

# Natural Weaves Woven wood

# Fitting and Operating Instructions

Before attempting to fit your window blind, please read these instructions carefully.

## The installation pack will include sufficient brackets and screws for the fitting of your blinds

#### Free Hang blinds (rectangular)

Woven Wood blinds are available in two finishes - Classic and premier. The classic style can be top, face or side fixed, whereas the Premier is either a top or face fix using a sculptured headrail. It is important to check which style you have selected before proceeding with the installation.

The blind style for both Classic and Premier finishes can be roman or roll up.

#### Classic finish (L shape brackets)

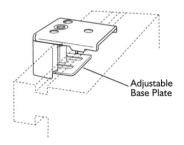


You should have already decided on how the blinds are to be installed, either the top of the window (top fix), to the window frame, face of recess or outside the walls of the window (face fix), or to the sides of the widow recess (side fix). Note the position of the pulleys and locking mechanism of the blind, so that the brackets do not interfere with the operating mechanism of the blind. For blinds with two brackets it is recommended that these be positioned at either side of the blind; if there are more than two brackets, the additional bracket (S) should be equally spaced along the blind.

Once you have determined where the brackets are to be located, fix the brackets into the window at the appropriate positions. Hold the blinds up to the brackets and mark the top of the blind, in line with the top of the threaded rod in each bracket. Drill a 5mm hole through the top of the wooden headrail at each marked point. Try to keep each hole to the middle of the rail. **Be careful not to mark the actual face of the blind with the drill**. Undo the wing nuts and manoeuvre the headrail of the blind into the brackets so that the tightened rods go through the holes. Thread the wing nuts back onto the rods and tighten to secure the blind in place.

#### Premier Finish ('Hidden' Brackets)

Follow the same preparation procedure as the Classic style installation. Before proceeding to fix the 'hidden' brackets into the wall or window frame, using a screwdriver, loosen the holding plate at the base of the bracket sufficiently to accommodate the sculptured headrail while positioning. With the brackets fixed manoeuvre the headrail into position. Once satisfied that it is in the desired position, tighten the holding plate to secure the blind in place.



#### **Operating your Free Hang Blinds**

To lower the blind hold the control cord in a vertical position and pull it downwards slightly to release the cord locking mechanism. Keeping hold of the cord allow the blind to drop or unfur! slowly to the desired position. Pull the cord to the side of the blind to lock the mechanism then release the cord. To raise the blind pull the cord until the blind is at the required level and move the cord to the side to lock it in place.

#### **Skylight Blinds (Rectangular)**

# **Fitting the Brackets**

Fit the brackets to the top and the bottom of the window opening, following the instructions for the Classic Style Free Hang Blinds. The brackets should be fixed level with the positions from which the blind measurements were taken. However there are three specific bracket types for the three fitting positions.

#### **Top Fixing Brackets**

Fix two brackets to the ceiling or lintel using holes drilled at least 25mm (1") from the wall or window frame, and at least 70mm (2 3/4") from each end of the blind. Any remaining brackets should be fixed equidistantly between the first two brackets.



#### **Face Fixing Brackets**

Fix the brackets to the wall or window frame as closely as possible to the ceiling or lintel with the same spacing as recommended for the top fixing brackets.



#### **Side Fixing Brackets**

Fix one bracket to the wall, either side of the blind. If required any top fix brackets should be fixed so that the operating levers are spaced evenly between the end brackets.



#### **Fitting the Rails**

Fix the top rail to the brackets at the top of the window, while supporting the lower rail. Turn this lower rail so that the cords wrapped around it unwind. Maintain sufficient tension to ensure that the cords do not slip off the end of the rail and become entangled. When the cords are fully unwrapped, remove any packaging from the lower rail, fix it to the locating brackets.

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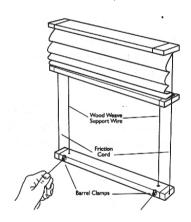
# Tensioning the Woven Wood Wire Supports

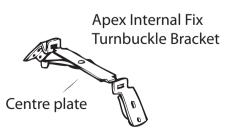
The ends of the woven wood support wire project from the bottom rail of the blind. Each one is fitted with a barrel clamp. After the blind has been fitted into the brackets, tighten each support by undoing the screw on the clamp and pulling the wire until it is taut. Re-tighten the clamp screw taking care not to cut the support wire by over tightening the screw. Push the clamp into the hole in the rail and continue until all the support wires have been tightened.

### **Skylight Blinds (Triangular)**

## **Fitting the Brackets**

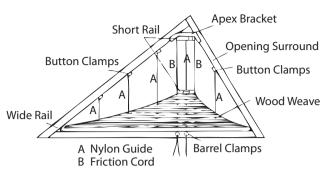
Assemble the apex bracket as illustrated. To fit a blind inside a frame, mount the apex bracket as near as possible to the apex of the frame with the centre plate parallel to the base of the opening. Fix the remaining brackets to the base of the opening. One bracket should be fitted approximately 6" (150mm) from each corner and any remaining brackets fitted equidistantly between these two. To fit a blind outside of an opening the brackets must be fitted at the same levels, but at the appropriate distance from the frame.





#### **Fitting the Blind**

The blind consists of one wide rail to be fixed at the base of the opening; one short rail to be fixed at the top of the opening and a second short rail, which slides between the two fixed rails, drawing the wood weave across the opening. the two fixed rails are connected by two friction cords, spaced approximately 3½" (85mm) apart. They are also connected by a nylon guide which is in between the two friction cords. These friction cords will have been set to a length during manufacture.



However, they may require some adjustment during installation.

Unwind the cords from the wide rail of the blind. Fix this rail to the brackets at the base of the opening. Fix the Short Rail which is <u>not</u> attached to the wood weave to the apex bracket. There may be some difficulty experienced in attaching this short rail to the bracket if the friction cords are too short. At the wide, bottom rail there are two clamps (see illustration). One holds two cords and one holds one nylon support. Loosen the clamp which holds the <u>two</u> cords. Ensure that the short top rail is fitted into the apex bracket and adjust the tension in the two cords, so that the short middle rail moves up and down easily and remains in any position to which it is set.

Tighten the nylon guide which runs between the two tension cords following the instructions for rectangular blinds. Now tighten the remaining nylon guide cords. These are held in place by plastic button clamps which should be fitted to the window frame so that the nylon guides line up with the holes in the woven wood.

#### **Operating your Skylight Blind**

Use the operating wand, which should have been stipulated for the blinds smooth operation to adjust to the desired level for comfort.

#### Woven Wood Blinds - Child Safety

#### **Cord Cleat**

#### For the installer

Cord cleat should be fixed by two screws in a safe position, not accessible to children. Always attach a Safety Warning Tag

#### For the consumer

Always wrap the cord or chains around the cleat after use.

#### MARNING

Young children can strangle in the loop of pull cords, chains and tapes, and cords that operate window coverings. They can also wrap cords around their necks. To avoid strangulation and entanglement, keep cords out of the reach of young children. Move beds, cots and furniture away from window covering cords.

"Complete elimination of the strangulation risk can only be achieved by keeping cords, chains, and tapes and similar out of the reach of children. Use of additional safety devices may reduce the risk of strangulation but cannot be considered foolproof ... Persons in charge of children are ultimately responsible for following the safety instructions provided by the manufacturer."





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