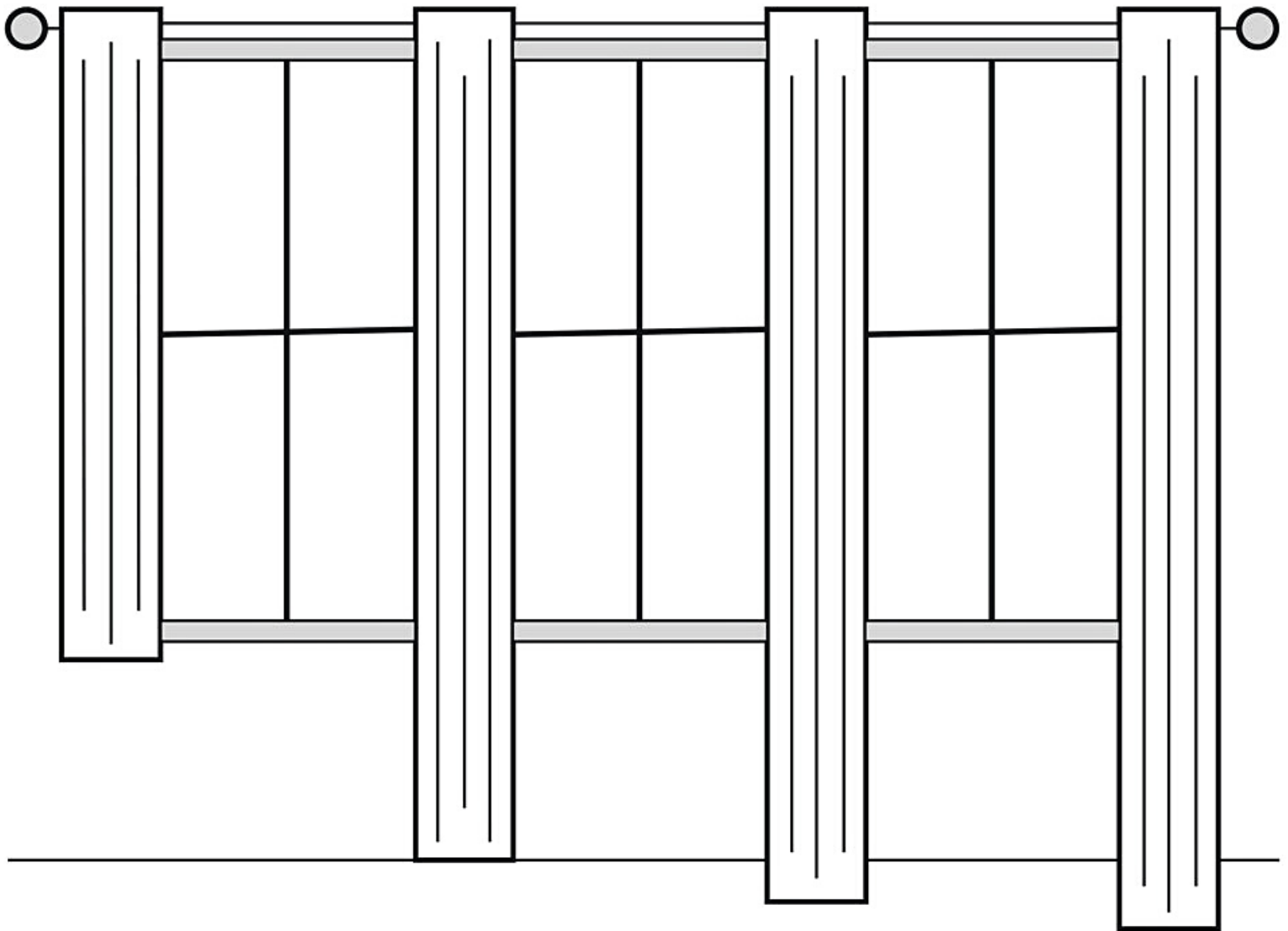




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CHOOSING THE RIGHT SIZE CURTAIN.



63 inch

Curtains typically fall below the window sill

84 inch

Curtains typically reach the floor

95 inch

Curtains typically puddle on the floor

108 inch

Curtains typically puddle more on the floor

95 INCH IS TYPICALLY OUR TEAMS FAVORITE. ITS PLENTY OF LENGTH TO INSTALL ABOVE THE WINDOWS AND LONG ENOUGH TO ACTUALLY MAKE A STATEMENT.



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NOW I HAVE THE RIGHT SIZE
CURTAINS
BUT HOW SHOULD I HANG THEM ?



THE COMBINED WIDTH OF THE CURTAIN PANELS
SHOULD BE 2 - 2.5 TIMES THE WIDTH OF THE
ACTUAL WINDOW.



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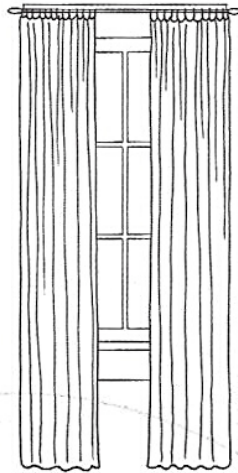
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CURTAIN STYLES

DOUBLE PANEL

The most popular style, a pair of panels bracketing a window establishes symmetry and order.

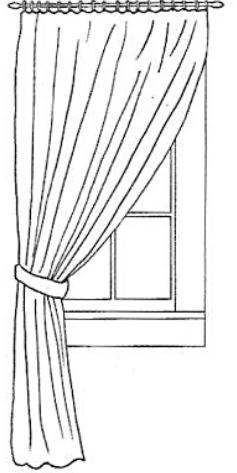
good to know: If your room—or your window—is small, double panels can overwhelm. Pick a lightweight fabric that's not too voluminous, or opt for a single panel.



SINGLE PANEL

A single panel works well in snug spaces or when windows are closely set. A dynamic sweep of fabric caught to one side with a tieback is romantic, while a simple straight-hung panel in front of the window is casual.

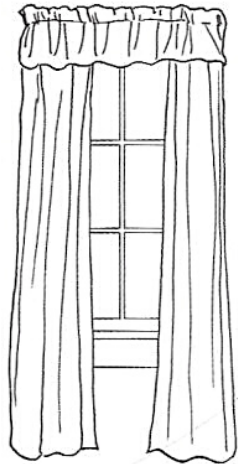
good to know: Can look prim tied to one side, but done in a sheer fabric, it's elegant.



PANELS WITH VALANCE

A soft fabric valance gives plain panels a more romantic quality. Taut or shirred, it can run straight across at the bottom, or can undulate.

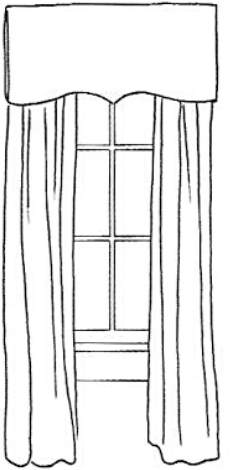
good to know: Unpretentious solids, like linen and cotton can foil the potential fussiness. A valance alone (without panels) can add softness to an uncovered window.



PANELS WITH PELMET

Enclosing the top of the curtain frame in a structured frame, a pelmet lends a well-mannered air.

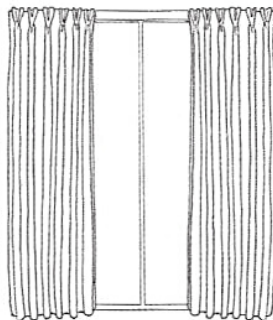
good to know: Not for windows that open inward. Pelmet themselves are often adorned to highlight their shape.



STACKED CURTAINS

The epitome of boutique-hotel chic, a voluminous cascade of floor-to-ceiling fabric gives a sumptuously clean look that's surprisingly minimalist when rendered in gauzy fabrics. This enveloping style fosters the illusion of bigger windows and mellows the lines of a stark room.

good to know: This is a lot of fabric, so keep it light.



CAFÉ CURTAINS

Hung at a window's midpoint or above, café curtains add a hint of color and flounce where full-blown coverage isn't needed.

good to know: Although not the best for tempering sunlight, café curtains effectively screen views when hung at just the right spot.

