

# Natural Woven Shade

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» THE BEST SHADE DESIGN IN THE INDUSTRY

» EXCLUSIVE HAND-CRAFTED DETAILS ONLY A  
LEADING FABRIC WORKROOM CAN OFFER

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Most natural shades are produced by window blind manufacturers using basic cut and glue or staple techniques. Castec's Natural Woven Shade line is the only one designed and produced by a leading fabric Roman Shade supplier using many classic Roman Shade construction techniques.

Castec invests considerably more in labor and material in producing and finishing the shade – and the attention shows. High-end sewing techniques are utilized and a variety of hand-crafted design details make for a truly exceptional shade you can be proud of offering your clients.

## EXCLUSIVE MATERIALS

Castec searched the world for the beautiful reeds, grasses and fibers featured in this collection. Exclusive designs and special hand-fed looms allow rich, exciting looks not available elsewhere. Only top weavers are used to ensure the best quality and consistency available.

## EXTRA-WIDE SHADES AVAILABLE

Some materials are available up to 10 feet wide without seams. And most materials are available seamed using a proprietary system that provides very attractive seams and the largest shade width range in the industry (see seamed swatch sample in back of sample book).

## MOTORIZATION OPTIONS

Castec is the largest seller of motorized natural shades in the US. Select from a wide range of motorization and control options. In-house experts are available to advise on motor specification and design.



## CONTINUOUS CHAIN OPTION

A powerful continuous chain control option is available to minimize dangling cords when the shade is raised.

## SPECIALTY SHAPE OPTIONS

Complete custom capabilities allow fabrication of a variety of custom shapes made to your template, including: arch top, slant top, and A-frame top.

# Features



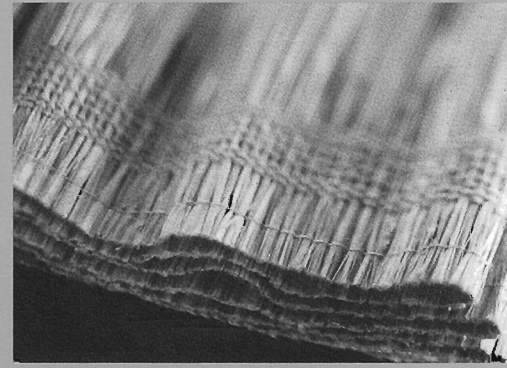
## INNOVATIVE SHADE STYLES

Select from the best shade style options in the industry, including Roll Up, Top Down and DuoShade. Our exclusive DuoShade style gives you complete control over light and privacy – allowing you to specify a roller shade hidden behind the natural shade made in either light-filtering or blackout fabrics.

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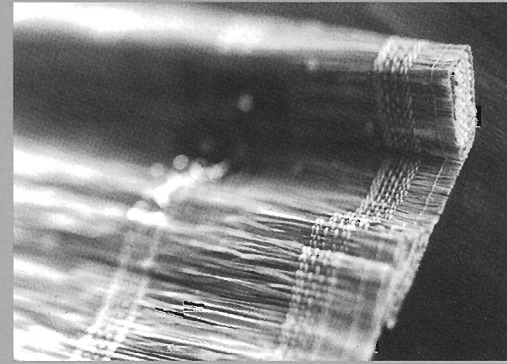
### SEWN SHADE EDGES

Grass and other loosely woven materials are cleanly stitched on the edges. The color-matched stitching is barely visible, but dramatically increases the durability of shade cloth edges. Edges maintain a clean appearance with greatly reduced fraying over time compared to others.



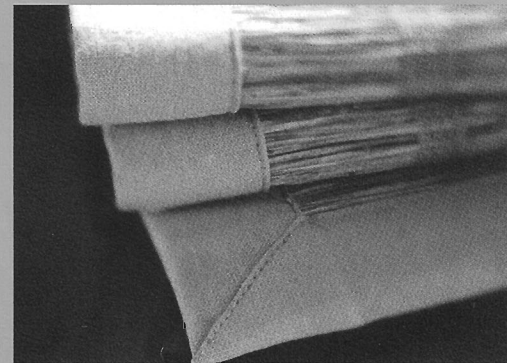
### WRAPPED HEADRAIL

The solid timber headrail is carefully wrapped in the same fabric as the shade cloth for a clean, finished appearance. For materials too thick to wrap, the headrail is hand-stained a coordinating hue. Others use inexpensive, unfinished raw wood.



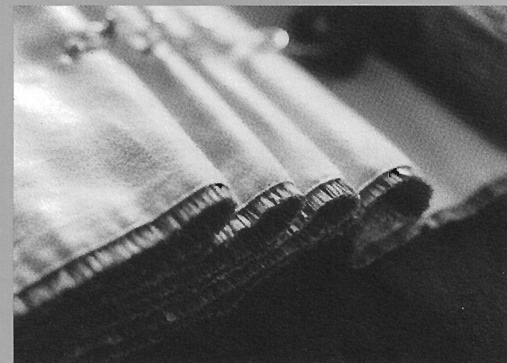
### SUPERB EDGE BINDING

Most shade materials are available with 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" edge binding. The binding wraps around front and back and is carefully sewn on for a clean, finished appearance. Castec's mitered corners have a tailored design much more attractive than glued-on banding available from others.



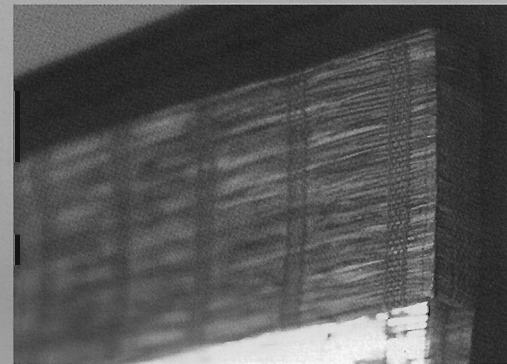
### BEST LINING DESIGN

Tailored construction and hand-finishing neatly attaches the optional lining to the shade. Exclusive jute-colored lining is used with most materials to naturally blend with all but white patterns. Others use stark white lining poorly attached to the shade.



### BEST VALANCE RETURNS

Hand-crafted valance returns are carefully laminated and recessed into the ends of the shade for a clean appearance on outside mounted shades. This Castec exclusive design eliminates the cheap-looking eyesore most other valance return designs create.



# To Order

Please use the enclosed order form when ordering. Photocopy as needed for additional forms.

- ① **Select Shade Style**  
Select from the five shade styles shown far right.
- ② **Select Material**  
Consider any material limitations such as width and whether your sizes require seaming. See material swatches for complete information by material.
- ③ **Measure Windows and Determine Type of Mount**  
Select inside or outside mount. Refer to page 14 for shade measuring instructions.
- ④ **Select Lifting System**  
Cord and pulley: *no charge (standard)*  
Shades are made with a standard cord and pulley system for lifting the shade. This lifting system includes a wall-mounted cleat to wrap the cord around when the shade is in the "up" position.  
  
Cord locks are available upon request at no extra charge, but are not recommended. Be aware that certain size shades will not work at all with cord locks. For guidance, call our Customer Service Department at (800) 828-2500.  
  
Continuous Chain Operation (CCO): *add \$94/shade*  
A continuous chain loop operates a powerful wind up lifting mechanism that eliminates dangling cords. The chain color coordinates with the shade material.  
  
Motorized Lifting System: *add \$752/shade*  
A high quality European AC motor provides smooth lifting of any size shade. Standard wall switch is included. See "Motorization" at right for more info.
- ⑤ **Select Pull Cord Position on Right or Left**  
Cord right is standard if none is specified. On DuoShades, it is recommended that the rear roller shade cord be placed opposite from the front shade cord to prevent cord tangling.
- ⑥ **Select Shipping Method**  
Ground, 2-day and overnight shipping is available. Shipping costs are listed on the Castec shipping price list available from your account manager.



- ⑦ **Select Any Options**  
Privacy Lining: *add surcharge shown on Option chart*  
White or jute colored privacy lining expertly sewn onto the back of the shade. Jute color is standard on all except white materials, although you may specify either. Not available on Roll Up shades.  
  
Blackout Lining: *add surcharge shown on Option chart*  
White blackout lining sewn to the back of the shade blocks almost all light transmission. A few tiny pinhole light spots may be visible due to shade construction. Blackout lining is substantial and shades may be stiffer and heavier to lift. Not available on Roll Up shades.  
  
DuoShade: *add surcharge from Option chart*  
  
Edge Binding: *add surcharge from Option chart*  
1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" wide edge binding is carefully sewn onto the shade edges. See sample book for swatches of available binding fabrics. COM binding is not available. Edge binding is not available on Roll Up shades or the thick patterns noted in the sample book. Custom widths are available for a surcharge (see Option chart).  
  
Non-Standard Headrail Depth: *no charge*  
Standard lift headrail depth is 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" deep, optional lift systems vary - see chart on page 14. Headrail depths of 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>", 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>", 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>", 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>", and 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" are available upon request.



### ROMAN SHADE

Clean-lined, tailored and simple in design. This shade hangs flat when lowered and roman folds neatly in 5" to 9" folds when raised. Draw cords are concealed behind the shade for a clean appearance, but that also makes them more difficult to reach and operate. If the shade will be frequently operated, consider a style with cords in front (next 3 styles) to protect the shade sides from wear caused by pulling the shade forward to reach the cords.

### ROMAN SHADE WITH VALANCE

Clean lined, tailored and simple in design. This shade hangs flat when lowered and roman folds neatly in 5" to 9" folds when raised to partially hide behind the 6" valance flap. Draw cords are easily accessed in front of the shade.

### ROLL UP SHADE

Inspired by antique Japanese Sudare shades from the 19th century, this casual shade style has a Zen simplicity to it. Hangs flat when fully lowered, rolls up neatly to tuck below the 6" valance flap when raised. Great in any interior style. The Roll Up shade conveys a more casual or Asian feel than Roman Shades, depending upon the interior and material chosen. Avoid tall Roll Up shades in thick materials unless large rolls won't cause a problem.

### TOP DOWN SHADE

Designed for those who want privacy and a view at the same time. This unique shade operates in reverse, raising from tidy roman folds on the bottom to close at the top under the 6" valance flap. When fully lowered, small support cords are visible and the shade covers up approximately 7 1/2"-13" of the window bottom depending on shade height.

### DUOSHADE

Roman Shade and continuous chain loop roller shade mounted on the same headrail. Each operate independently. Great for media and bedrooms where both blackout and sheer treatments are desired. The separate operation allows you to showcase beautiful translucent materials most of the time, and then lower the rear roller shade whenever you need full privacy or light control.

### Motorization

Motors include a lead cord for hard wiring and require the service of an electrician.

6 foot lead cord: *no charge (standard)*

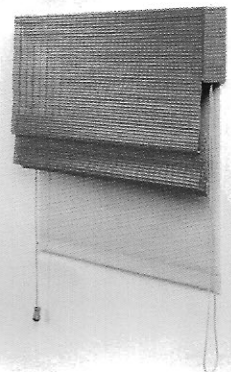
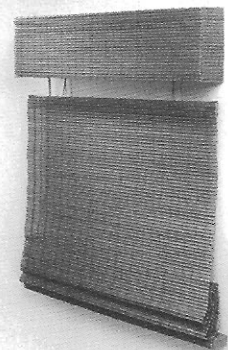
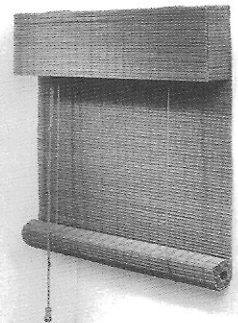
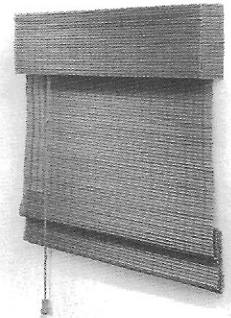
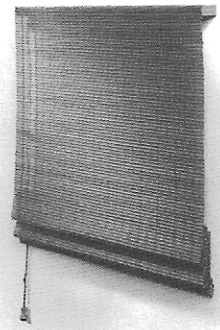
12 foot lead cord: *add \$104*

24 foot lead cord: *add \$160*

A standard wall switch control is included with each motorized shade for no additional charge. A wide selection of specialized remote controlled motors, single and multi-channel remote control systems, group control relays, sun sensors, and timers are available to completely automate Natural Woven Shades. Contact your account manager for specifications and pricing.

### Specialty Shapes

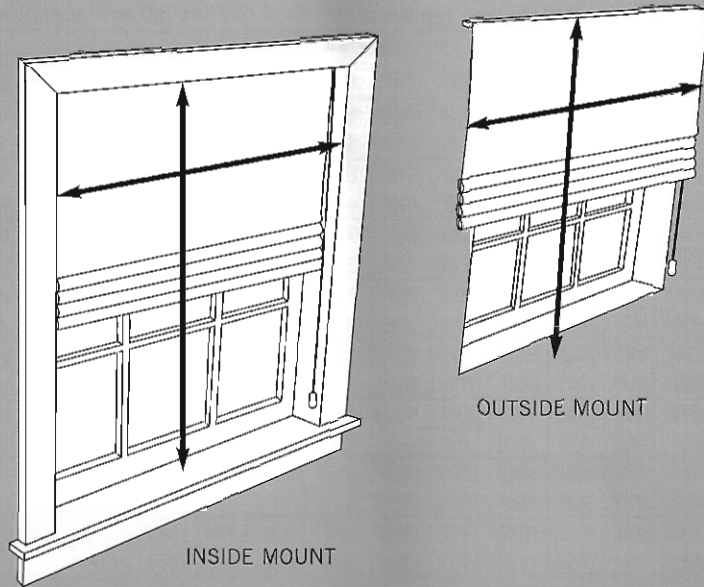
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# Measuring

When measuring, please use a steel measuring tape and clearly indicate width and height to avoid transposing measurements.

Natural Woven Shades are generally sewn to tolerances of approximately 1/8". Although please note that natural weaves may expand and contract depending upon environmental conditions. This may manifest itself in height changes under different heat and moisture combinations.



## 1 SELECT INSIDE OR OUTSIDE MOUNT

You will need approximately 2" minimum unobstructed window depth for an inside mount (check the headrail depth chart for non-standard lift systems). Inside mounts can provide a clean, tailored look. Outside mounts can hide unattractive moulding, or allow you to make a small window appear larger and more grand by increasing the overlap above the window.

An outside mount is recommended if your window is out of square. To determine squareness, simply compare the diagonal window measurements - they should be the same. If more than 1" apart, consider an outside mount to hide the irregularity.

Note: The Roman Shade style without valance is not recommended for inside mounts where the shade will be frequently operated because the cord can be difficult to reach behind the shade.

## 2 MEASURE THE WINDOW

**INSIDE MOUNT:** Measure the opening width at the top, center and bottom, recording the narrowest width. Measure the height left, right and center, recording the longest height. The shade will be made approx. 3/8" narrower than the width specified to allow operating clearance.

**OUTSIDE MOUNT:** Measure the opening width. If there is room, add at least 3" to each side of the window opening to reduce light gaps and maximize privacy. Measure the opening height. Add a minimum of 2 1/2" in height to allow space for mounting brackets above the opening and add your desired overlap for the bottom. Note: for deep headrail shades, add an overlap at the top that is at least equal to the headrail depth - see headrail depth chart to left. Note: the shade will be made to your width, but the valance will be wider (1/2" plus 2X material thickness) to allow operating clearance for valance returns. You can specify the valance width if a specific overall width is desired.

Consider adding more height above the window when you want the shade to stack above the window opening or to make a window appear taller (see chart below left for stacking thickness). No size deductions will be made to your measurements - your shade will be made at the size you specify.

Natural Woven Shade Headrail Depths		
LIFT SYSTEM	WEIGHT	Headrail Depth*
Standard Lift	all	1 1/2"
CCO Lift	light shade	2 1/2"
	heavy shade	3 1/2"
Motorized Lift	light shade	2 1/2"
	heavy shade	3 1/2"
DuoShade	light shade	3 1/2"
	heavy shade	5 1/2"

\*Headrail wood only, add fabric thickness  
 Note: Custom headrail depths available.  
 Contact our sales department at (800) 828-2500.

SHADE STYLE	shade height in inches (up to)					
	36"	60"	84"	108"	132"	156"
Roman Shade styles	7 1/2-10"	8-10"	9-10 1/2"	10-11"	11-12"	12-13"
Roll Up style	2 1/2-4"	3-5 1/4"	3 1/2-6"	4-7"	4 1/2-7 1/2"	5-8 1/4"

Stacking heights are approximate and vary based on fabric thickness

