored.





PENCIL PLEAT

Key Feature: Gathered, soft pleats that create a casual drape.

Best For: More relaxed rooms or when you want a full, soft curtain. Interior Style: Country, coastal, boho or eclectic.

Best Fabrics: Lightweight linens, cottons, or sheers.

Pencil pleat curtains are sewn with a gather tape at the back and can be adjusted for fullness. They are a little fiddly and involve pulling strings to gather the desired curtain width. They work with rod with rings or tracks and are great for layering over or behind blockouts as the sheer.





EYELET

Key Feature: Large metal rings (eyelets) slide straight onto your curtain rod. Best For: Easy DIY install and quick room updates. Interior Style: Modern, casual or first-home setups. Best Fabrics: Medium weight blockouts, velvets, or cotton blends. This style is all about simplicity just thread it on and go. Eyelet curtains are great for renters or anyone who loves a no-fuss option that still looks neat.



REVERSE TAB

Key Feature: Tabs are hidden at the back, giving a clean, tailored look. Best For: Subtle finishes without visible rings or pleats. Interior Style: Coastal, Scandinavian, or modern rustic. Best Fabrics: Textured linens and linen blends (like Palmo or Flax). Reverse tab curtains give a soft fold without the need for rings or clips. They slide easily onto a rod and suit relaxed but stylish interiors.



MULTIBAND

Key Feature: Super flexible header with stitched bands at the back, pockets for hooks and tabs to suit rings, clips, hooks, or tracks.

Best For: DIY setups, renters, or anyone wanting to mix and match hanging styles.

Interior Style: All-rounder—works across most homes and styles.

Best Fabrics: Light-to-medium weight linens, sheers (Flax, Palmo), and ready-to-hang blockouts (Calgary).

We use this header on most of our ready-to-hang curtains because it gives you options. Whether you've got a rod or track, you can make it work. It's neat, flexible, and makes updating your curtains super easy.





CHOOSING THE RIGHT CURTAIN LENGTH

Getting your curtain length right can totally change how your space feels. Whether you're after clean and structured, soft and relaxed, or something more dramatic, here's how to choose:

1. Just Above the Floor

Think 1–2 cm off the ground.

This look is neat, tailored, and practical. It's perfect for:

- Blockout curtains especially stiffer fabrics like our Calgary or Seattle ranges.
- S-Fold styles where you want the folds to hang crisp and even.
- Minimalist homes clean lines, less fuss.
- Layered curtain setups when you've got a sheer in front and a blockout behind, this keeps things sharp and easy to open/close.
- Also ideal if you want to easily vacuum or clean under the curtains

2. Touching the Floor (Kissing the Floor)

Just grazing the floor for a classic, polished finish. Great for:

- Linen blends like Barcelona or Boyd in a neutral tone.
- Everyday living areas or bedrooms where you still want softness but prefer a tidy look.
- Works well with all pleat styles and multibands.
- Gives a designer feel without being high-maintenance.

3. Puddling on the Floor (5–8cm+)

A soft 'puddle' of fabric at the bottom adds warmth and romance. Use this when:

- You want a casual coastal vibe (hello linen curtains like Palmo or Vintage Linen).
- Styling with Pinch Pleat curtains for that relaxed elegance.
- You're dressing media rooms or theatre spaces with rich fabrics like velvet the extra length adds a luxe, cocooned feel.
- You've got time to style your curtains and don't mind the puddle being more decorative than functional.

Pro tip: Always measure with your chosen curtain style and fabric in mind. Linen behaves differently to blockout, and pleats fall differently to an S-Fold.

CURTAIN LENGTHS















Need Help or Have Questions?

We're here to make choosing curtains easy. Reach out any time!

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