

Thank you for choosing mr blinds venetian blinds to be a part of your home.

Before you begin installing your venetian blinds:

- Read these instructions fully
- Make sure that you have all tools and hardware needed for installation
- Ensure you have matched each blind with the correct window
- Leave the blind pulled-up completely for ease of installation

Tools & equipment you may need are:

- Phillips head screwdriver
- Screws (provided)
- Tape measure
- Pencil
- Ladder (if required)

## opening the brackets

Each blind has two box brackets - one for each side of the blind (figure 1). Open the box brackets by lifting the front of each bracket while pressing on the bottom of the bracket to release the locking tab (figure 1).

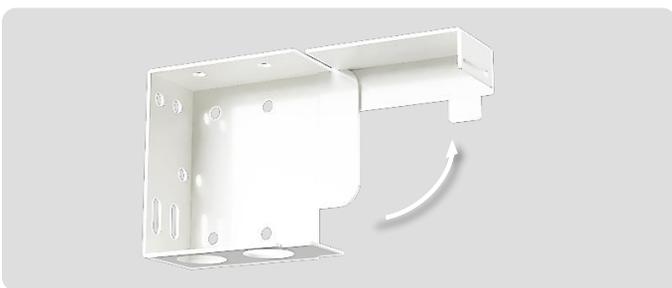


figure 1: opening box bracket

## inside fit - fitting the brackets

- Screw the box brackets to the inside of the window reveal (screws provided). Ideally set the front of the brackets about 14mm back into the frame so that the fascia will sit flush with the front of the window reveal when fitted (figure 2).
- The depth of your window reveal and any obstructions may mean that the blind position (and therefore bracket position) needs to be changed slightly.



figure 2: bracket position for inside fit

- Depending upon the location the brackets can be attached using the top, back or side holes.

## outside fit - fitting the brackets

- Mark the position of each bracket on the wall or architrave, above the window, so that they are set to the 'width' measurement you provided - ensure that the distance from each bracket to the window reveal is the same on each side (figure 3).
- Check that there is a solid fixing behind each bracket - typically there will be a solid wood lintel above the window to fix into.
- If fitting the brackets to an architrave we suggest that you drill small pilot holes so that the screws do not split the architrave.
- Screw the box brackets in place (screws provided). If you are fixing into gib you will need longer screws.

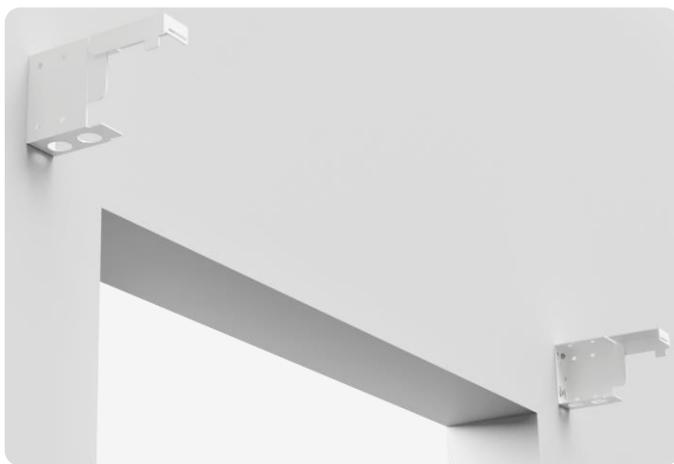


figure 3: bracket position for outside fit

## fitting centre support bracket (blinds over 1.7m)

- If your blind is over 1.7m in length then you will also have received a centre support bracket with your blind.
- Fix this to the window frame so that the back of the centre support bracket lines up with the back of the box brackets. It should also be placed near the centre of the window, however check that it will not interfere with the blind cords or ladders (figure 4).



figure 4: centre support bracket position

## fitting your blind

- Hold the head track with the cords facing towards you, then align the head track with the box brackets and slide the blind straight back into the box brackets (see figure 5).
- Lower the front of each box bracket ensuring that the locking tabs click into place so that the bracket is now 'locked'.

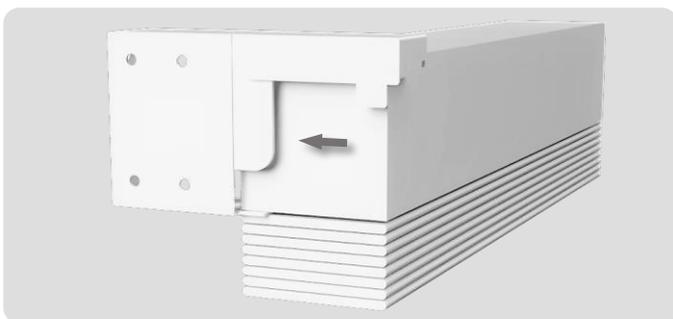


figure 5: fitting blind into brackets

## fitting fascia returns - outside fit (only)

- Remove the backing tape from the short leg of one of the fascia return brackets (L shaped bracket).
- Place the long leg of the fascia return bracket (side with backing tape still on) on a flat surface, then place the end of the fascia return on the same surface, and stick the bracket onto the fascia return, (figure 6).



figure 6: fitting the fascia return bracket (step 1)

- Next remove the backing tape from the long leg of the fascia return bracket, line up the fascia return with the end of the fascia and stick the bracket to the fascia (figure 7).



figure 7: fitting the fascia return bracket (step 2)

- Carry out the same procedure to attach the other fascia return.

## fitting the fascia

- Inside fit - position the fascia so that it sits up against the underside of the window reveal and press into place.
- Outside fit - position the fascia (with fascia returns in place) so that it is centred on the window and lines up with the top of the head track, then press into place.
- If required you can remove and reposition the fascia.

## removing your blind

- To remove the blind, remove the fascia, open the box brackets and slide the blind out.

## trouble shooting

- Slats not tilting smoothly - if your slats are not tilting smoothly then check that the centre support bracket is set away from the ladder strings. This may be interfere with the tilting mechanisms in the blind head track.

# how to operate and care for your blinds

## how to operate your blind

- Tilting the slats - pull the tilt cords (closest to the outside of the blind) up or down to tilt the blind.
- Raising the blind - open the slats, pull the toggle with multiple cords (cords closest to the centre of the blind) down, then release the cords slowly - the blind will lock in place.
- Lowering the blind - release the cord lock by pulling the cords towards the centre of the blind and slowly let the cords slide through your fingers.
- Venetian blinds are not designed to be pulled up regularly. If the blind is pulled up and down regularly the cords may fray over time.

- When opening a window, always pull the blind up first - do not push your hands through the slats as this will damage the blind.

## how to care for your blind

- Surface dust should be removed with a duster or soft cloth (we recommend using a micro-cloth).
- Slats may be wiped with a slightly damp cloth. For wooden venetian blinds be very careful not to get any moisture into the punched holes. Never use detergents or cleaners.
- On windy days, close windows to prevent damage to the blinds.