

What You Will Need:

- Goblet pleat tape (STW35), about 2 1/2 times drapery rod width
- Your chosen drapery fabric; if desired, drapery lining
- Matching thread
- Drapery weights (x4, one for each corner of each drapery panel)
- Two-prong curtain hooks (DP20)



- Optional: 3" buckram

If desired, iron the tape at synthetic setting only. Excess heat will damage the tape.

Estimate Fabric Requirement:

1. Calculate the total number of fabric widths needed:
Multiply the drapery rod width by 2.25, divide the answer by the fabric width, round the answer up to the nearest full number.
2. Calculate the drapery panel cut length:
Add 1/2" for folded back at the header, 8" for a double folded bottom hem and 1" shrinkage allowance (Total 9 1/2") to the finished drapery panel length.
Add one pattern repeat if pattern match is required.
3. Total fabric requirement:
Multiply the drapery panel cut length by the number of fabric widths needed. Convert the answer to yardage.

Example:

Rod width is 44"; finished drapery panel length is 72". Fabric width is 54" with 6" pattern repeat.

The total number of fabric widths needed is $44" \times 2.25 \div 54 = 1.8$, round up to 2. Each drapery panel will be made of one width of fabric.

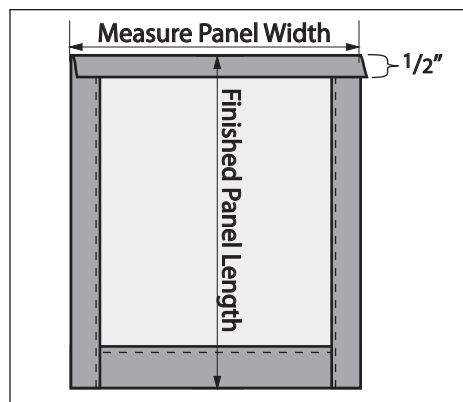
The drapery cut length is $72" + 9 1/2" = 81 1/2"$.

Add the pattern repeat, $81 1/2" + 6" = 87 1/2"$.

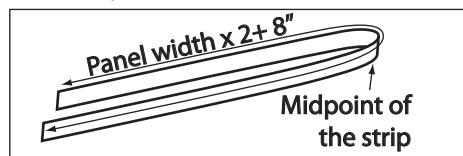
The total fabric requirement is $87 1/2" \times 2 \div 36 = 5$ yards.

Sewing Instructions:

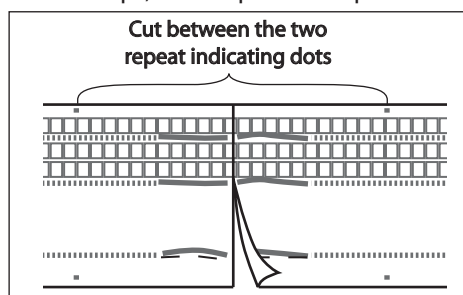
1. Cut and sew the panels, finish side and bottom hems. At the header, fold a 1/2" flap to the back side and press.



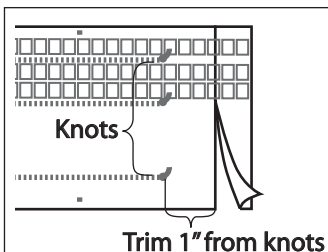
2. Measure panel width. Cut a strip of goblet pleat tape 2 times the panel width, plus 8" extra.



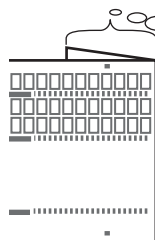
At the midpoint of the strip, find one repeat defined by two sets of woven-in repeat indicating dots. Through the center of that repeat, cut the tape into two strips, one strip for each panel.



3. Remember, the two just cut tape ends will be located at where the two drapery panels meet (at the center of the drapery rod). On both tape strips, next to the just cut end, double knot each loose draw cord. Pull the exposed fourth loose cord out from the back side of the tape, double knot. Make a stitch at each double knot to further secure. Trim the tapes 1" away from the knots.

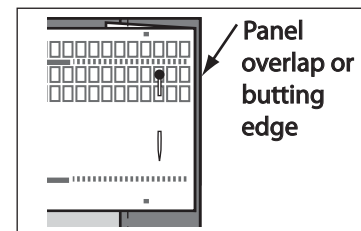


Pull the fourth loose cord out from the back side, double knot.

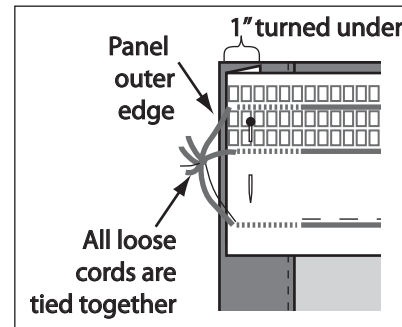


If the drapery rod has an overlap arm, turn the tape 1 3/4" under. This leaves 4" overlap.
If the panels butt together at the center, turn the tape 3 1/4" under. This gives 2 1/2" leading edge.

4. Ensure that the pocket rows on the tape are facing up and towards the top, the turned edge matches the panel overlap (or butting) edge, place the tape across the panel, leaving 1/8" between the top edges of the tape and panel. Pin.



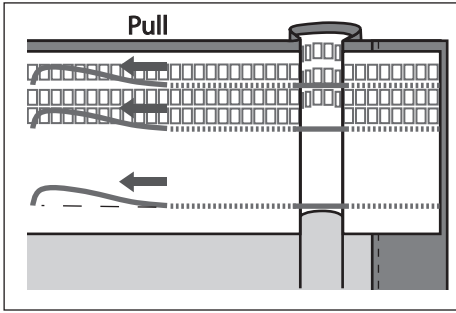
5. At the outer edge of the panel (opposite from the overlap or butting edge), trim the tape to 1" beyond the edge of the panel. Tie all the loose draw cords together for later pleating. If cords are not exposed, find a set of repeat indicating dots closest to the edge, use an opened paper clip to pluck the draw cords out and tie them together. Make sure all 4 draw cords are pulled out. Turn the tape 1" under.



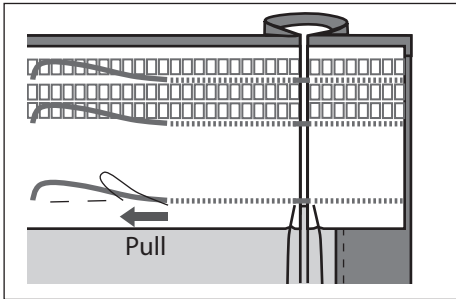
6. Machine stitch the tape to the panel along the green sewing lines. Stitch both edges in the same direction. Be careful not to sew over the draw cords.

Pleating Instructions:

1. Start from the panel butting or overlap edge, find the second section with exposed cords, gently pull the 3 thicker draw cords to form the first goblet.

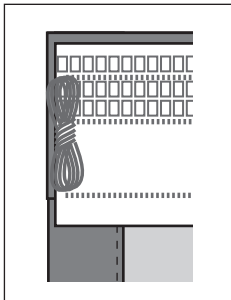


Then pull the bottom thinner cord to pinch pleat the goblet stem.

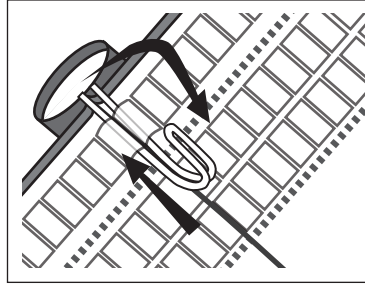


Advance to the third section with exposed cords. Get rid of the cord slack in the second section by gently pulling each cord. Then form the second goblet the same way as the first. Repeat until all the goblets are formed across the whole panel.

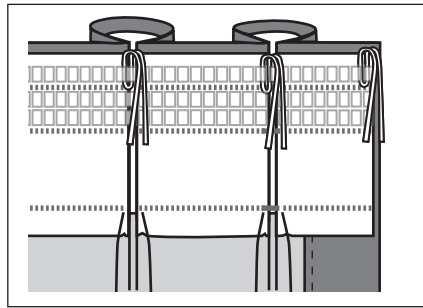
Do not cut off the excess cords. Wind the loose cords to make a neat bundle. Catch the cord bundle with two stitches to the panel.



2. Insert a two-prong curtain hook at the back of each pleat. Insert the two prongs into adjacent two pockets and flip the hook on itself, as shown. The two-prong hooks help to hold the pleats together.



Insert a two-prong curtain hook at the panel overlap edge and the outer edge. If panels butt at the rod center, no hook is need at the butting edge.



3. Hang the panels by inserting both prongs through pole ring eyes or glides.

If desired, insert a strip of rolled up 3" buckram into each goblet to improve the look.