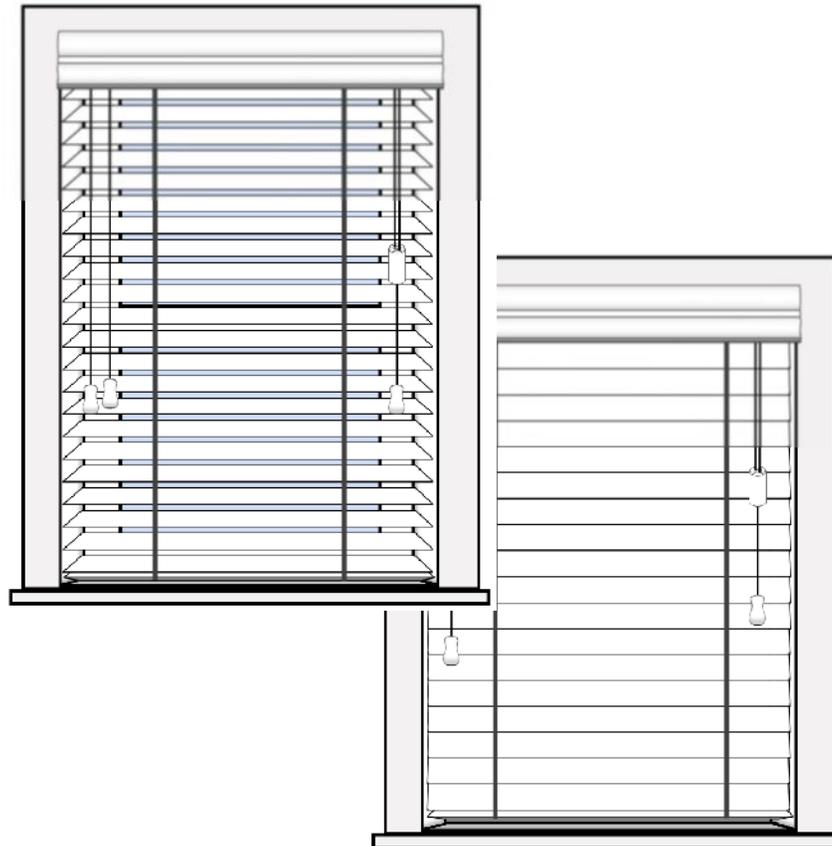


Installation Instructions Horizontal Blinds



Installing Your New Horizontal Blinds

Thank you for your purchase of a Century Blinds Inc. Horizontal Wood or Fauxwood blind.

Please take a moment to review the contents of your parts package.

Your parts package should contain the following:

Standard Parts:

- 1) Left and Right Box-style Mounting Brackets.
- 2) Two Mounting Bracket Screws per bracket.
- 3) Valance Clips. (Quantity and type will vary based on type and width of valance ordered.)
- 4) Center Support Brackets w/screws. (As needed)..

Optional Parts (On request):

Hold Down Brackets

Spacer Blocks or Extension Brackets

- Use spacer blocks or extension brackets to project the standard mounting brackets out over any obstructions (such as window moldings or ledges).

Bracket Requirements:

All blinds require a minimum of two mounting brackets (included). Center Support Brackets are provided based on the width of the blind, as needed.

All 2 on 1 blinds receive 1 support bracket.

All 3 on 1 blinds receive 2 support brackets.

Wood blinds:

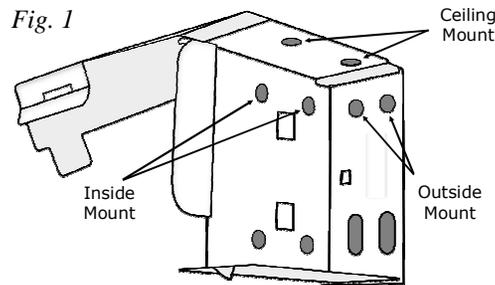
- Over 69" 1 support bracket
- Over 95" 2 support brackets

Softwood Blinds:

- Over 60" 1 support bracket
- Over 95" 2 support brackets

Screw Holes

Always use at least two screws per bracket, to ensure a strong, secure mount.



Mounting the Brackets:

The box-style mounting brackets are designed to work in all possible mounting applications. Figure 1 (previous page) indicates which screw holes would be used for each option.

Mount brackets as shown below, either Inside Mount, (Fig 2a) or Outside Mount (Fig 2b). Always use all brackets supplied.

Fig. 2a

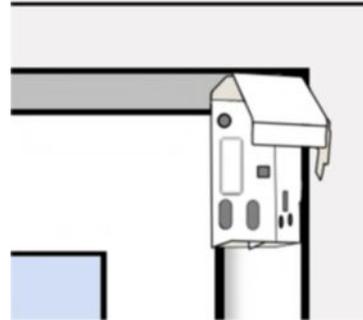
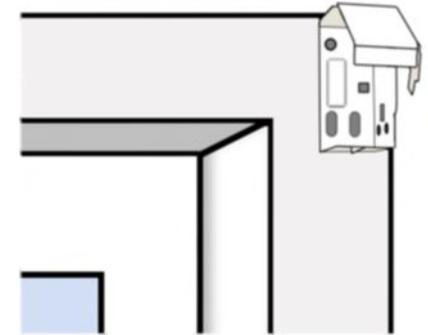
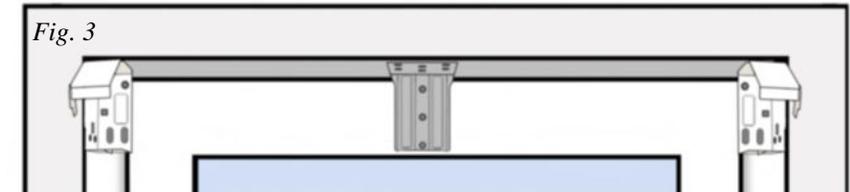


Fig. 2b

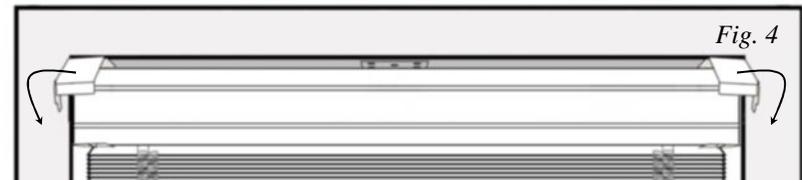


Mount center support brackets (if needed), near the center of the window. (Fig 3) Be sure to mount the support bracket (s) in positions that will not interfere with the operating mechanisms of the blind.



Installing the Blind:

Position the headrail in the box-style brackets as shown. (And in support bracket if used). Swing the covers down and snap them closed. (Fig 4)



Routeless/Privacy Blinds:

Due to the unique cording method of routeless blinds, the slats may shift out of the ladder braid during shipping, installation, and aggressive use. To ensure proper operation of the routeless/privacy blind, it is important to check the slats are properly seated onto the ladder braid. The ladder braid should be securely seated into the notches on the edge of each slat.

The following diagrams show a slat properly engaged to the ladder braid (Fig 5a), and one that has become un-seated (Fig 5b). To fix the slat, move the slat or the ladder braid until the ladder is re-seated into the notch.

Fig. 5a

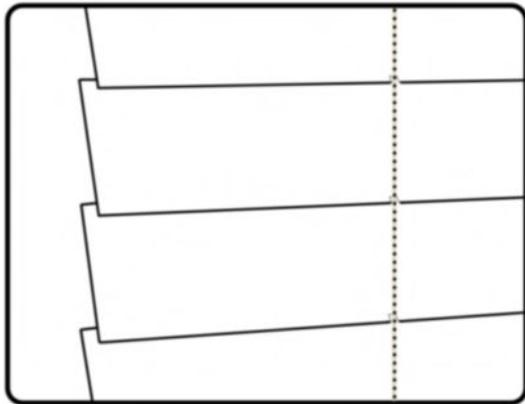
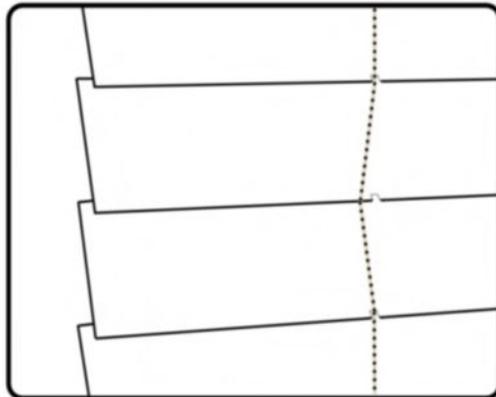


Fig. 5b

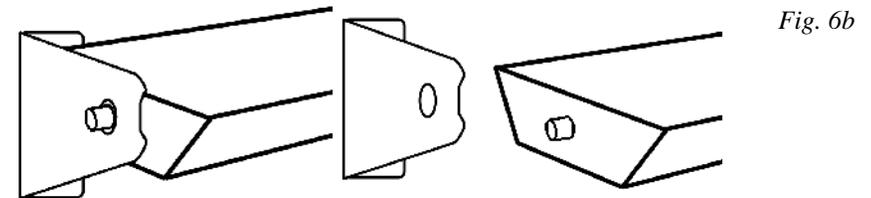
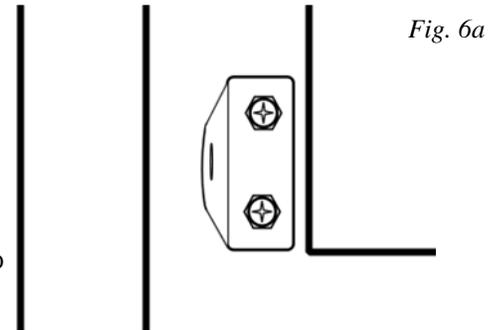


Hold-Down Brackets:

Hold-down brackets may be used to prevent the blinds from swaying when mounted on doors or exposed to the wind.

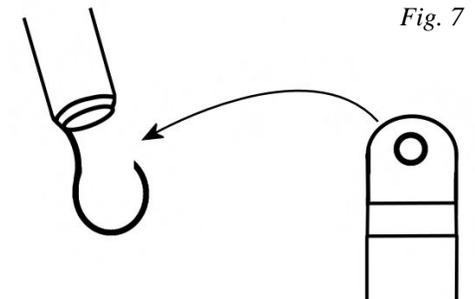
Attach the hold-down bracket to the lower corner of the window jam or sill with the screws provided. Fig 6a)

The hold-down pin comes pre-attached to the end of the bottom rail. After the bracket is installed, insert this pin into the bracket. (Fig 6b)



Tilt Wand Attachment: (where applicable)

Attach wand to tip over the end of the tilter hook. Slide the clear cover down to hold wand in place. (Fig 7)



Final Adjustments:

Alignment: After installing the blind, tilt the slats open, then raise and lower the blind several times. This motion will allow the cords and slats to properly align themselves.

For best performance, blinds should only be raised or lowered when the slats are in the horizontal position.

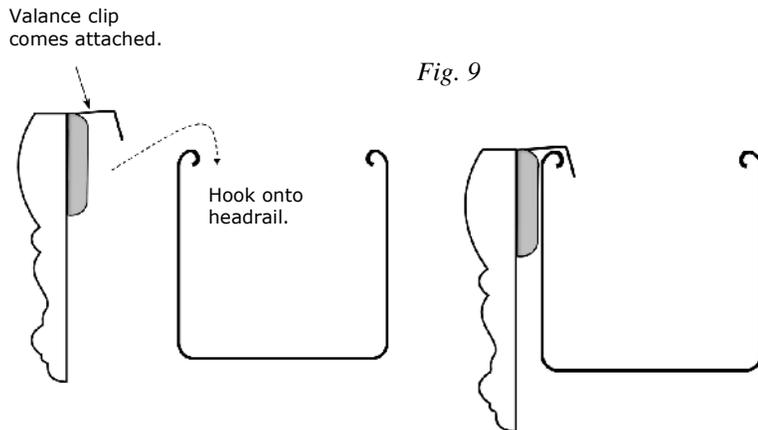
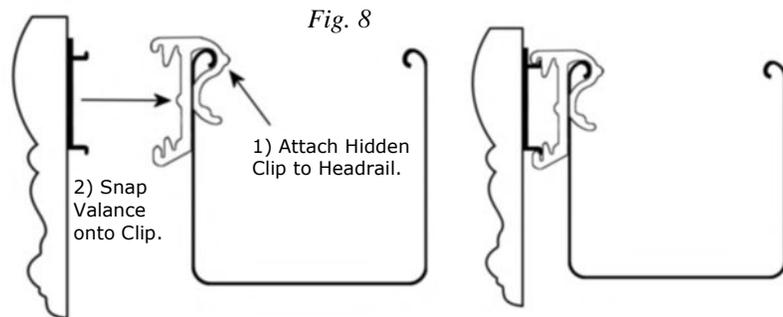
Installing the Valance:

The type of valance clip included in your package will vary depending on the type of valances you have ordered. You will either receive a hidden valance clip, Drop-In metal valance clip or inset magnet (for flush mounts only).

Hidden valance clips (Fig 8): attach plastic clip to headrail before installing blind. After the blind is installed, attach the valance to the clips.

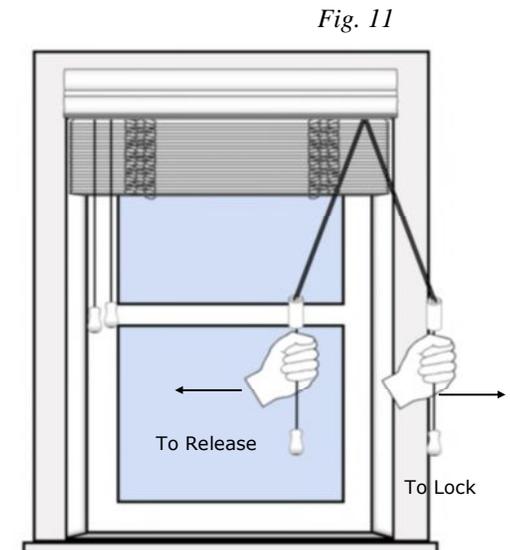
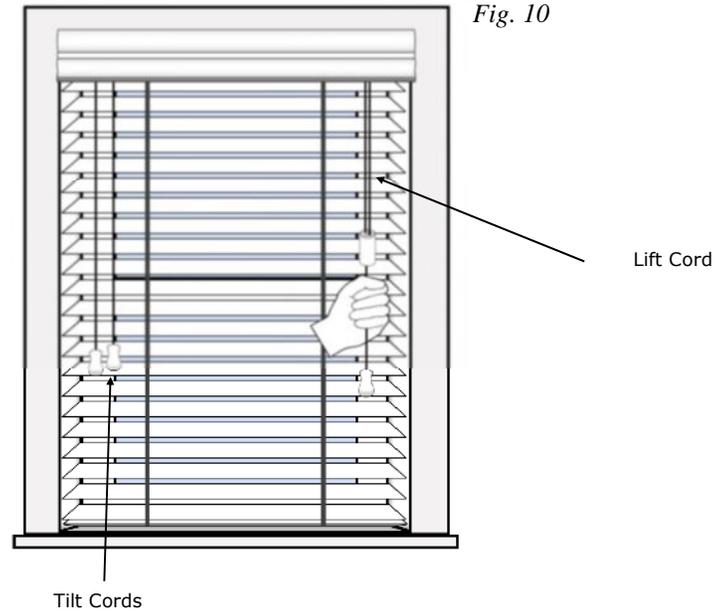
Drop-In Clips (Fig 9): These valance clips come attached to the blind already by the factory. Simply hook the clips to the headrail of the blind after the blind is installed.

Inset Magnets (Not shown): After blind is installed, mount valance to front surface of headrail using the magnets attached to the valance. Make sure the magnets are able to make a flat connection to the headrail surface.



Operating the Blind:

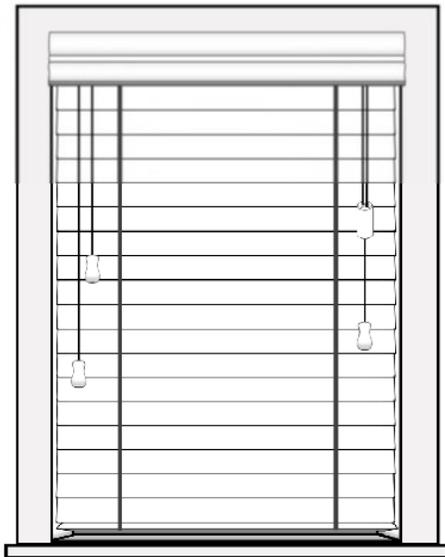
To raise the blind, tilt the slats open, then grab the lift cord, and pull straight down. (Fig 10) Pull the cord to the outside of the window frame to lock the blind in the raised position. To lower it, pull the tilt cord to the inside of the window to release the cord lock, and gently lower the blind down to the window sill. (Fig 11)



Care and Cleaning:

Dust the blinds regularly, using a soft clean cloth, a dusting mitt, a vacuum cleaner with a soft brush attachment, or a dusting brush designed for use with blinds. When cleaned regularly, surface dust is easily removed. Cleaning is best done when the blinds are lowered. Tilt the slats forward to clean the upper surface, tilt backward to clean the lower surface.

Stains and heavier dirt can be cleaned off with a dampened cloth, using water or a mild cleaning solution. Never use harsh cleansers or chemical cleaners, as this may cause permanent damage and discoloration to the slats or ladder cords.



Child Safety - Horizontal Blinds

Young children can STRANGLE in cord loops and in the loop above the cord stop. They can also wrap cords around their necks and STRANGLE. In addition, inner cords can pull out to form a loop, which can STRANGLE a young child.

- Always keep cords out of children's reach.
- Move cribs, playpens, and other furniture away from the windows, so a child cannot reach the operating cords.
- Do not tie cords together. Make sure cords do not twist together to create a loop.



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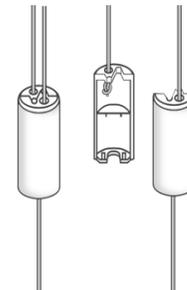
Century Blinds Inc. manufactures its products in accordance with ANSI/WCMA recommendations for Child Safety.

To help prevent children from becoming tangled in lift cords, all blinds or shades made with standard lift operation come with a Safety Breakaway on each shade lift cord, which separates into two pieces when pressure is applied between the cords. If your Breakaway is pulled apart, simply snap the two halves back together.

For increased safety, also included in your installation package are Cord Cleats, used to anchor the lift cord to the wall when the blind or shade is raised.

Mount the Cord Cleats to the side of the window frame, at a height where they will be out of reach for children. When the blind or shade is raised, wrap the lift cord around the Cord Cleats to anchor it safely.

Safety Breakaway



Cord Cleats



The Window Covering Safety Council (WCSC) and the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) are urging parents and caregivers to check their window coverings for exposed or dangling cords that can pose a strangulation hazard to infants and young children, and to retrofit or replace them with today's safer products. WCSC and CPSC recommend that only cordless window coverings or those with inaccessible cords be used in homes with young children.