

MEASURING TIPS WHEN DECORATING THE HOME

DRAPERY:

Mount rod 4-6 inches above window frame or halfway between frame and molding.

Extend rods 3-8 inches on each side of window to make it appear larger.

Panels should be 1-1.5 times the width of window.

For practicality, allow drapes to graze the floor or fall 1/2 in above floor. You can also allow a slight break by having panels touch floor and puddle 1-3 inches.

CHANDELIERS:

Size of light over a table should be 1/2 to 2/3 the width of table. In a room with 8 ft. ceilings, hang the chandelier 30-34 inches above the table. If ceilings are above 8 ft, allow 3 inches for each additional foot.

CEILING FANS:

Blade span is important for efficiency and scale. For safety, mount at least 7 ft. from floor or use a flush mount.

Blade span of 29-36 inches for rooms up to 75 sq. ft

Blade span of 42-48 in. for rooms up to 175 sq. ft

Blade span of 52-56 in. for rooms up to 350 sq. ft

Blade span of 60 in. or larger for rooms more than 350 sq. ft
(length x width = sq. feet)

PENDANT LIGHTS:

Pendants should be hung 30-36 in. from bottom of light to top of counter.

HANGING ART:

Art should be hung 57-60 in. from floor. Rooms with ceilings higher than 8ft, can go a bit higher. Art over a sofa, should be hung 8-10 inches above.

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RUGS:

Dining Rugs- Rug should be large enough that back legs of chairs remain on rug when chairs are pulled out.

Living Rooms- Rug should be large enough for all furniture to rest on rug or large enough that front legs of all furniture can rest on rug.

Bedrooms- Rug should be large enough to have 18 in. of rug on both sides of bed. You may also use runners on each side of bed, in place of an area rug.

NIGHTSTANDS:

Should be even with top of mattress or 2-6 in. higher. Should not be lower than mattress. Nightstands don't have to match but should be same height.

COFFEE TABLES:

There should be 12-18 in. between edge of table and edge of sofa or chair.

Coffee table height should be 1-2 in. lower than seating.

Coffee table length should be approx. $\frac{2}{3}$ length of sofa.

COFFEE TABLE SHAPES:

Rectangular- Coffee table height should be 1-2 in. lower than seating.

Coffee table length should be no more than $\frac{2}{3}$ length of sofa.

