

# Chart for Valances

## How Valances are Measured and Cut

### DEFINITIONS:

**Inside Mount (IB):** a.k.a. **Tight measurements:** When a window sill is deep enough (at least 3 ¼”) the blind can fit flush in the window sill. This is ideal and the easiest option for installation. A blind mounted completely inside the sill allows the valance to sit flush with the window casing.

**Outside Mount (OB):** a.k.a. **Finished measurements:** When a window sill is not deep enough (less than 3 ¼”) the blind will not be able to sit flush in the window sill. The blind will protrude from the window casing. In this case, returns will be required.

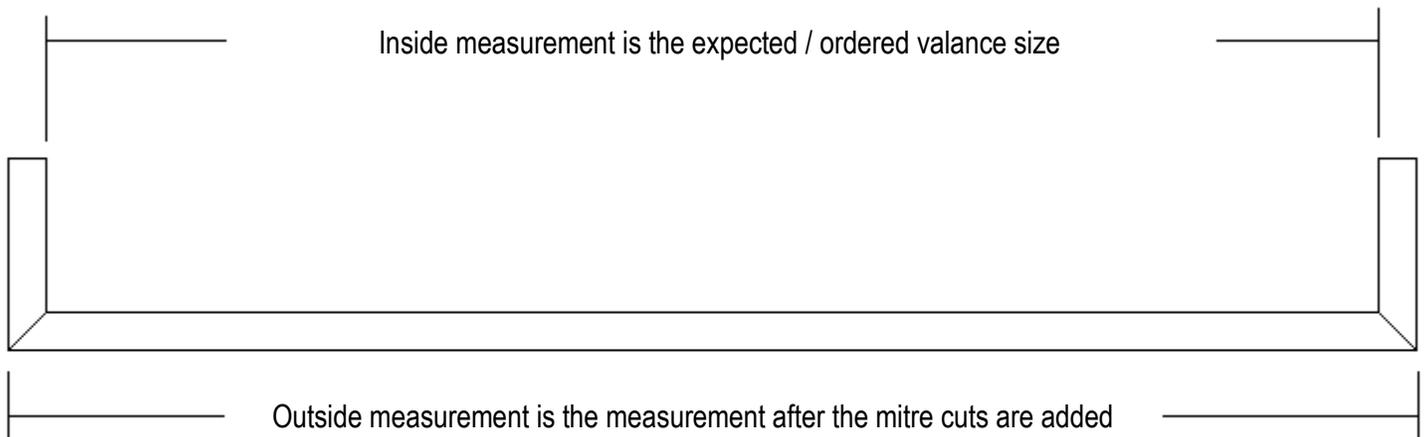
**Valance:** A valance is a decorative piece of molding that sits on the outside of the headrail. There are two styles of valances; Standard or Crown.

**Returns:** A return is a little piece of valance that is attached at a 90 degree angle when a blind protrudes from a window sill or the blind is an outside mount. This little piece of material hides the bracket that is also protruding from the sill.

**Brackets:** A bracket is mounted and secured to the wall and is what the headrail is placed into. The brackets hold the blind firmly in place.

**Headrail:** A headrail is a square tubular piece that hosts all the components of the blind. This is the top piece of the blind.

### **Inside Cut & Outside Cut:**



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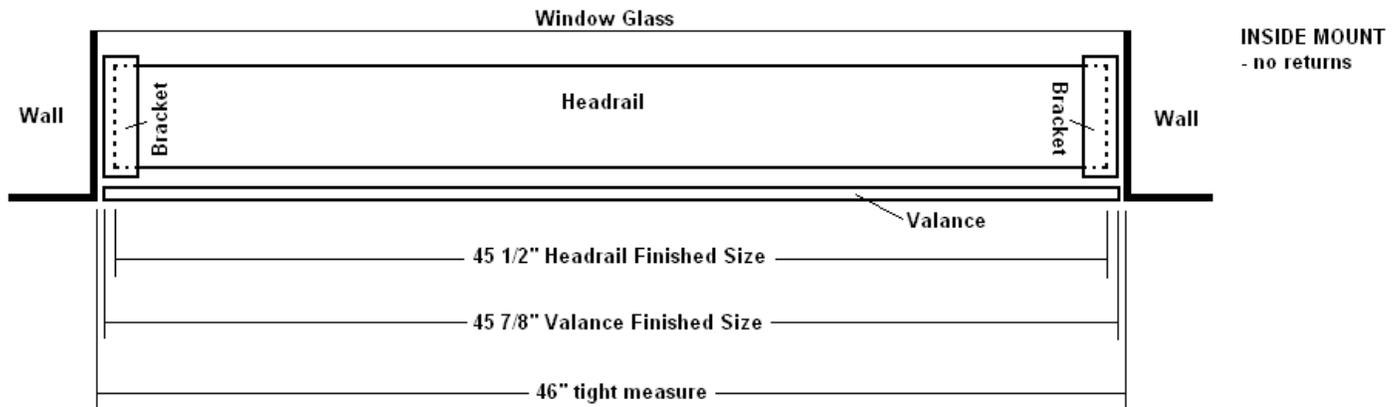


## Valance Scenarios:

The following will explain the different ways valances will be made to accommodate installation.

The valance for an **Inside (IB) Mount [with no returns]** is +3/8" longer than the headrail's finished measure. That is the same as it being -1/8" of the tight size measurement.

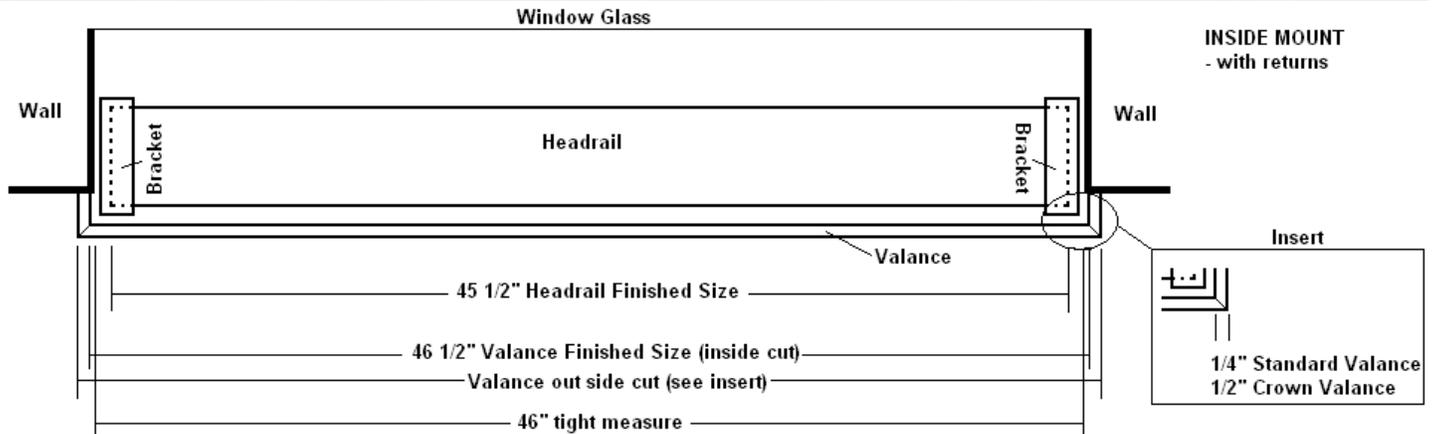
Example of a 46" blind....



The valance for an **Inside (IB) Mount [with returns]** is +1" longer than the headrail's finished measure. That is the same as it being +1/2" of the tight size measurement.

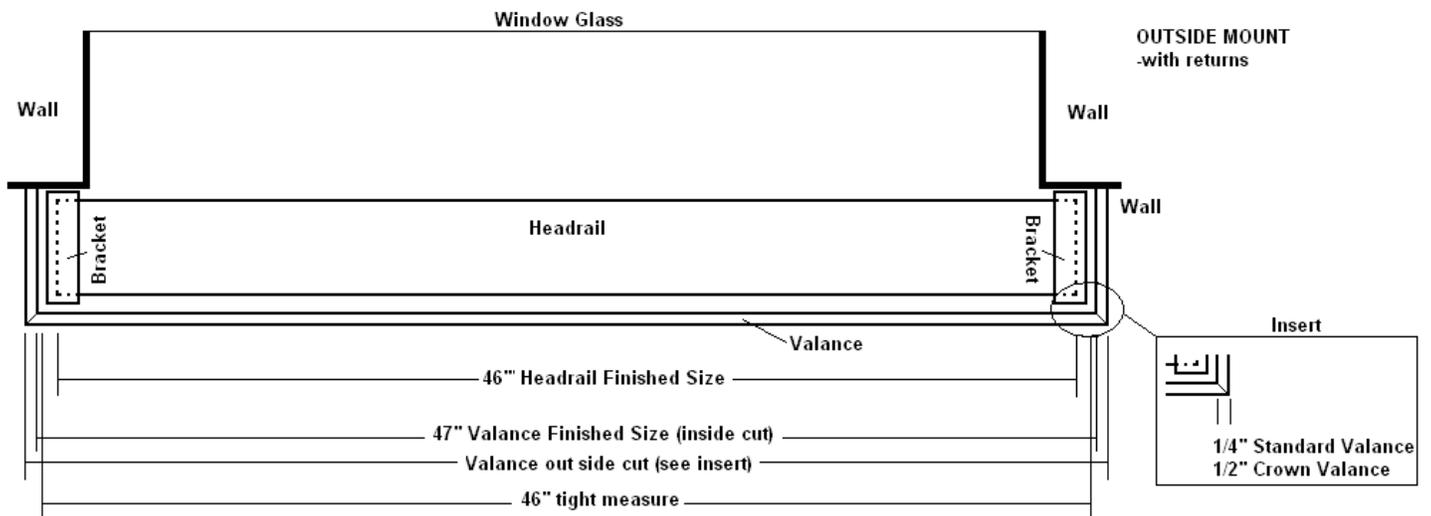
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The valance for an **Outside (OB) Mount [with returns]** is +1" longer than the headrail's finished measure. That is the same as it being + 1/2" of the finished size measurement.

Example of a 46" blind....

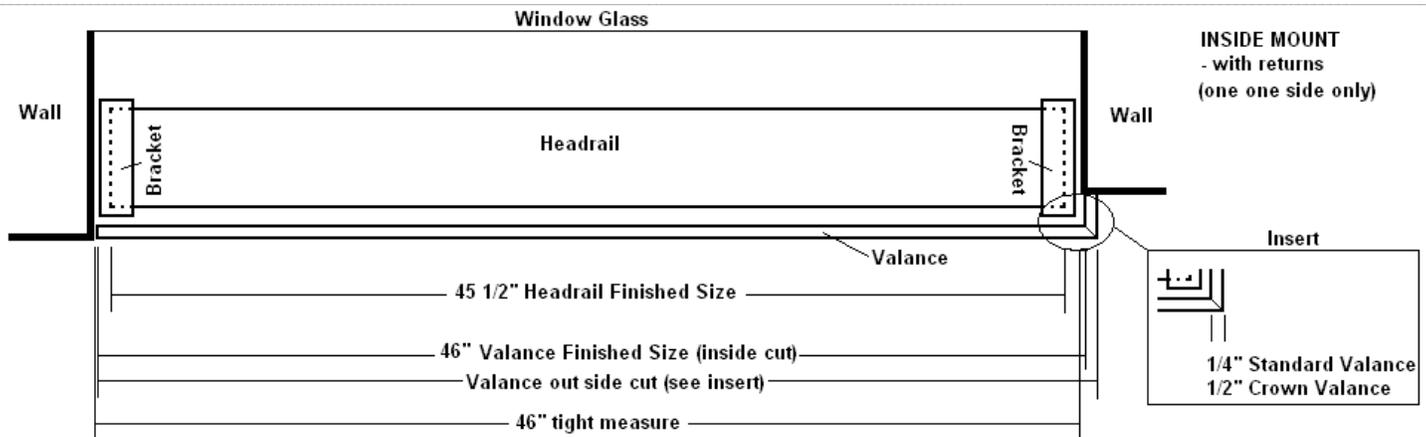


Note: For **OB mount with no returns** the valance is + 3/8" longer than blind, to ensure coverage of the brackets.

The valance for a blind with **ONE return only** is cut at the same size as the tight measure. The outside cut is +1/4" if Standard Valance and +1/2" if Crown Valance.

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Valance cut note: the inside cut of the valance will be 46". The outside of the valance will be 46 1/4" for standard valance & 46 1/2" for crown valance

## To calculate returns:

The following is to help you obtain more accurate return sizes according to the valance style/type.

<u>Valance Style</u>	<u>Clip Style</u>	<u>Return Calculation</u>
Standard (Fauxwood)	Hidden	2 3/4" - sill = return size
Crown (Fauxwood)	Hidden	2 7/8" - sill = return size
Standard (Real Wood)	Hidden	2 7/8" - sill = return size
Crown (Real Wood)	Hidden	2 7/8" - sill = return size

## Valance details:

(The following is approximate sizing)

For those of you who want to know what the outside cut measure is of your valances the following information will answer this questions in case you have space concerns (such as open doors ; example: windows right beside a door that opens towards it and the blind has returns).

All measurements listed below are based on a full measurement from the back of the mounting bracket to the inside valance cut as well as to the outside valance cut (i.e. the miter distance).

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<b><u>Valance Style</u></b>	<b><u>Back of Bracket to Inside Cut</u></b>	<b><u>Back of Bracket to Outside Cut</u></b>
<b>Standard</b> ( <i>Fauxwood</i> )	<b>2 ¾"</b>	<b>3"</b>
<b>Crown</b> ( <i>Fauxwood</i> )	<b>2 ⅞"</b>	<b>3 ⅛"</b>
<b>Standard</b> ( <i>Real Wood</i> )	<b>2 ⅞"</b>	<b>3 ⅛"</b>
<b>Crown</b> ( <i>Real Wood</i> )	<b>2 ⅞"</b>	<b>3 ⅛"</b>