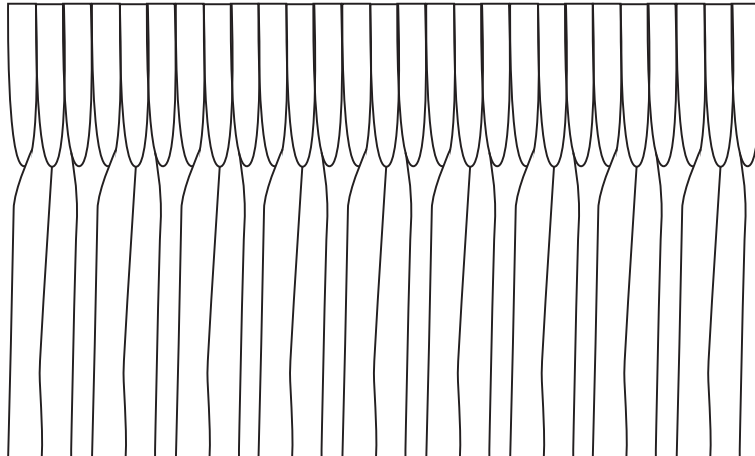


Pencil Pleat curtains



hanging your curtains

Before fitting, Pencil Pleat curtains will need to be gathered by you. Secure (tie off) the cords at one end of the heading tape on each curtain before you start this. Then take the loose cords from the other end of the heading tape and pull to the required width, keeping the gathers neat and even. Check the width is correct by holding each curtain up at the pole or track. Remember to allow for a slight overlap in the middle of approximately 2.5cm (1 inch). Once you're happy with the width, secure the cords by tying firmly. Never be tempted to cut these cords or tie too tightly as you will need to loosen the curtains again before cleaning.

Next you'll need to insert hooks into the tape (we do not provide these hooks), approximately every 7.5cm (3 inches), all the way across the curtain. Make sure you have the same number of hooks in each curtain and the total amount is the same as the number of gliders on your track or rings on your pole. The heading tape has a choice of three rows of pockets for the hooks - choose the row that allows the best fit and look. For tracks this tends to be one of the bottom rows so that the heading covers the track. For poles use the top row so the curtain hangs below the pole.

dressing your curtains

To achieve a professional look when hanging curtains takes time but we assure you it is worth it!

First pull the curtains back, making sure the spaces between the curtain hooks are even and the fabric pulled forward. If hanging from a pole, the fabric between the curtain hooks can go back towards the window if you prefer this effect. Starting from the top, gently smooth each of these pleats. Then use strips of fabric to tie around each curtain to keep the pleats in place. Keep the curtains tied in position for as long as possible - we recommend at least 48 hours if you can. This will allow your curtains to develop distinct and even pleats.

If you would like more information or help with hanging your curtain, please call **0845 604 9612**
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