

# **SHERIDAN**

**BLINDS & AWNINGS**

A photograph of a sunlit forest with tall trees and sunlight rays filtering through the canopy. The scene is peaceful and natural, with green foliage and a bright light source in the center background.

## **Top 7 Mistakes to Avoid When Purchasing Blinds**

# #7

## **Not Being Consistent**

It is important to ensure consistency on the inside and the outside of your home. This is not to say you cannot use different colours in different rooms, however, you should choose a blind or curtain that is aesthetically pleasing from the outside as well. This can be achieved with coloured blinds with a white or silver backing, so all blinds look the same from the street view. Many apartments and body corporates insist on this.

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## **Poor Installation**

Poor installation is often a result of incorrect measurement. Not only will your window coverings look bad, but if blinds, shutters, curtains or awnings have not been installed correctly, there is a possibility of creating a physical hazard and damage to your walls or window frames. This will also affect the function and operation.

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## Incorrect Measurements

Correct measurement is absolutely imperative for the aesthetics, function and operation of the blind. This is something that cannot be achieved by off the shelf fixed sized blinds, as every window is different.

# #4

## Wrong Type of Blind

Many people have their minds set on a particular type of blinds, curtains or shutters. Sometimes you have to choose function first, and then work out the style that suits you. How often are you in and out of your sliding door? Do you need total darkness in your bedroom? Do you like to see outside? Is there a lot of heat coming in a particular side of the house? All these questions need to be considered.

You can have privacy and protection from the sun without a dark house.



# #3

## Doesn't Match Your Home

It is important to choose a colour and style that fits your interior. One of the biggest mistakes we see when people buy blinds is that they choose a colour and design which, once assembled, fails to match the rest of the interior. This can completely ruin the look of a whole room. We strongly recommend choosing a company that offers free home visits and consultations from a professional, that can help recommend the perfect blinds or curtains to personally suit your home.

# #2

## Purchasing on Price Alone

The saying is Buy Cheap, Buy Twice!

It may seem enticing to head out to the big box store and pick up a few ready made blinds that can be cut down with a hack saw to fit your window. This may be an option in some instances, but if you can afford a bit more of an investment, your window coverings can last you many years. You may even be surprised, depending on what you are comparing, that a professional supplier and installer can be extremely comparable in price. Combine that with their knowledge, professional measurements and a warranty, it is worth the comparison.

**#1**

## **Not Made in Australia**

We believe it is important to know where your blinds are coming from, and we choose to use Australian Made products. Like many industries the blind industry has been hit by cheap imports from Asia. There is minimal testing for lead or formaldehyde in these fabrics before they are imported. It concerns us that there may be all types of nasties seeping into your room on a hot day. It is always best to buy from a reputable dealer, preferably one that has mainly Australian made products, and can give you Australian Standards and specifications.

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Thank you for your interest and we would love to hear from you.

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