## UPTOWN

## DRAPES

## How to Install for Custom Drapes, Curtains, and Rods

## **Supplies You'll Need:**

Drill Measuring Tape Uptown Drapes hardware

Level Painter's Tape Two sturdy ladders

Pencil Included hardware for rods Assistants to help in the process!

- **Step 1.** Open the box that contain your new custom drapes, but be careful not to cut the fabric inside. Lay your rods just below the window in relation to where you will be placing the rod on the wall.
- **Step 2.** Find the center point of your window using a tape measure. Mark the center with your painter's tape on the wall. This will be your reference point for the rest of the install.
- **Step 3.** Find the center point of your rod using a tape measure. Mark the center with the painter's tape. This will line up with the center point that you marked on the wall.
- **Step 4.** Slip the finial into the edge of the rod and secure it with the small bolt and the wrench that came with it.
- **Step 5.** Count the number of drapery pins found on the back side of your drapery panels. Subtract one from that number because we will be using the last pin on the outside edge for the return. Take that number that you just calculated and grab that amount of rings and slide them onto your rod.
- **Step 6.** Carefully place your left rod across the two ladders and start hanging your drape onto the rings using the pins. For your left panel, leave the far left pin out of a ring, because we will be using it for the return.
- **Step 7.** With the bracket in hand, use some helpers to carry the rod up to the desired height. We recommend that you lift the rod up so there is a half an inch of clearance from the floor to your drape.
- **Step 8.** Mark where you want your bracket to sit on the wall using a pencil. We recommend that the bracket sits 1 inch away from the finial. Carefully bring the rod down and place it on the two ladders, making sure it doesn't fall off!
- **Step 9.** Drill your brackets into the wall where you just marked. Use the anchors and screws that we have provided. Note that if you happen to hit a stud, you won't need to use our anchors.
- **Step 10.** Now you will be securing in the center bracket. Before you do this, place the left side of the rod up onto the bracket you just drilled into the wall, and use your level to make sure it is even as you figure out where to drill in the center bracket. Also note that it is good to use your eyes from a distance to make sure its level. Once the rod is level, mark the center bracket like you did before.
- **Step 11.** Once again, take the rod out of the bracket and place it carefully onto the ladders. Secure the center bracket into the wall where you marked using a drill and the anchors and screws.
- **Step 12.** Insert the splice into the right side of the rod so you can connect the other half of the rod. Simply secure it in with the small bolt and wrench. Then place the left side of the rod, with the splice attached, up onto the brackets you have just installed.
- **Step 13.** Take the same number of rings you used for the left side and slip them onto the right side of the rod. Slip the finial onto the far right side and tighten it in using the small bolt and wrench provided.
- **Step 14.** Carefully set the right half of the rod onto your ladders and hang your drape up using the pins and rings. Remember to leave the very right pin off of the ring so you can use it for the return.
- **Step 15.** With bracket in hand, lift your rod up and slip it into the splice. Make sure the rod is level using the level and your eyes. Make sure that you have the same distance from your drape to the bottom of the floor that you have on the left side so your drapes are even. Once you determine that everything is even, use the pencil to mark where you want your bracket to be placed on the wall.
- **Step 16.** Remove the rod from the splice and set it down on the ladder. Drill the right bracket into the wall where you have marked using the anchors and screws we have provided. Then you can slip the right side of you rod into the splice and finally place the rest of the rod up on the bracket.
- **Step 17.** Carefully lift up your rod on one side and place the very outer ring on the other side of the bracket so it sits between the bracket and the finial on the one inch space. Do this to both the right and left sides.
- **Step 18.** Now you will be able to finish the look of your drapes by completing the returns. You will be attached the far left and far right sides of your drapes to the wall. To do this, take the last pin (the one we didn't put on a ring) out of the drape and push it back in on the very edge of the fabric. Hold this pin against the wall so it looks square, level and nice. Mark where this pin hits the wall so you know where to drill your screw into the wall. Do this for the left and right panels
- **Step 19.** Drill a screw into the wall where you have marked you pins and leave about of an inch from your wall to the head of the screw so you can hang the pin on the screw. Do this for both the right and left sides. Tighten the pin enough so that it doesn't move simply by squeezing it together with your fingers.
- Step 20. Tighten your brackets so the rod is secure. Do this by using the allen wrench provided. Now you're all done with your install!