

LINED DRAPES FOR A GMC MOTORHOME
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MATERIALS

24 yards 48" wide drapery material plus 6 yards for center cross drape if desired. Some patterns have to be matched and may require more material.

17 yards 48" wide lining material plus 6 yards for center cross drape.

27 yards 2" buckram or stiffening or 14 yards 4" split to 2" width.

19 yards 1/2" nylon elastic for lower pleat carriers.

20 yards 1/2" twill tape for upper pleat carriers on 1975-1978 motorhomes. Use existing plastic tabs for 1973 & 1974 models. Use existing plastic tabs for privacy & windshield curtains for all 1973-1978 models.

Rollers and tabs are available from:

Geneva Dye 904-789-2057

941 Vicksburg Street

Deltona, Florida 32726

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Determine finished length of drapes and cut panels 5" longer. Cut lining 3" shorter than cut drapery length. Always trim selvages and pull a thread in the material to have a straight edge.

Dinette & opposite window: 1-1/2 panels each side, making 3 panels to a window. Cut drapes 42" long and lining 33" long making a finished drape 37" long.

Galley window: 1/2 panel each side. Cut drape 41" long and lining 32" long making a finished drape 36" long.

Door window: 1/2 panel each side. Cut drape 40" long and lining 31" long making a finished drape 35" long.

Windshield: 2 panels each side. Cut drape 35" long and lining 26" long making a finished drape 30" long and lining 26" long making a finished drape 30" long. Pleat 1/2" deep every 6" in top only, (Every other pleat turned in opposite direction so it folds like an accordion.). Sew glide tabs from old drapes between pleats.

Rear Window: 2 panels each side. Cut drape 42" long and lining 33" long making a finished drape 37" long.

Rear side windows: 1 panel each side, making 2 panels to a window. Cut drape 42" long and lining 33" long making a finished drape 37" long.

Center Cross Drape: 1-1/2 panels each side. Cut drapes 61" long and lining 52" long making a finished drape 56" long. Pleat 1/2" every 6" in top of drape only. Sew glide tabs from old drapes between pleats.

CONSTRUCTION:

With right sides of drapery and lining together sew top and bottom seams using 1/2" seam. Turn drape to right side and press 2-1/2" hem in top and bottom. Put Buckram inside folds and pin into place. (This will be sewed when the pleats are made.) Sew lining to drape at sides; turn under 1/4" and press. Then turn under 1-1/4" hem on each side. Press and stitch. This gives ample space for dowels in center hem. (Velcro may be used to hold drapes closed, if desired .) Starting about 2-1/2" from side of drape make folds in top and bottom every 6" for or' pleats. For 1975-1978 models insert folded 4-1/2" strips of twill tape on an angle in each top pleat to form a carrier for the rod. For 1973 & 1974 models sew guide tabs from old drapes between pleats. Insert folded 4" strips of elastic in each bottom pleat. Sew 3/4" from fold to form pleat. Pleat both top and bottom making certain pleats match.

INSTALLING TIP

Most of the upper rod hacket can be exposed by cutting a hole in rear of cabinet in the area of the bracket. Then by direct vision you can snap the rod into the brackets with a large screwdriver in the end of the rod. A two inch hole saw makes a neat hole and it is only visible when the cabinet is unloaded

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