



idea book

Natural Woven Shades

[Hand-crafted reed, grass, and bamboo shades]

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»uniquely yours

We shopped the world over to find the very best sources and weavers of natural fabrics, so that we could put together a unique, high quality offering not to be found anywhere else. Our designs are exclusive to Castec, and we hope you will find them as exciting as we do.

This little Idea Book is designed to give you a few ideas about the many ways these fabrics can be used, and to help you offer your customers something special... *something they can't get anywhere else.*

Natural Woven Shades can be used in any setting—from casual to formal. As you can see to the left, a simple Natural Woven fabric beautifully sets off the elegant and very formal drapery treatment that surrounds it while creating a soft filtered light to enhance the general ambience.

You will find a number of good ideas in this booklet... and then of course, there is your imagination; that, combined with the wide range of colors and textures in this new collection should provide an exciting and unique solution to any design challenge you may confront.

All our Natural Woven Shades and Drapery Panels are American-made by skilled, highly experienced craftsmen here at our plant in North Hollywood, California.



Natural Woven Shade is completely raised up.
Privacy Shade is partly raised up.



Natural Woven Shade is partly raised up.
Privacy Shade is fully lowered.



Both Natural Woven Shade and Privacy Shade are fully lowered.



Natural Woven Shade is fully lowered.
Privacy Shade is completely raised.

»duoshades

The Duoshade is a highly versatile solution to a lot of problems. Two shades are mounted on the same headrail... a Natural Woven Shade in front and a translucent privacy shade or a room darkening shade in the rear. With this combination, you can have whatever you might need in the way of light, privacy, darkness, semi-darkness, and design.

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»top down-bottom up shades

Castec's Top Down-Bottom Up shade is a unique solution to certain special situations. Exposed bathtubs often pose the problem of how to have privacy and still be able to see out. In those situations, the answer is visual access through the top of a shade rather than the bottom.

With Castec's Top Down-Bottom Up shade, you can simply lower the top of the shade and leave the bottom closed for privacy. Or, when you don't need privacy, you can simply raise the shade from the bottom as you would a standard shade. This shade gives you complete control over privacy—wherever you need it—and light control, while giving you all the style and design elegance of a beautiful Natural Woven Fabric.

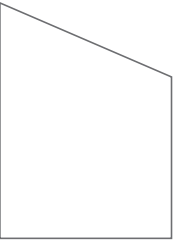




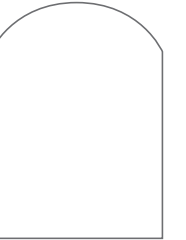
»special shades and shapes

You don't have to worry about those windows with odd shapes and sizes anymore. We've got them all covered... arch tops, slant tops, curved shapes, pyramid shapes, even bow windows... we can cover them all with high quality, hand-made craftsmanship.

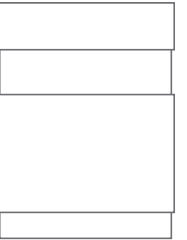
Regardless of your problem, we have a solution!



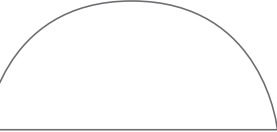
Slant-Top Window
(Face View)



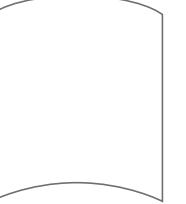
Curved Top Window
(Face View)



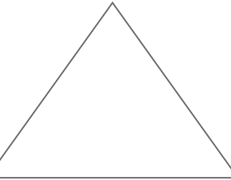
Top Down-Bottom Up Window
(Face View)



Arch Shape Window
(Face View)



Bow Window
(Concave Face View)



Pyramid Window
(Face View)



»grommet-top natural woven drapery panels

Our new, exciting offering of Natural Woven Panels is a beautiful and unique solution to situations in which shades won't work as well as panels. Shades over outside doors are inconvenient because they have to be raised all the way up in order to open the door. In such a situation, a Natural Woven Panel is a perfect solution. Just push it aside when you want to use the door.

Outside kitchen and family room doors also pose design problems. Castec's brand new offering of Natural Woven Drapery is an exciting, practical way to deal with this problem. They can enhance the look of a door that requires a functional covering by adding some design excitement at the same time.

The Grommet-Top Natural Woven Panels also work extremely well as stationary side panels in those situations where you want to add some design beauty, but do so with a different and surprising solution. See page 16 and the pictures on this page for details on available decorative hardware.

»ripplefold natural woven drapery panels

Another exciting solution to covering an outside door. Functional, beautiful, practical, and available in a wide range of fabrics... enough variety in fabrics and binding choices to handle any design requirement. The Ripplefold Natural Woven Drapery Panel can even be motorized!

Ripplefold Natural Woven Panels are especially useful when you have a wider door because they can span whatever width you need.

Natural Woven Panels are the solution when you are dealing with a door. Doors generally do not lend themselves to using shades for coverings because they have to be fully raised before the door can be used, whereas a drapery panel can simply be moved aside.

Any of the decorative rods pictured on this page can be used for manual or motorized operation. See page 16 for more details on the available hardware for Ripplefold Natural Woven Panels.





»stand-alone beauty

Soft, filtered light effects, unique design... beauty all by itself. You can do many things with a Natural Woven Shade... but you don't have to do anything... you can have an exciting, special window covering just by picking one of our uniquely designed fabrics, and letting us take care of the rest.

»or... for added drama and privacy

You can add one of our high-quality Roman shades to your Natural Woven Shades if you need privacy, or if you want to add an additional design element, or if you want to do both. Almost any fabric you might want to use in a Roman shade will work with the simplicity of a Natural Woven Fabric.

You can select from hundreds of Castec fabrics for your Roman shade, or send us your own. And, if you happen to have an unusual shape to your window, as shown to the right, we will make it work even better for you.



» hardware options

» grommet-top natural woven drapery panels

Grommets are available in three colors ~ oiled bronze, pewter and black.
Rods and finials are available in antique bronze, soft pewter and black.

Grommet Colors:



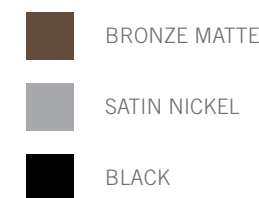
Grommet Finial and Rod Colors:



» ripplefold natural woven drapery panels

Ripplefold finials and rods are available in bronze matte, satin nickel and black.
We also have a white ceiling track.

Ripplefold Finial and Rod Colors:



» design versatility

The Natural Woven Shade fabric in the picture to the left (MONTEGO :: Bone 3121) adds a simple, contrasting background to offset the contemporary print in the drapery... another example of the wide range of settings in which Natural Woven Shades can be used with dramatic effect. (If you don't already have a great workroom, we will be happy to make your drapery with the same care and attention we give to our Natural Woven Shades and Roman shades. We can provide you with fabric or you can send us your own—whatever works for you.)

»fabrics with repeating patterns

A few of our Natural Woven Fabrics have repeating patterns. The pictures on these two pages will make it easier for you and your customers to get a good idea of how they will look in your shade.



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