

Pleater Tape with Pockets

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Pleat Tape (item # 090745)-

Tape is 3 3/4 " wide with pockets for pleat hooks every 3/4" appart. Each pleat requires 5 1/2" of tape.

Drapery Hooks

Available for ceiling or wall mounted rods and with or without a locking mechanism. Packages have ten pleat hooks plus 4 end hooks. I recommend the locking style especially for draperies opened often.

Wall Mounted Rod: non locking- item # 090956 locking item # 090746

Ceiling Mounted Rod: non locking -item # 090955 locking item # 090727

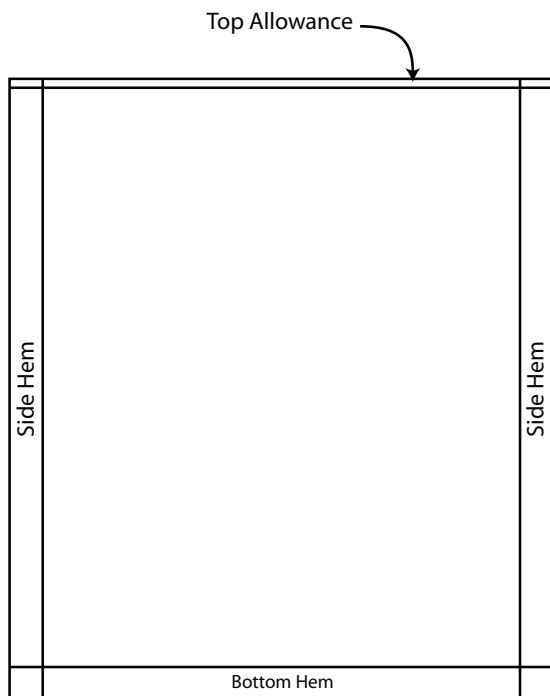
Fabric (see diagram below)

Width- normally two to two and one half the width of the rod. (see Addendum A for additional information)

Length-finished length plus the bottom hem plus 3/4" of fabric for the top fold down allowance.

Directions

Sew drapery panels finishing the two side hems and lower hem.



Look at the tape. Check that the pockets are facing out and that the closed portion of the pockets on the tape are to the top when sewing it to the drapery.

On the wrong side of the drapery, fold in the 3/4" you allowed at the top and place the tape along this edge. Sew tape in place by sewing along the gold line that is on the top and bottom of the tape, then sew the two sides.

insert the Drapery Hooks to form the pleats.

When placing the hooks the prongs go in every other pocket in the tape to form the pleat.

Your drapery is now ready to hang.



Addendum A

The spacing of pleats can be in 3/4" increments because of the spacing of the pockets. (2.75", 3.5" or 4.25" etc.) Divide the width of your panel by the spacing of the pleats you decided on. This will tell you how many hooks you will need (round up if it a fraction). Multiply this number by 5.5. Then add the width of your panel plus what you want to be at the start of your drape.

example: Spacing of pleats 3.5"- width of my panel is 52.5"- I divide 52.5 by 3.5 and get 15.

Then multiply 15 times 5.5 and add 52.5 to this number and one additional spacing width. (15 x 5.5=82.5+52.5=135"+3.5=138.5").