

# How to Fit Vertical Blinds



Top Fix Bracket



Face Fixing Brackets



P Clip



Blind With Chain



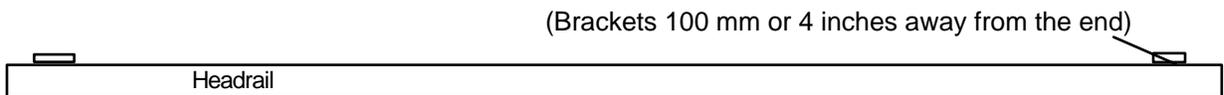
Blind With Wand

## Top Fix Fitting

**Tip** If fitting in the recess ensure that you have enough space to clear any handles, obstacles and the slat have space to turn.

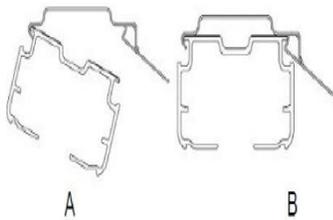
**Tip** Drill a pilot hole to see what you will be drilling into. This will determine the screws and Rawl plugs required

**Tip** Mark holes ensuring that end brackets 100 mm or 4 inches away from either end. Space any other brackets evenly along the ceiling.



## Top Fixing

**NB all brackets should be fitted with the spring end facing the window**



Tilt the head rail so that it locates with the front of the brackets. **See diagram A**

Push the back of the head rail upwards until it clicks into position. **See diagram B**

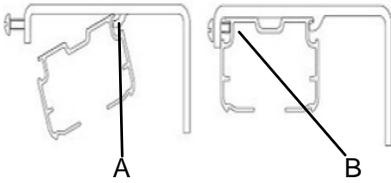
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## Face Fixing

**Tip** Mark holes ensuring that end brackets 100 mm or 4 inches away from either end. Space any other brackets evenly along the ceiling.



**Brackets are fitted using 2 screws to the wall for each bracket.**



Tilt the head rail so that it locates with the ridge at the back of the bracket **(See A)**

Push the front of the head rail up and tighten up the screw. This will secure the head rail **(See B)**

### **Fitting Child Safety P Clip**



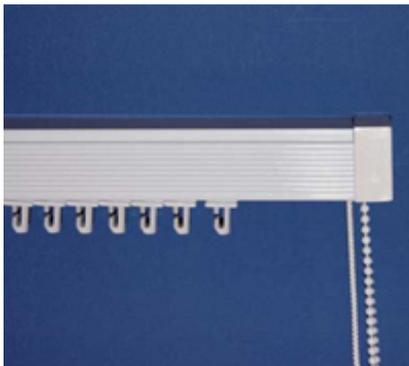
**Secure both cords by pulling them taut to a wall with a screw to comply with child safety regulations.**

### **Wand Fitting**

**Attach the wand to the hook in the head rail.**



### **Fitting The Slats**



Pull the cord or turn the wand so that they all face 90 degrees. and open.

Fit the slats so by hooking onto the carrier hook. Ensure that you are able to see the outside window. while fitting.

Hang all the slats keeping all the seams the same way.

Additional help and problems that may occur during installation are found below:-

NB DO NOT TRANSVERSE BLINDS WITH SLATS IN THE CLOSED POSITION

ALWAYS TURN THEM 90 DEGREES TO THE TRACK BEFORE OPERATING CORD CONTROL

## Problems that may be encountered during fitting Vertical Blinds

### Problem 1

**I have fitted the headrail and slats and the slats won't turn.**

Answer

**1. Take all the off slats from the head rails**

**2. Turn the control chain at side for the carriers to a 90 degree angle** and put the drapes back on so you can see through the slats to the outside window. **Please put the back chain on first nearest the window ensure that the chain at the bottom will operate correctly.**

When all the slats are on, the slats should rotate.

### Problem 2

**I have cut the chain in the wrong place and now some of them won't turn.**

Answer

**You will need to order some more chain. Please take care to ensure that all slats have the chain fitted in the correct position by rotating the slats and then rotating them back to the 90 degree angle before cutting the chain.**

### Problem 3

We obtain our blinds from different manufactures. The slats may come already chained up and there may be a spare slat added. Check that the number of trucks on the head rail and slats cover the window area. Please only cut your chain once all the slats are in position and then you can cut the end chain.

For other manufactures, you will need to add the weights and chain at the bottom. Again, please cut the chain when everything is in place.

### Problem 4

The slats do not cover the whole of window.

Answer

Check that the travellers in the head rail are evenly spaced out across the width of the head rail.

If this does not solve the problem, you may have measured incorrectly.

If you have measured correctly, the amount of travellers on the head rail maybe faulty.

or calculated incorrectly when the blinds were made up at the factory.

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See below for fitting Eclispe Vertical Blinds

# Fitting Eclipse Vertical Blinds

**Important:** brackets should be fixed a sufficient distance from the window to allow the vanes to clear window handles or other obstructions.

## Brackets

Identify type of bracket supplied.

### Snap In Top Fix (A):

For fixing to a horizontal surface.

### Rigid Top Fix (B):

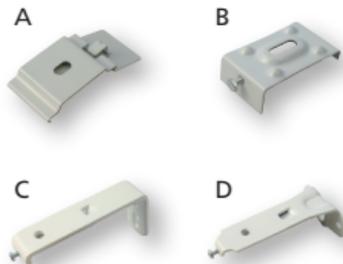
For fixing to a horizontal surface.

### Face Fix (C):

For fixing to a vertical surface.

### Shallow Face Fix (D):

For fixing to a vertical surface.



An appropriate number of brackets are supplied for width.

**Brackets should be positioned 100mm (4") from each end of the head rail.** Additional brackets are supplied for blinds wider than 1400mm (55") and should be screw fixed evenly across the width of the blind. **Maximum spacing between brackets should be 1200mm (47").**

Determine head rail position as shown in diagram opposite, ensuring that when the blind is fitted window handles will not obstruct it.

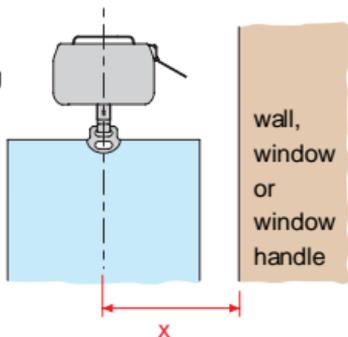
Position brackets and screw fit.

### Fixing into wood:

No 8 x 19mm ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ") flange head screws are recommended.

### Concrete, brick, plaster, etc.

Use Masonry plugs and screws of an appropriate length, e.g No 8 x 32mm ( $1\frac{1}{4}$ ") flange head screws to obtain a secure fixing.

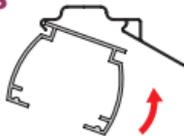


x = 75mm (3"), 127mm (5") vanes  
x = 57mm (2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "), 89mm (3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") vanes

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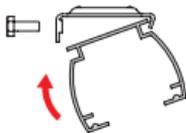
### Snap In Top Fix (A):

Slot the front lip of the head rail over the leading edge of the bracket and snap upwards securely into position.



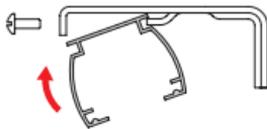
### Rigid Top Fix (B):

Slot the front lip of the head rail over the locating tang of the bracket, push upwards and tighten screw to secure (be careful not to over tighten).



### Face Fix (C) & Shallow Face Fix (D):

Slot the back lip of the head rail over the locating tang of the bracket, push upwards and tighten screw to secure (be careful not to over tighten).



## Attaching the Vanes

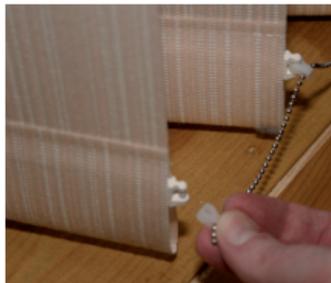
With the control in the open position, slip the hanger up and into the traveller hook as shown. Use the 1st or 2nd position as desired.

### Stabilising Chain

Present each clip to the weight post at a 45 degree angle as shown and push securely onto the post.

Note: if installing blinds with a split draw, cut chain at the centre parting point.

Check that all slats have chain and there are no gaps before the cutting.



## Cords Safety



Attach the P clip to the wall or adjacent surface  
1.5 meters from the floor.

## Operating The Blind



Use pull cord/ wand to open and close your blind. Use the operating chain/wand to rotate the vanes. Only traverse the vanes with the blind in the open position.

Always use the cord P clips to remove the possibility of loose hanging loops or use a wand.



## Caring for your Blind

### Head rail

The head rail mechanism is self-lubricating. Occasionally spraying with silicone based fluid .

### The Vanes or Slats

Fabrics are specially coated to ensure that the vanes will hang straight, repel dust and not fray. The coating may react to hot water, strong detergents and bleaching agents.

To care for the vanes, vacuum occasionally in the same way as you would with curtains or upholstery. Dirty marks may be removed by wiping with a lightly moistened cloth, using mild detergent/warm water mix.

Alternatively, get the blinds ultrasonically cleaned locally.