

Window furnishings Pro's and Con's Report

Category	Product	Description	Pro's	Con's	Price Range \$ - \$\$\$
Roller Blinds 	Sunscreen roller Blinds	Sunscreens are a Poly type fabric that is woven allowing light gaps to form. This allows the user to see through the blind	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can see out, they can't see in. Good for reducing Glare without losing your view Good Price point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At night They can see in and YOU can't see out Can clang against the window frame if the window is open Large light gaps at each side are unavoidable 	\$ - \$\$
	Translucent roller blinds	Translucent allows Light to pass through but not View.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great for Bath rooms and Toilets. Maintains privacy while keeping the room bright Good Price point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No good for bed rooms if darkness is a priority Must be up to get a view out Must be up to allow for a breeze Can clang against the window frame if the window is open Large light gaps at each side are unavoidable 	\$ - \$\$
	Block out Roller Blinds	Block out will prevent light and view to pass through the fabric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great for Bed rooms Great privacy Good Price point Good Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No good if the space requires light and privacy at the same time Must be up to get a view out Must be up to allow for a breeze Can clang against the window frame if the window is open Large light gaps at each side are unavoidable 	\$ - \$\$

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Roman Blinds 	Roman Blinds	A fuller and softer look to a roller blind. The fabric gathers up to open and ungathers to close	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good light blockage • Minimal light leakage from side gaps • Smooth operation • Good Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can look old fashioned when in the wrong décor • Damage VERY Easily • Pain to repair • When fully retracted the fabric still hangs down and obstructs view and passage (if on a door) 	\$ - \$\$
Venetian Blinds 	PVC Venetian Blinds	An affordable option to shutters. PVC looks like painted timber, there are even some wood effect patterns are also available.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can see out and get airflow while still having privacy • Can span large lengths some up to 2700mm • Great privacy • Cheap option the Shutters • Good Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hard to clean • Can Clang in wind if not secured • Brackets and some internal clips can rust • Hard to get repaired • Slats can sag and look droopy 	\$
	Cedar Venetian Blinds	Most expensive of the Venetians. Western Red Cedar (WRC) timber is far more stable than any alternatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stable slats resist sagging • Can see out and get airflow while still having privacy • Can span large lengths some up to 2700mm • Great privacy • Cheap option the Shutters • Good Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most suppliers stopped making them • Hard to clean • Can Clang in wind if not secured • Brackets and some internal clips can rust • Hard to get repaired • Far more expensive than PVC 	\$ - \$\$

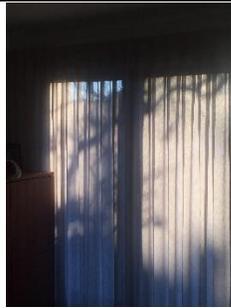
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	Metal Slimline Blinds	Thin aluminium fins supported by chorded ladders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheapest venetian available • Excellent for fixing directly to hinging doors like laundry doors • HUGE colour options • Good Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slats can bend and crease, unfixable unless replaced • Can vibrate, rattle and hum, in the wind • Hard to clean • Break fairly easily 	\$
	Vertical Blinds	Long strips of stiff fabric that can side from side to side, and rotate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very effective for privacy • Work well on sliding doors • Can fit in some angled windows (as long as the top is horizontal) • Huge colour ranges • ok Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not pretty • Bottom chain breaks...easily • Flap in breeze • Shows the dust that collects 	\$
	Panel Glide Blinds	Sliding track at the top with straight panels of fabric hanging below. They slide like the old sliding shower screens did.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective on sliding doors. • Relatively compact • Good Insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expensive for what they are • Fabric can snag on each other or the door easily 	\$-\$\$

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	Sheers	See through fabric designed to soften the room, and allow you to see out, but they can't see in.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Huge visual impact • Almost endless choice of fabrics • Can give the illusion of the space being bigger • Big bang for your Buck • Can be very affordable (depending on fabric choice) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will need to be drawn open to allow airflow. • Can get expensive (depending on fabric choice) • Might require washing annually • Can lose privacy at night (depending on fabric choice) 	\$ - \$\$\$
	Solids	Block out curtains or "Solids" are used to block out the light.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great for styling a room • Great range of fabrics • Most effective product for blocking out light • Bang for your Buck • Can be very affordable (depending on fabric choice) • Great heat insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will need to be drawn open to allow airflow. • Can get expensive (depending on fabric choice) • Might require washing annually 	\$ - \$\$\$
	Double Combos	Combination of a sheer and a solid.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looks great • Versatile for light control and privacy • Easy to use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will need to be drawn open to allow airflow. • Can get expensive (depending on fabric choices) • Might require washing annually 	\$ - \$\$\$

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Indoor Shutters 	PVC	Plastic Shutters designed to be a cost effective solution to Cedar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheaper than Timber • Great heat insulation • Great for doors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum width allowed is 600mm • Slats are floppy and can sag in heat • Panels sag unless they are very narrow • Should be way cheaper than they are. 	\$\$ - \$\$\$
	Vinyl Wrapped Timber Shutters	MDF wrapped in a Vinyl to look like paint.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheap • Look good new • Great insulation of heat • Great for doors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mdf will swell if it gets wet. • Vinyl can lift and peel • Heavy • Require a very good installer or they will sag under own weight 	\$\$ - \$\$\$
	Basswood Shutters	Light weight hardwood timber shutter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look good as a stained timber finish • Great insulation of heat • Cheaper than WRC shutters • Great for doors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susceptible to bowing and twisting • Can only buy them as an imported product these days • Demand has made them more expensive than they should be 	\$\$ - \$\$\$
	WRC (Cedar) Shutters	Canadian Western Red Cedar timber shutters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best quality of the timber shutters • Great insulation of heat • Can still buy Aust. Made • Very stable timber • Light weight • Most versatile way to dress doors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handmade high cost • Expensive • Timber is soft can dent easily • Less suppliers are manufacturing these days 	\$\$\$

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Outdoor					
	PVC Shutters	Plastic Shutters designed to be a cost effective solution to Cedar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cheaper than Timber or Aluminium Great heat insulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most supplier will void warranty if used outside Maximum width allowed is 600mm Slats are floppy and can sag in heat Panels sag unless they are very narrow 	\$\$-\$\$\$
	Aluminium Shutters	Made to look like the Timber shutters, these are made using Aluminium.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Great heat insulation Can handle high winds Have privacy while you can still see out Great for airflow control Great around BBQ's Can be lockable to resist break ins Cyclone rated (optional extra) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expensive 	\$\$\$
Awnings 	Awnings	Fabric style product that works like a roller blind.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are great motorized Mesh awnings let you see out Good heat insulation Cut glare Way cheaper than Shutters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to be rolled up in high winds Need to be rolled up in storms 	\$\$ - \$\$\$

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