

Pleated Valance with Finials

GENERAL NOTES

- This valance can be adapted to fit any window width. The finished length of the valance is approximately 24" at the sides and approximately 18" at the center, with a 21" swag length.
- The valance works best when made from a medium-weight decorative fabric. The pleats show up best if a contrasting fabric is used. The side pleats and center pleats are self lined and the swag section is lined with a regular drapery lining; however, piping or decorative trim must be used to prevent the lining from showing at the bottom of the treatment.
- Use a drapery interlining (available at most home decorative stores) to give the valance the best body and shape. In addition, the color of the contrast lining fabric does not bleed through to the face when sunlight shines through the valance.
- The valance shown in the photograph is attached to the wall with decorative swag holders.

MATERIALS

*These quantities are for a valance for a window measuring 36" to 42" wide (finished width of valance is 44"). See following chart for different window widths. **These amounts are based on 54" wide fabric.***

Fabrics:

- 3/4 yards of decorative fabric for swag sections of valance front
- 1 1/2 yards of decorative fabric for middle and side pleats
- 1 1/2 yards of decorative fabric for lining of middle and side pleats
- 3/4 yards white or ivory drapery lining for lining swag sections
- 2 1/4 yds of drapery interlining (to add body & shape)
- 1 1/2 yards decorative fabric to cover piping

Supplies

- Temporary fabric marker
- 3 decorative swag holders
- 3 balloon shade rings (large enough to fit over your hardware)
- 4 yds of 4/32" cotton piping OR 4 yds decorative trim
- Florist wire – 24 guage

YARDAGE FOR OTHER WINDOW WIDTHS

<i>Window width</i>	<i>Main fabric*</i>	<i>Pleat Fabric</i>	<i>Drapery lining for swags</i>	<i>Drapery interlining</i>	<i>Fabric for piping**</i>	<i>4/32" cotton piping or decorative trim</i>	<i>Swagholders</i>
36"-42"	3/4 yds	3 yds	3/4 yds	2 1/4 yds	1 1/2 yds	4 yds	3
43-64"	1 1/2 yds	3 yds	1 1/2 yds	2 1/4 yds	1 1/2 yds	5 1/2 yds	4
65"-86"	1 1/2 yds	3 3/4 yds	1 1/2 yds	3 3/4 yds	1 1/2 yds	7 yds	5
87"-108"	2 1/4 yds	4 1/2 yds	2 1/4 yds	4 1/2 yds	1 1/2 yds	8 1/2 yds	6
109"-130"	2 1/4 yds	4 1/2 yds	2 1/4 yds	4 1/2 yds	1 1/2 yds	10 yds	7

**These amounts are based on 54" wide fabric. Allow extra fabric for matching patterns or repeats. ** For multiple valances, a total of 2 yards fabric for piping is usually sufficient.*