

THE FINAL FINISHES

BY AUDREY CONRAD | When you choose curtains for your windows, you're choosing a statement for your room. After all, curtains are an obvious and bold addition and they need to not only fit in with the feel and style of your room, they can take a starring role in your design. Curtains dress your windows in much the same way that you dress yourself with a personal style and image that is uniquely yours.

So you can think about curtain hardware the same way you might think about how jewelry adds the finishing touches to a favorite outfit. A bit of flair, and touch of sophistication, or an accent that completes your look. With thousands of design choices in a wide variety of finishes, there's no limit to how creative you can be with your curtains. Whether you want your hardware to stand out, or create a subtle addition, they still need to match, and fit in with the existing style of your room.

The type of curtains you pick will decide on how they hang from the rod and what your heading will be. Rings are a simple and classic approach that can adapt to many styles. Rings come in any number of designs and finishes. Large wooden rings have a classic look while modern funky designs adapt to modern or eclectic designs. Other styles, like grommet or tab top curtains will simply hang directly from the rod.

Curtain rods today now also come in a variety of materials and styles too. Metal rods tend to lend themselves to modern room designs, but with the array of finishes available today, you can really experiment to find your own look. By matching the finish of your curtain rod to something in the room, you can really complete



your overall style. Pewter or brushed nickel might match the hardware on the kitchen or wood finials relate to the pieces of furniture in the overall room.

We believe you can give your curtains a truly unique custom look with finials. You can find finials already attached to rods or you can add them to create your own unique look in the space. Today we now can find hundreds of design options from companies like Alendel that offer intricate twisting wrought iron, to chunky geometric designs in wood or metals, and glass. Using hardware to compliment your room style is easy and we often include and advise our clients to be creative with the finishes and styles of hardware and create a room that is uniquely yours.



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