



WINDOW TREATMENTS

Ideas For The Whole House



Pick The Perfect Treatment

Custom window treatments are one of the easiest and most dramatic ways to update the look of your home. There are many types of treatments and options to pick from. Many treatments can work on windows throughout your entire home. However, others have some limitations and/or are better suited for specific rooms or situations. To pick the perfect shutters, blinds, or shades, we've put together this guide of window treatment ideas for every room of your house.

No matter which room in your home needs window treatments, use this reference guide to pick the best treatments for each room that fit your design style, function preferences, and control of light, temperature and noise.

We highlight the benefits of each type of window treatment, and let you know which window treatments are best at (or not the best at) certain functions. Follow along room by room as we show you the right window treatment choices for your home.

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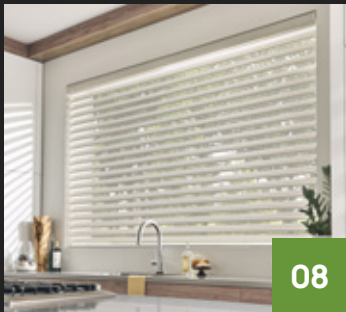
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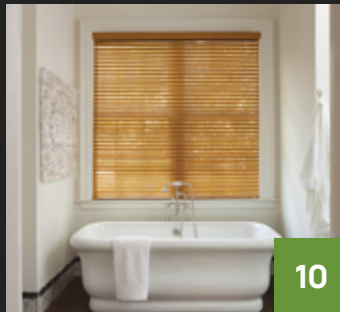
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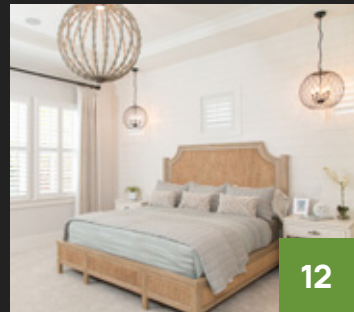
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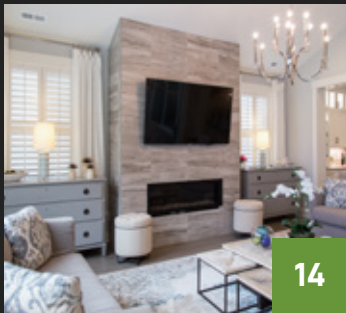
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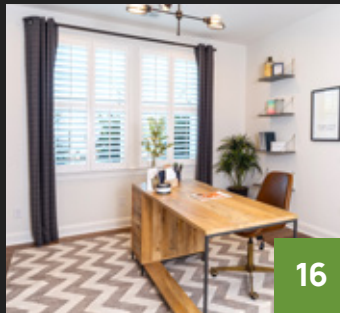
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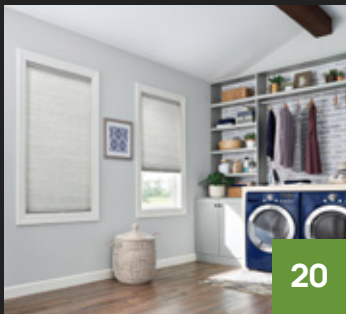
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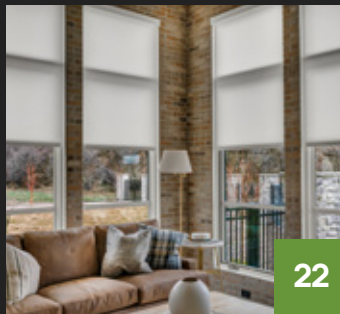
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Living Room

Window Treatments

If you host guests in your living room, they'll notice your windows. These are often the largest windows in your home and should be dressed to impress. Large living room windows can also pose some problems, like sun glare, cold drafts, and lack of privacy.

To make a statement with your window treatments and get the ultimate combination of light control, energy efficiency, and privacy, opt for Polywood® plantation shutters. Their symmetrical lines and white paint look beautiful with all interior designs, and their solid faux wood panels and louvers let you block sunlight or redirect it where you want. Polywood shutters even come with weatherstripping for superior energy efficiency.



Other living room window treatment options are energy-efficient and modern cellular shades or motorized roller shades. A cell shade's pleated fabric forms pockets that trap air and prevent temperature transfer through large windows. They give an added dimension to your windows, and you can find cellular shades in many colors and patterns to coordinate with your decor.

Motorized roller shades are great for tall windows that are impossible to reach as well as windows that are within reach. They also make control very easy through programmable settings and an easy-to-use remote.



PLANTATION SHUTTERS

Best at: Light control, noise control, privacy, energy efficiency, tight light gaps, specialty-shaped windows and windows in wet/humid rooms.
 Very good at: Durability, warranty, ease of cleaning, sidelight & transom windows.
 Not suggested for: Limited budget, light filtering, vast color variety.

MOTORIZED SHADES

Best at: Out of reach windows, full coverage, ease of use, automation, remote/programmable.
 Very good at: Color variety, light blocking, wider windows.
 Not suggested for: Limited budget, wet/humid rooms, specialty-shaped windows.

CELLULAR SHADES

Best at: Color variety, budget, privacy, energy efficiency, tight light gaps, adding dimension to your windows.
 Very good at: Motorization, larger windows, narrow windows, transom windows.
 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, pets, specialty shaped windows.

Dining Room

Window Treatments



Choose window treatments for your dining room based on how you use the space. If you use it primarily for entertaining and special occasions, something elegant like Roman shades or woven natural shades will suit the room's atmosphere. Roman shades add a soft, colorful accent to windows. Woven natural shades add interesting texture and a hint of nature to the room. Both can be motorized if desired.

However, if you have family dinner in your dining room every night, use sturdy Ovation wood shutters or Polywood shutters. They can withstand the bumps of kids moving chairs around the table and the occasional food splatter. They also look beautiful when you host an occasional dinner party.



ROMAN SHADES

Best at: Color options, fabric choices, patterns, adding dimension to your windows.
 Very good at: Ambiance, variety of colors, traditional appeal.
 Not suggested for: Wet/humid rooms, pets, easy to clean, speciality shaped windows.

WOVEN WOOD/NATURAL SHADES

Best at: Color options, material options, adding dimension to your windows.
 Very good at: Natural beauty, durability, variety of colors in one treatment.
 Not suggested for: Wet/humid rooms, easy to clean, warranty, energy efficiency, motorization, speciality shaped windows.

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Kitchen

Window Treatments



When the kitchen is the hub of your home, it sees a lot of traffic and messes. You need kitchen window treatments that will last through all the bustle of cooking and cleaning. Polywood interior shutters are the most durable window treatments. They resist water damage from cooking and dishwashing steam. And their modern white paint needs just a quick wipe with a damp cloth to clean food splatters. You can also opt for faux wood window blinds. While they don't have quite the same longevity as Polywood shutters, their slats are made of a similar waterproof material.



Another good kitchen window treatment is roller shades—not because they can take the humidity, but because they can be rolled completely up into a cassette at the top of the window. That moves them out of sight and opens your view while you’re cooking. Then, after the meal and dishes, you can lower them back down to provide complete privacy.

If you have a sliding glass door just off the kitchen or nook, roller shades, shutters or panel track shades work great. Panel tracks give you the ability to move each panel off to 1 side of the door for great access and view.



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FAUX WOOD BLINDS	
Best at:	Wet/humid rooms, limited budget, light control, cordless operation.
Very good at:	Privacy.
Not suggested for:	Easy to clean, color variety, energy efficiency, speciality shaped windows.
ROLLER SHADES	
Best at:	Light filtering, motorization, texture, room darkening, privacy.
Very good at:	Limited budget, color variety, durability, larger windows, transom & sidelight windows.
Not suggested for:	Wet/humid rooms, really narrow windows, tight light gaps, speciality-shaped windows.
PANEL TRACK SHADES	
Best at:	Wider windows, sliding doors, provide full coverage and can be stacked out of the way.
Very good at:	Fabric options, light control, privacy, contemporary.
Not suggested for:	Easy to clean, smaller/single windows, energy efficiency, privacy, limited budget, speciality shaped windows.

Bathroom

Window Treatments



Finding the right window treatments for a bathroom can be tricky because of moisture. For most half-baths, you can use any window blinds, shades, or shutters you like. If you have a tiny half-bath window or a specialty-shaped window like a circle or hexagon, custom interior shutters work best. You can get them to fit any size or shape window.

Polywood shutters work best as full bathroom window treatments where the heat and humidity from bathing and showering can destroy wood and fabric treatments. Polywood's engineered wood substitute material is moisture resistant. It won't crack, split, or warp from humid air or water splashes.





PLANTATION SHUTTERS

Best at:

Very good at:

Not suggested for:

Light control, noise control, privacy, energy efficiency, tight light gaps, specialty-shaped windows and windows in wet/humid rooms.

Durability, warranty, ease of cleaning, sidelight & transom windows.

Limited budget, light filtering, vast color variety.

Bedroom

Window Treatments



The perfect addition To Any Bedroom.

The best bedroom window treatments complement your decor and help you get a good night's rest. Any window shade style will work, and it's easy to find shades in colors and patterns to coordinate with the rest of the room. Transitional or "Zebra" shades are very fashionable and offer a variety of light control. Another option is window shades with a blackout thickness to keep out light when you're sleeping, such as cellular, roller, or woven shades. And for extra convenience, get

motorized shades you can control with a remote from your bed.

Bedroom window treatments for kids should never have cords. Instead, use cordless shades or interior shutters. All interior shutters are cord-free, easy to clean, and strong enough to endure the rough handling of playful children. You can also put them in a child's room for exceptional light control, privacy, and noise reduction.



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MOTORIZED SHADES

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CELLULAR SHADES

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 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, pets, speciality shaped windows.

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WOVEN WOOD/NATURAL SHADES

Best at: Color options, material options, adding dimension to your windows.
 Very good at: Natural beauty, durability, variety of colors in one treatment.
 Not suggested for: Wet/humid rooms, easy to clean, warranty, energy efficiency, motorization, speciality shaped windows.

TRANSITIONAL/ZEBRA SHADES

Best at: Ambiance, contemporary design, multiple settings for visibility.
 Very good at: Light filtering, fabric options, easy to lift/operate.
 Not suggested for: Light blockage, energy efficiency, easy to clean, speciality shaped windows.

SHEER SHADES

Best at: Ambiance, light filtering, contemporary look, light control.
 Very good at: Variety of colors, light filtering, easy to operate.
 Not suggested for: Energy efficiency, privacy, easy to clean, limited budget, speciality shaped windows

Family Room

Window Treatments



For your multi-function hang-out spot of the house, the right family room window treatment is usually functional rather than formal. That doesn't mean you have to sacrifice style, however. Minimalist roller shades look casual but fashionable in a family room. They come in a variety of colors and patterns to complement or contrast your room design. They also offer a variety of opacities that range from a sheer/light filtering look to total room darkening.

Also consider interior shutters because they will look beautiful for decades no matter how hard your family plays. Choose crisp white Polywood shutters for some contemporary flair or hardwood shutters in a classic wood stain for a traditional look.



PLANTATION SHUTTERS

Best at: Light control, noise control, privacy, energy efficiency, tight light gaps, specialty-shaped windows and windows in wet/humid rooms.
 Very good at: Durability, warranty, ease of cleaning, sidelight & transom windows.
 Not suggested for: Limited budget, light filtering, vast color variety.

ROLLER SHADES

Best at: Light filtering, motorization, texture, room darkening, privacy.
 Very good at: Limited budget, color variety, durability, larger windows, transom & sidelight windows.
 Not suggested for: Wet/humid rooms, really narrow windows, tight light gaps, specialty-shaped windows.

MOTORIZED ROLLER SHADES

Best at: Out of reach windows, full coverage, ease of use, automation, remote/programmable.
 Very good at: Color variety, light blocking, wider windows.
 Not suggested for: Limited budget, wet/humid rooms, specialty-shaped windows.



Home Office

Window Treatments

The best home office window treatments should help you stay productive by minimizing distractions and preventing sun glare on your computer. Motorized roller shades are a great choice for a home office, given the variety of colors, fabrics, and opacities. With a remote control on your desk, you'll have total control over the shades.

Interior shutters give you excellent control over sunlight and privacy. Close them to block outside distractions or tilt the louvers to the perfect angle to redirect sunlight off your screen or out of your eyes without closing them completely. And if you live on a noisy street, solid interior shutters will also muffle sounds.





MOTORIZED SHADES

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Color variety, light blocking, wider windows.

Easy to clean, pets, speciality shaped windows.

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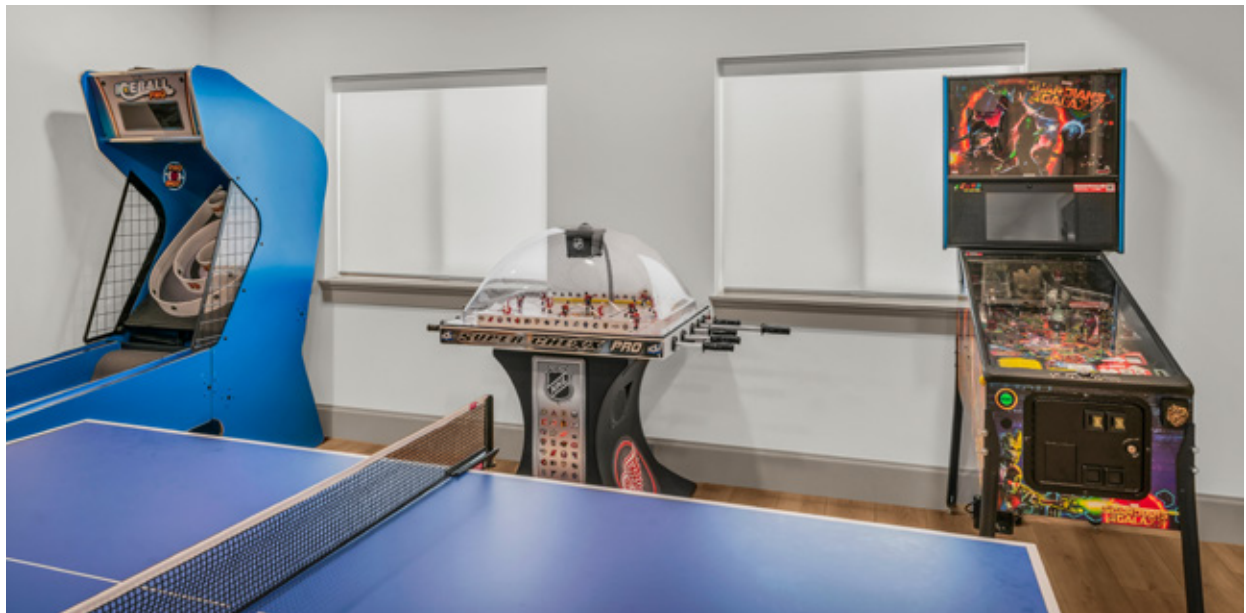
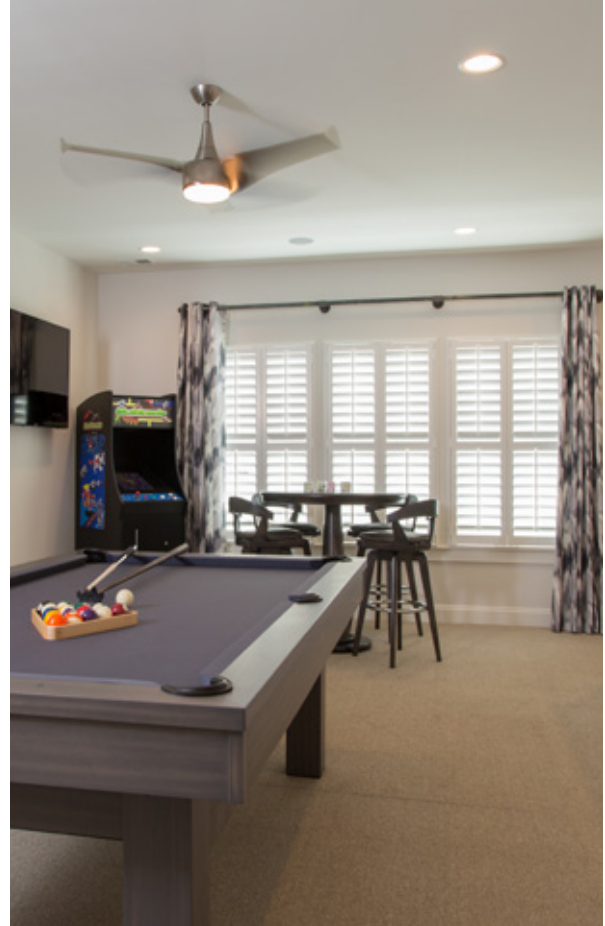
Playroom

Window Treatments



Playroom window treatments should be safe for kids. That means no cords. And while you can get cordless window blinds and shades, kids may still try to yank on these, hit them, or draw on them. Playrooms require tough window treatments like durable Polywood shutters. Their solid construction can stand up to rowdy playing, and their touch paint cleans up easily. Plus, their understated sophistication will still suit the room when the kids grow up and you need the space for something else.





MOTORIZED SHADES

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 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, pets, speciality shaped windows.

PLANTATION SHUTTERS

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Laundry Room

Window Treatments

Save yourself some money on laundry room window treatments and use blinds here since they don't have to be as durable as window treatments in busier rooms. You can open blinds for light when working in there and close them again to keep out prying eyes. Use moisture-proof faux wood blinds if your laundry room gets warm or steamy. Their slats won't warp and crack over time like wood can in those conditions.

Cellular shades are another easy solution for your laundry room. They provide privacy and a classic look.





WOOD BLINDS

Best at: Color variety, light control, cordless operation.
 Very good at: Privacy, color-matching other wood features.
 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, wet/humid rooms, color variety, energy efficiency, speciality shaped windows.

FAUX WOOD BLINDS

Best at: Wet/humid rooms, limited budget, light control, cordless operation.
 Very good at: Privacy.
 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, color variety, energy efficiency, speciality shaped windows.

CELLULAR SHADES

Best at: Color variety, budget, privacy, energy efficiency, tight light gaps, adding dimension to your windows.
 Very good at: Motorization, larger windows, narrow windows, transom windows.
 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, pets, speciality shaped windows.

Sunroom

Window Treatments



Sunrooms get their name from their walls of windows that let in sunlight. But all that sunshine can get too bright and hot. Luckily, window treatments for sunrooms can help you control that light. If you want to enjoy the view without glare in your eyes, sheer window shades are a great option. They have louver-like inserts to redirect light and soft, sheer fabric you can see through even when they're down.

Another great treatment is a roller shade with either manual or motorized controls. Roller

shades can roll all the way up into the cassette at the top of the window opening for a full view outside.

Larger Sunrooms with more space might have room for a panel track shade system. Panel tracks move on a track and are stacked along the wall beside the window. When stacked up, they open the room, but can easily glide back in front of the windows when you need to fight off that hot afternoon sun.

If you're concerned about energy efficiency, no other window treatment will block hot UV rays like Polywood shutters. Their solid materials and patented weatherstripping prevent up to 30 degrees of temperature transfer from your windows.



PLANTATION SHUTTERS

Best at: Light control, noise control, privacy, energy efficiency, tight light gaps, specialty-shaped windows and windows in wet/humid rooms.
 Very good at: Durability, warranty, ease of cleaning, sidelight & transom windows.
 Not suggested for: Limited budget, light filtering, vast color variety.

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ROLLER SHADES

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 Very good at: Limited budget, color variety, durability, larger windows, transom & sidelight windows.
 Not suggested for: Wet/humid rooms, really narrow windows, tight light gaps, specialty-shaped windows.

SHEER SHADES

Best at: Ambiance, light filtering, contemporary look, light control.
 Very good at: Variety of colors, light filtering, easy to operate.
 Not suggested for: Energy efficiency, privacy, easy to clean, limited budget, specialty shaped windows

PANEL TRACK SHADES

Best at: Wider windows, sliding doors, provide full coverage and can be stacked out of the way.
 Very good at: Fabric options, light control, privacy, contemporary.
 Not suggested for: Easy to clean, smaller/single windows, energy efficiency, privacy, limited budget, specialty shaped windows.

Basement

Window Treatments



How do you use your basement? That answer will help you choose basement window treatments. If you use it as an entertainment room, interior shutters will keep out all but the slightest glow of light for movie night. Interior shutters are also perfect for egress windows because they're easy to open if you need to use the window as an emergency exit. Plus, interior shutters look fashionable and help your basement feel homier.



On the other hand, blinds are a good choice if you don't spend much time in the basement and just need to cover the windows. But choose quality wood blinds or faux wood blinds for their durability. They'll last a long time and won't get stuck when you use them.



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<p>FAUX WOOD BLINDS Best at: Very good at: Not suggested for:</p>	<p>Wet/humid rooms, limited budget, light control, cordless operation. Privacy. Easy to clean, color variety, energy efficiency, speciality shaped windows.</p>
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