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### *Café Curtains – What to Consider and How to Measure*

Café Curtains are ideal for bathrooms or any room where you want privacy while still allowing for natural light to come into the room. You can mount the café rod at any height that will provide the desired privacy.

You can have 2 café curtain panels that split in the middle or one panel without any split if you want the window covered all the time.

Café Curtains can be made in a sheer fabric, or a linen or cotton lightweight fabric which can be made unlined if you want more light coming through, or with lining to give café curtains more body and to protect the fabric.

For Inside Mounted Café Curtains measure the inside of the window casing at the point where you will install the café curtain rod.

Red Line is in middle of window.

Green Line is 3/4 of the window if you want more coverage.

If you are installing an outside mounted café curtain rod, measure width of window including casing (Turquoise Line). Will you mount brackets on edge of window casing, or on wall next to window casing?

For the length of the Café Curtain, Measure where you want the top of the café curtain to start, down to where you want curtain to end. (Blue Line)



Inside mounted Café Curtain in Schumacher Camden Check Sky with Samuel & Sons 1.5" Wide Fern Grosgrain Ribbon Trim on sides and top. Triple Pinch Pleat.

Schumacher Hydrangea Drape Wallpaper in Green 5004456



Inside Mounted Café Curtain Lisa Fine Yasmina Peacock Cream Unlined Bathroom. Triple Pleat tacked at top to keep pleat tightly together

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Café Curtains Quadrille Mojave One Color Reverse Bali Blue on White. Triple Pleat tacked at top to keep pleat tightly together

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Café Curtains can also cover the entire window.

Peter Dunham Starburst Blue Red Cafe Curtain. Double Euro Pleats.



Schumacher Birds & Butterflies Cafe Curtain. Flat Panels - no pleats.



Café Curtain Rods, Brackets and Rings  
Helser Brothers sells to the Trade Only, but I can order this for you. C  
Contact me for pricing.

One of common challenges with Café Curtains is mounting space. A majority of cafe curtain hardware is mounted inside the window frame. Helser Brothers offers a 5/8" Petite Sash Bracket to fill this need. It's a narrow bracket that fits perfectly inside window moldings. It is 1 ¼" Diameter, so as long as you have a mounting area of 1 ¼", you can do an inside mount. This hardware comes in lots of finishes and can be custom cut to any length.

<https://www.helserbrothers.com/product/58-round-rod/>



Inside Mounting bracket which is 1 ¼" Diameter. Lots of finish options.

<https://www.helserbrothers.com/product/inside-mount-bracket-for-5-8-to-2-rods/>



If you would like to mount your café curtain rod outside the window, you have the option of the Contemporary Bracket for 5/8" Rod. Lots of finish options.

[https://www.helserbrothers.com/product/contemporary-bracket-for-5-8-and-7-8-rods/?doing\\_wp\\_cron=1733421801.0303659439086914062500](https://www.helserbrothers.com/product/contemporary-bracket-for-5-8-and-7-8-rods/?doing_wp_cron=1733421801.0303659439086914062500)



Or the Brooklyn Bracket for 5/8" Rod. Lots of finish options.

<https://www.helserbrothers.com/product/brooklyn-bracket-for-5-8-to-2-rods/>



Petite Curtain Ring with 1" diameter for Café Curtain Rod 5/8" Diameter.

<https://www.helserbrothers.com/product/round-ring-artigiani-2/>



Below is a link to Rejuvenation where you can see narrow cafe curtain rods at 3/8" Diameter. Rejuvenation sells to the public so you can purchase this hardware yourself.

The cafe curtain rods can be inside mounted. Their inside mounted cafe-set fastens onto window trim or casing, rather than inside the jamb. They will custom-cut the rod from 12" up to 60"

The Concealed Mount Cafe Set features a concealed mounting system, so you can avoid marring your molding. Or you can use the Tension Rod. They will custom-cut the rod to within 1/8", up to 60".

There are also outside mounted brackets if you want to mount your café curtain outside the window.

Rejuvenation has pinch rings, which clip to the top of the curtain with teeth which pinches and holds the fabric which you can use for flat panels. They also have curtain rings with a clip hanging below. You can either use the clips and clip the fabric and hold it in place also for flat panels. If you prefer pleated café curtains, you can remove the clips which leaves the small eyelet below the ring. I could insert a drapery hook behind each pleat and on each end of the panel. Then you would insert the drapery hook into the small eyelet below each ring to hang the café curtains.

See link below to view all their café curtain hardware.

<https://www.rejuvenation.com/search/results.html?words=cafe>