



HOW TO MEASURE A NON RECESS WINDOW - OUTSIDE MOUNT INSTALLATION

A simple measuring guide from The Shutter Store

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Before you start you will need:

- A good quality steel tape measurer (No laser measurer)
- A spirit level
- Paper and pen

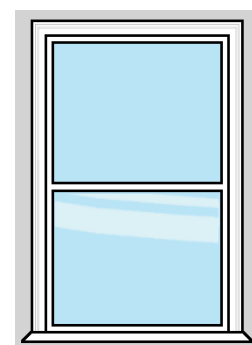
What is a Non Recess window?

A non-recess window is not set back from the interior wall, for example a traditional sash window. Because every slat size has a depth requirement in order for them to be fully operational, understanding recess depth for all windows is important.

Why should I order an Outside-Mount Frame?

If there is no recess depth in your windows or your windows tilt inward for cleaning and you want to keep the tilt in function, an Outside Mount is the option for you. The frame is mounted on either the surrounding walls, on top of existing trim or outside of trim. Each installation requires its own unique way of measuring which we will discuss in this guide.

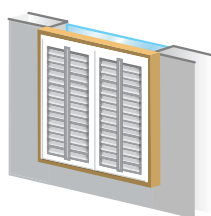
NOTE: Our frames are manufactured with predrilled holes. Depending on the range ordered, your hardware will either include plastic caps, cover strips, or stickers to cover the holes.



Tips!

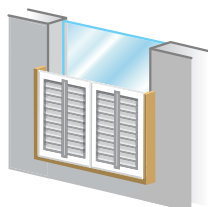
1. Note down your sizes.
2. Go have a break, then come back to double check your sizes before you place your order.
3. You may wish to upload a clear photo of your window with your order. This helps our team have a full understanding of your needs.

How many Frame Sides?



Full Height shutters
Full height with divider rail
Tier on tier shutters

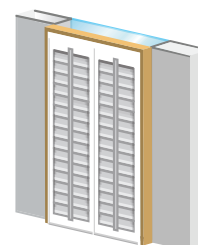
Fitted within a 4 sided frame



Café Style Shutters

Fitted within a
 3 sided frame

No top frame



**Full Height Shutters
 for Doors**

Fitted within a
 3 sided frame

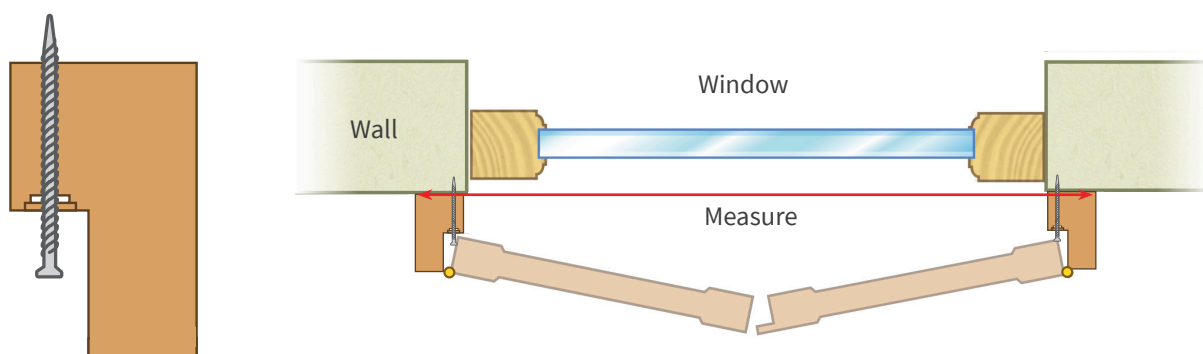
Removes trip hazard

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Step 1: Choose Your Frame Position

At the end of this guide you will find frame templates for each range we offer. To ensure your success story, we recommend printing out the templates to scale and placing them on your window. This will help you visualize your shutter's projection into the room, as well as ensure you are measuring correctly for an outside mount installation. Remember, your final dimensions must include the width of the frame as we do not add this for you. Now, let's take a look at your mounting options...

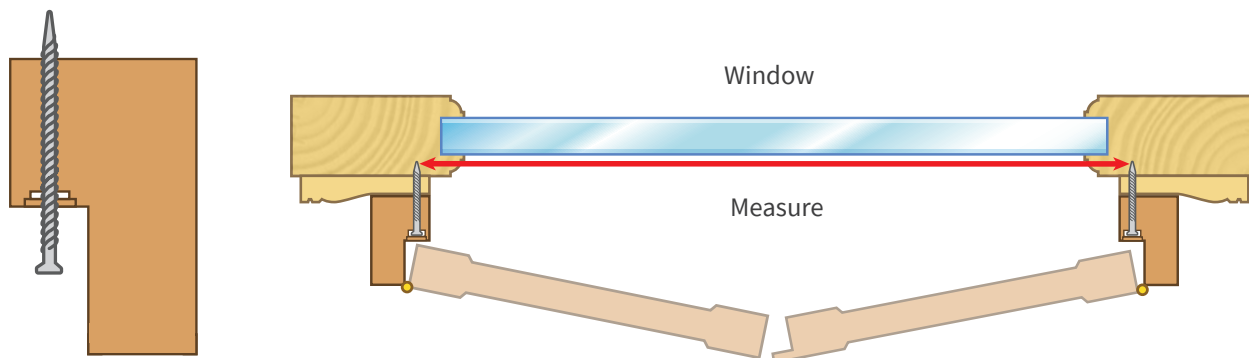
Option 1 - Mounting on surrounding walls where there is no trim



When there is no trim, you want the frame to sit right outside the window's opening. Always a good idea to print the frame template to scale and put up on the wall to ensure any obstruction is accounted for. As illustrated above by the red arrow, the dimensions you provide to us must include the width of the frame as we do not add this for you.

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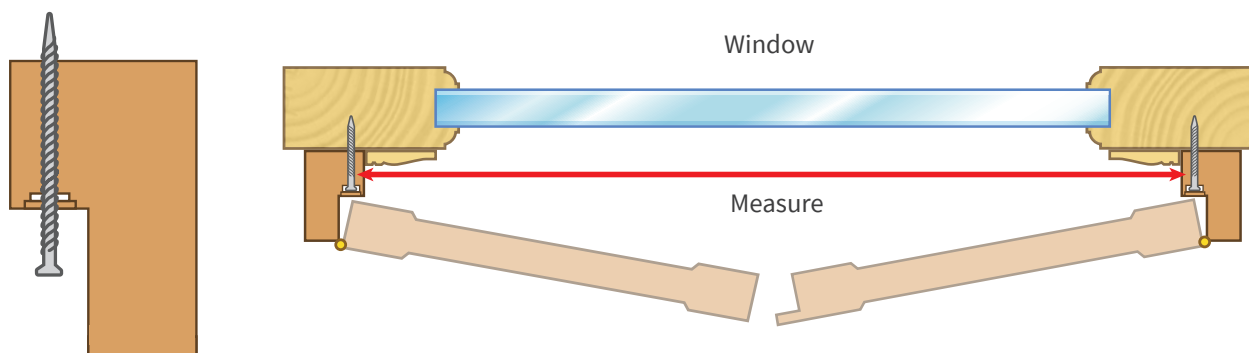
Option 2: Mounting on top of trim



This option is feasible if trim work has a flat surface as that is where the frame will need to mount. If trim is completely ornate, please email us a picture for assistance. Determining where on the trim you plan on mounting your frame is important as this is the position where the width and height must be measured from. For trim that is both ornate and flat, if the flat surface is not the same width as the frame itself, you may need to shim with plywood that can be purchased at your local hardware store.

As shown in the diagram, the final sizes you provide must include the width of the frame as we do not add this for you.

Option 3: Mounting outside of trim



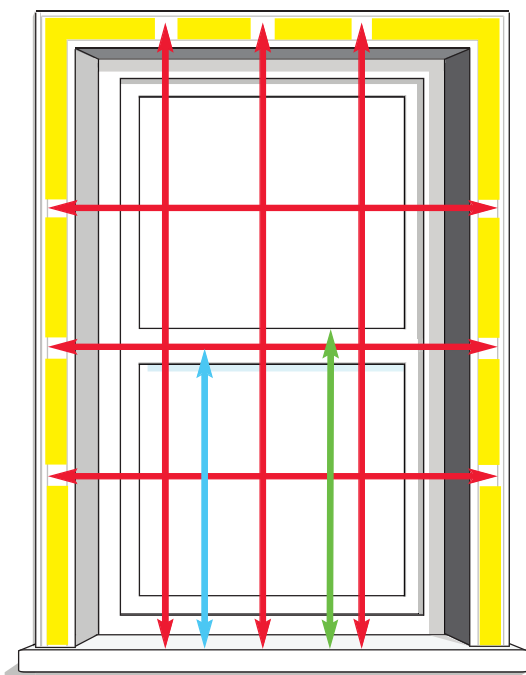
Please be sure to let your assigned shutter expert know if you are opting for this type of installation, as extra adjustments are required to ensure slats are fully functional. This is the best mounting option when surrounding trim is ornate.

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Step 2: Measure Your Window

The principle for all 3 types of Outside Mount installation is the same- Print your chosen frame templates to scale, position them where you plan on mounting and measure including the templates. It is a good idea to print off 3 frame templates per side and place them on your window.



 Width x drop
  Midrail
  Split point
  Frame Fitting onto the Window Frame

1. Measure the **Width** and **Height**, including the frame templates in 3 spots each. We will need the exact largest dimensions.

2. For the **Midrail**, if you have a windowsill, measure from the top of the sill upwards. If there is no windowsill but a bottom frame side, you must measure from the bottom frame up, as the midrail location must include the width of bottom frame.

3. To measure **Café Style** height or **Tier on Tier** Split, measure from bottom of opening up. If you have a window sill, measure from top of sill up. If no window sill, you must measure from bottom of bottom frame up, as the split location must include the width of bottom frame.

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Step 3: Choose your slat size and frame depth

Slat size and frame type go hand in hand. Each slat size has a specific recess depth requirement for them to tilt. With our outside mount frame selection, our frames will help create depth (Frame depth + unobstructed recess depth = total recess depth).

Here is a breakdown of total recess depth requirements for each slat size...

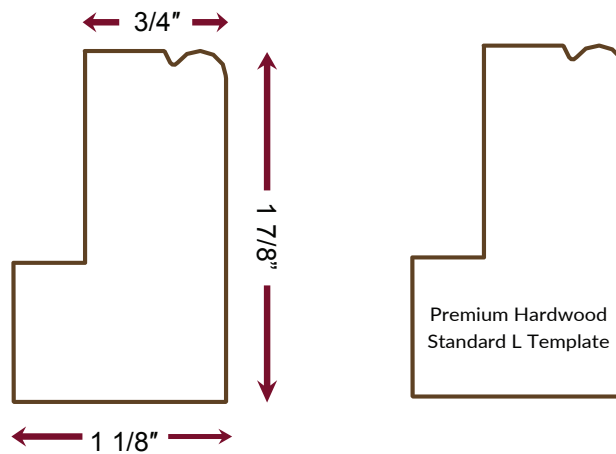
Slat Size	Depth Requirements
2 1/2"	1 7/8"
3"	2 1/4"
3 1/2"	2 3/8"
4"	2 5/8"
4 1/2"	3"

The following pages showcase our different frame options broken down by range. Each frame is unique to it's stated range. Please keep in mind your final shutter dimensions must be inclusive of your shutter frame. For your convenience the frame width is stated next to the frame name.

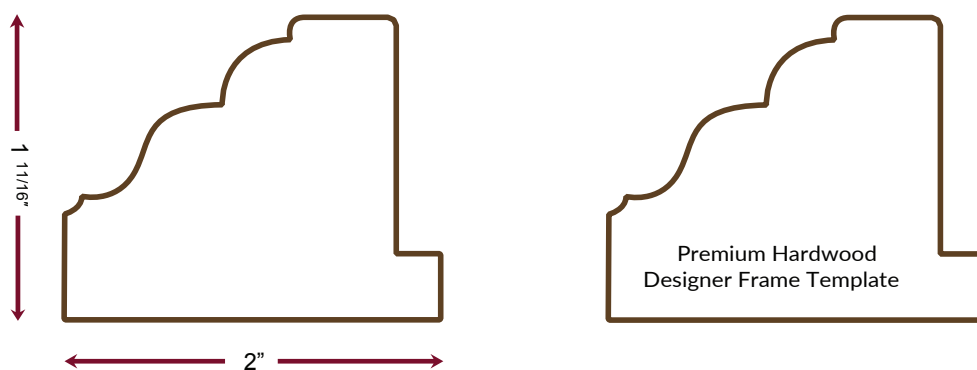
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Premium Hardwood Frame Options

Standard L Frame - Frame width 1 1/8"



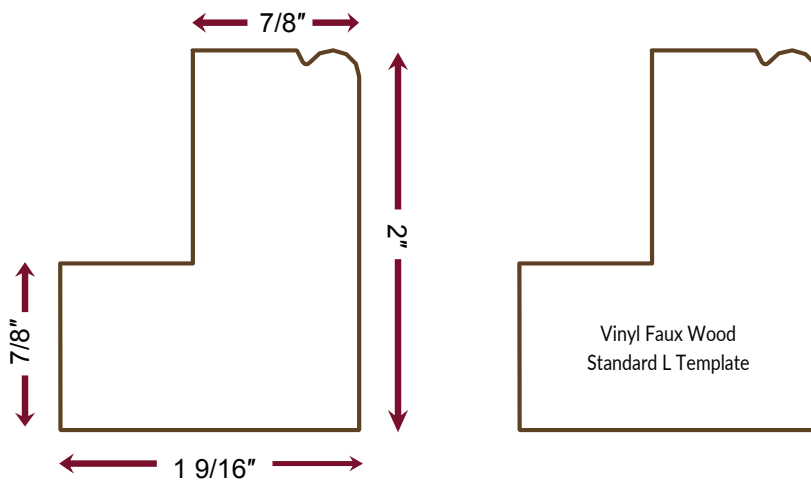
Designer Frame - Frame width 2"



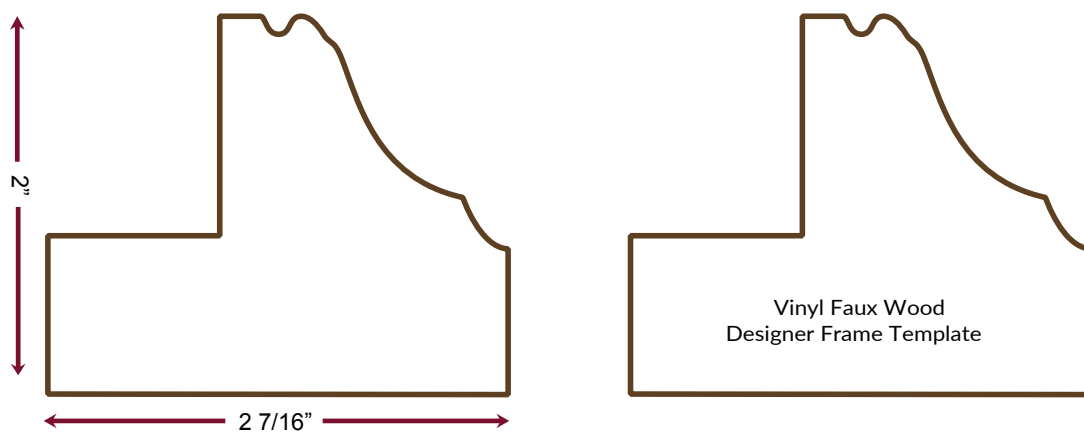
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Vinyl Faux Wood Frame Options

Standard L Frame - Frame depth 2"



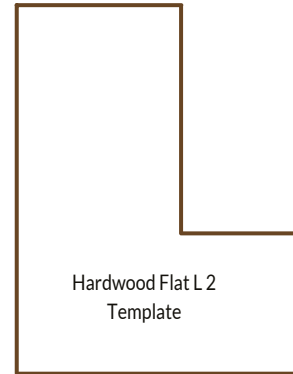
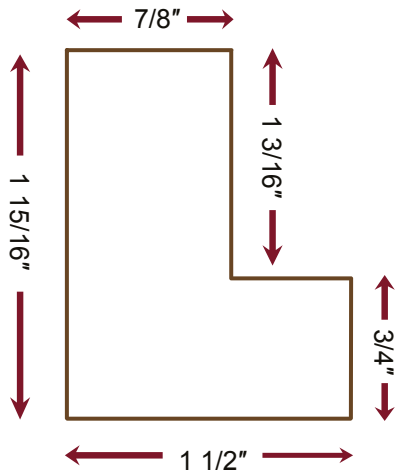
Designer Frame - Frame width 2 7/16"



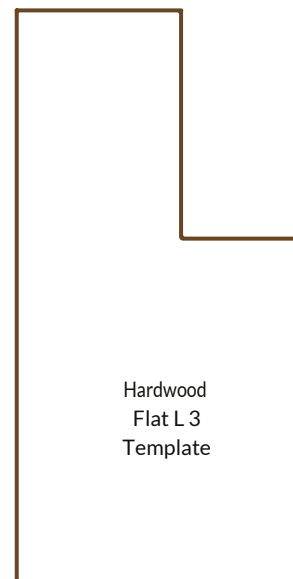
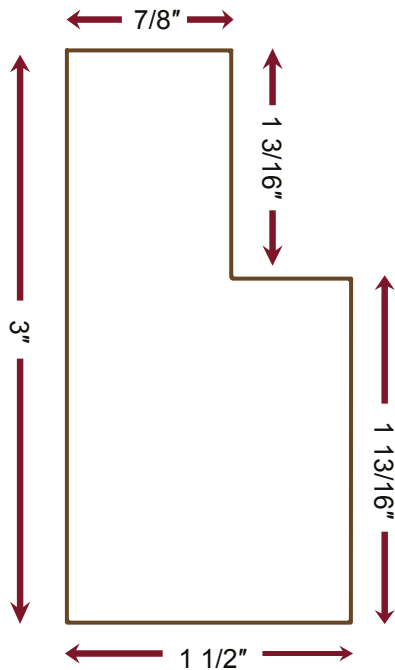
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Natural Hardwood

Flat L 2 - Frame width 1 1/2"



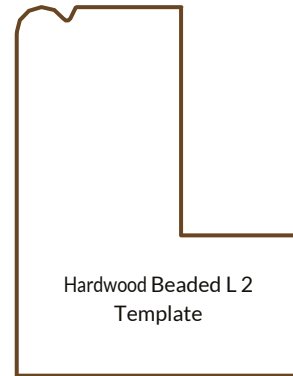
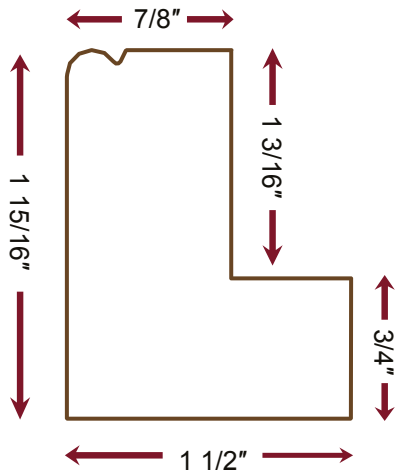
Flat L 3 - Frame width 1 1/2"



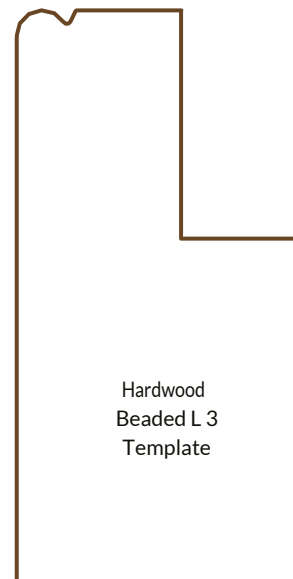
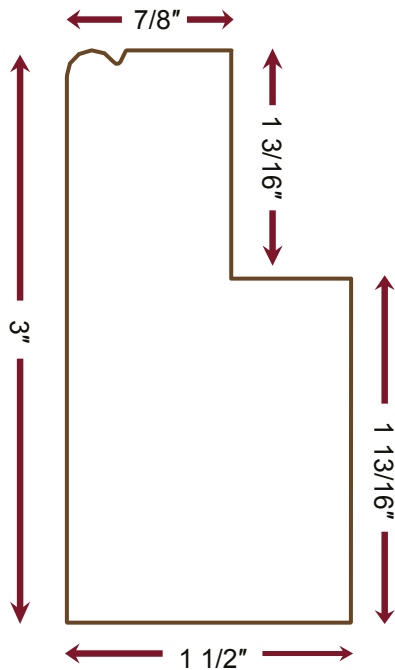
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Beaded L 2 - Frame width 1 1/2"



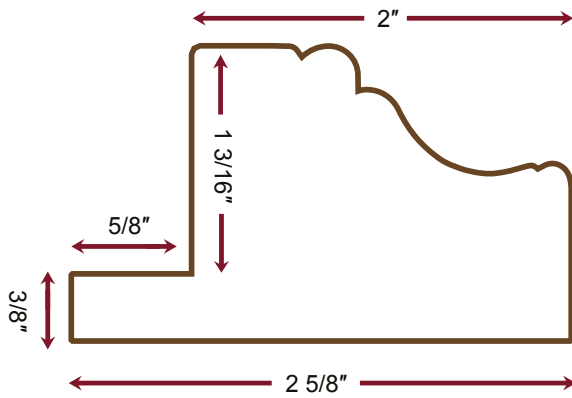
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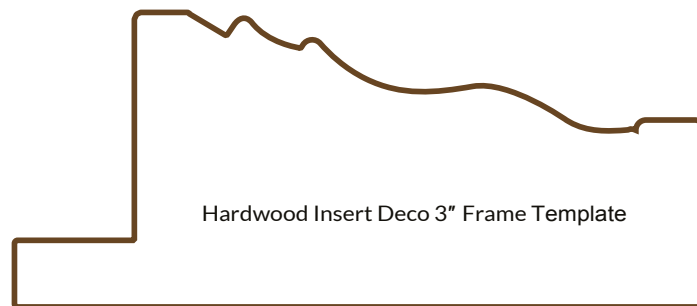
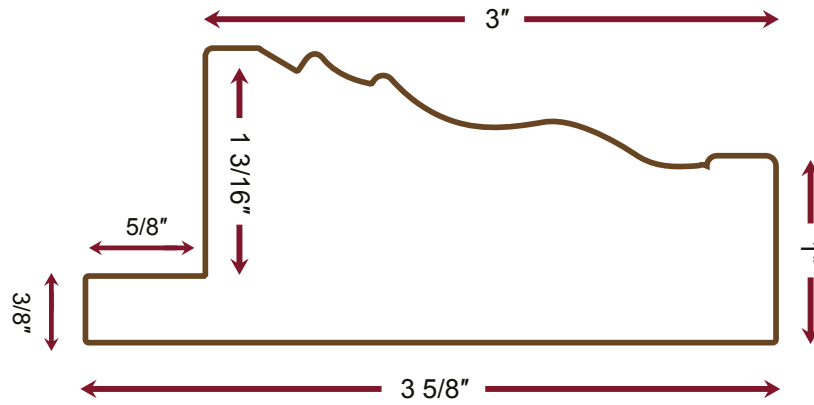
Classic Deco 2 5/8" - Frame width 2 5/8"



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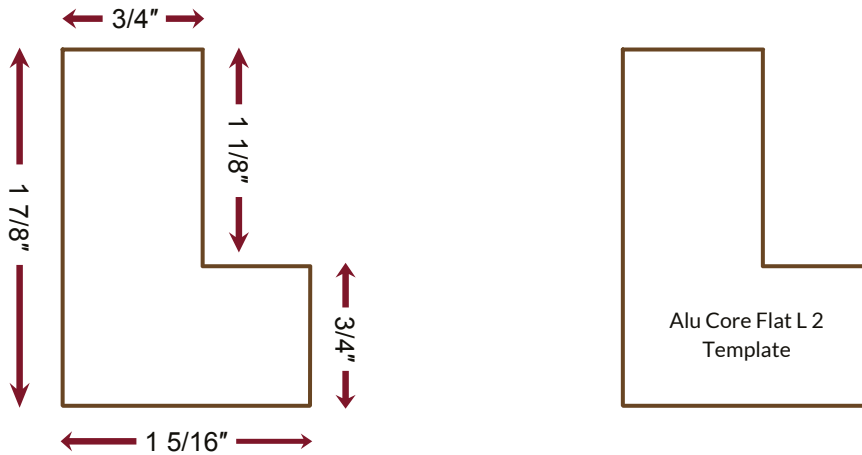
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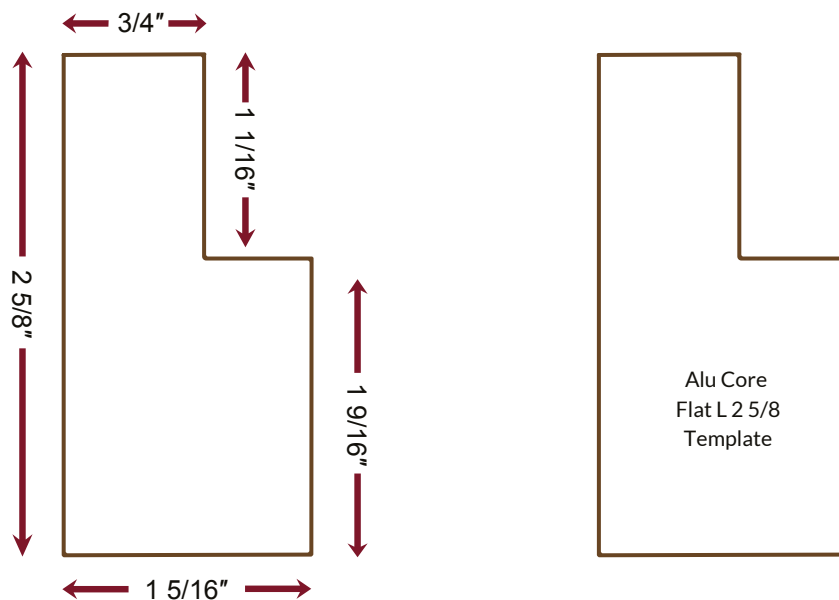
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Aluminum Core Faux Wood

Flat L 2 - Frame width 1 5/16"



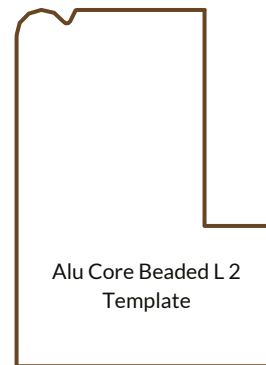
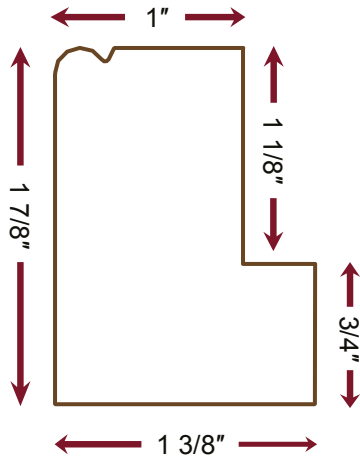
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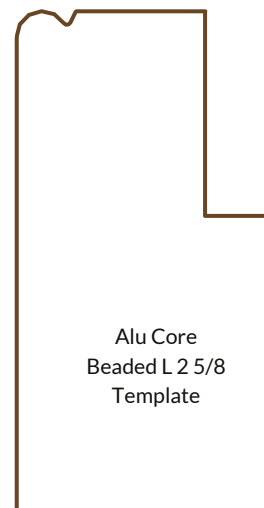
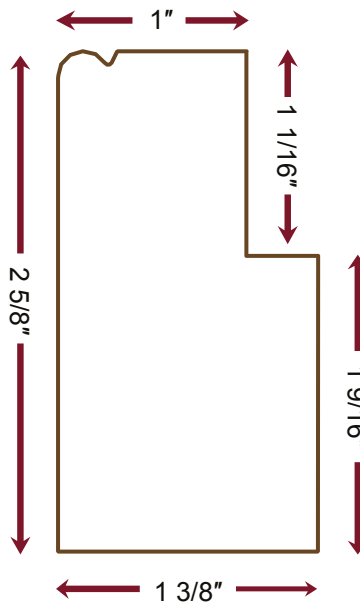
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Beaded L 2 - Frame width 1 3/8"



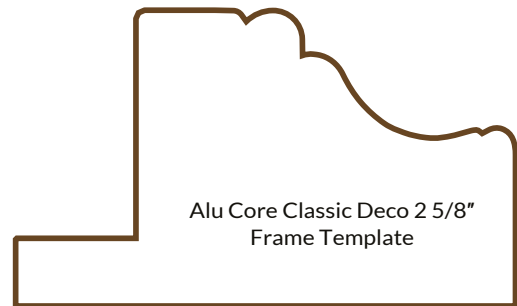
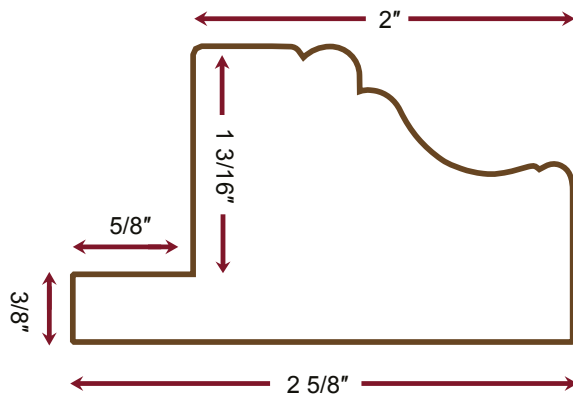
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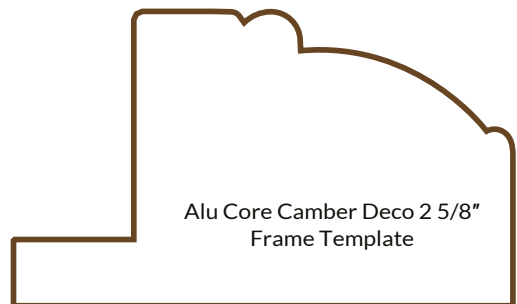
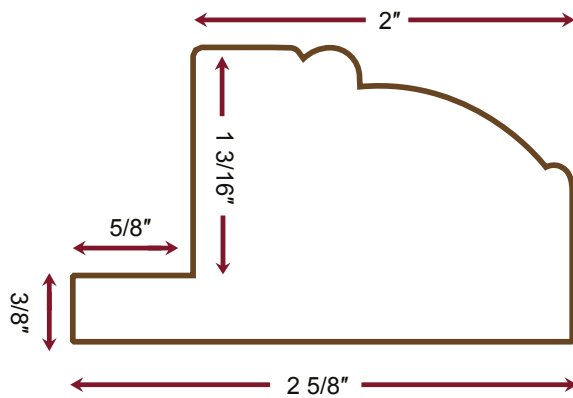
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Classic Deco 2 5/8" - Frame width 2 5/8"



Camber Deco 2 5/8" - Frame width 2 5/8"

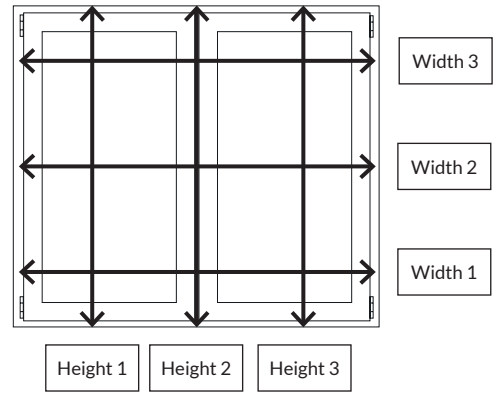



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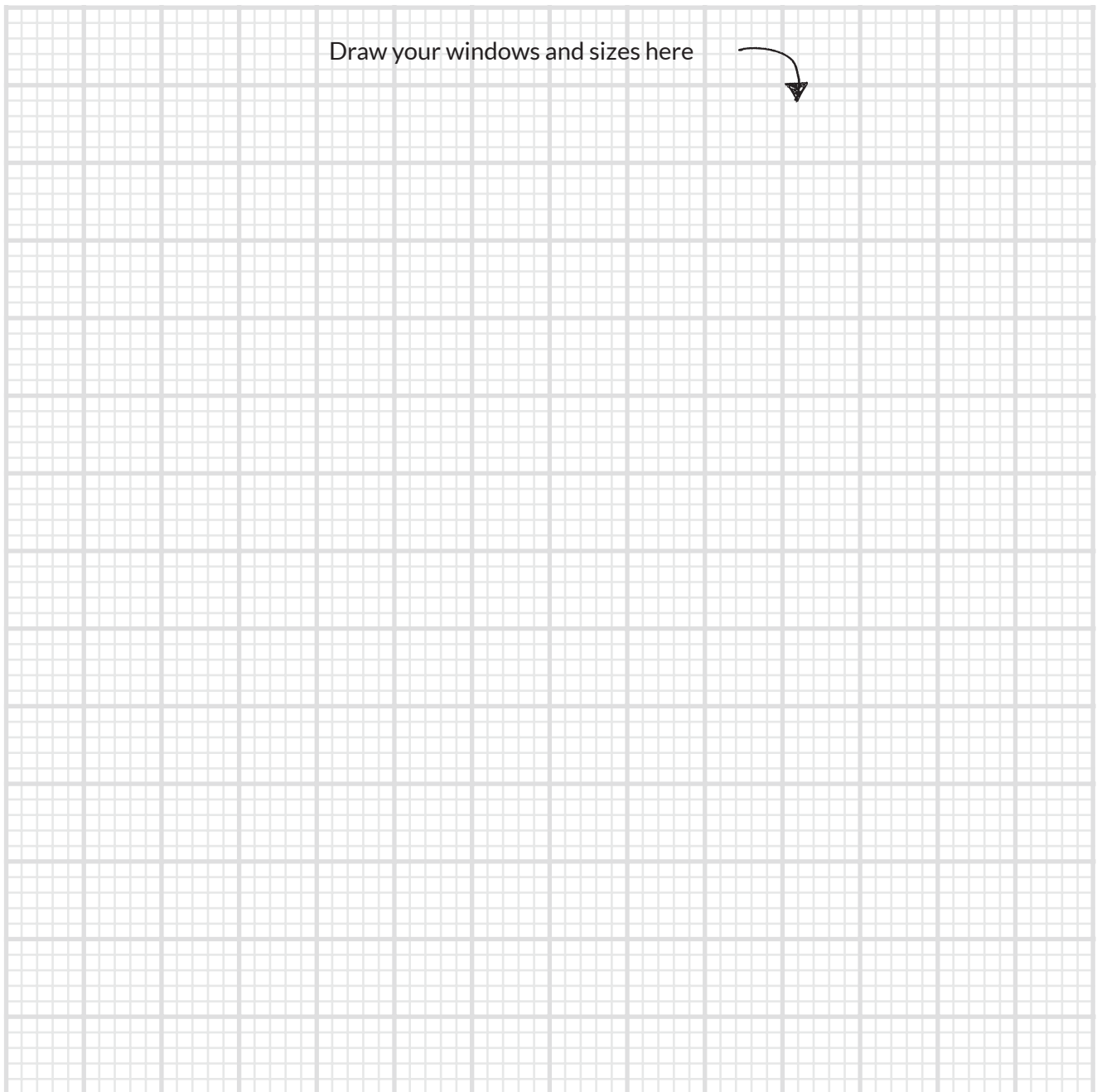
How to measure your windows

1. Measure three widths and three heights as shown in the example diagram
2. Give the Biggest size for outside mount
3. Give smallest size for inside mount

Example of where to measure your windows



Draw your windows and sizes here 



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