

# Zip Patio Blinds

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## Why should I choose Zip?

Zip blinds have set the standard for patio blinds the whole world over. Most people have seen a blind with zips on each side, whether it be a top quality custom made blind like ours or a cheapie from Trade Me. The biggest advantage of a Zip blind is its weather tightness, they are sealed well on all 4 sides and give excellent wind and rain protection. They are also very simple to retract: all you need to do is undo the zip on each side and roll it up. Zip blinds are the most cost-effective system we offer, but are still made from the high quality fabrics as our other blind systems. So, if you are after the best weather seal whilst retaining decent usability and working to a budget, these are the blinds for you.

**Maximum height:** 3m

**Maximum width:** 3.5m (largely dependent on how windy your outdoor area is, we will provide advice on this when you talk to one of our team)

**Material:** Like all of our Patio Blind systems, they are available in Clear PVC or Outdoor 3000 mesh. Please pick up a factsheet about these fabrics for more information (and PTO for pictures).

**Border:** 150mm border of tough European PVC around all sides of the blind (PTO for pictures). Clear PVC is a membrane (not a fabric), so a PVC border is needed to provide strength. We use Outdoor 6000 PVC, available in 16 colours. To see colours and details please visit our website: <https://straitline.co.nz/fabrics/outdoor-6000-pvc>. Zip patio blinds are not available without a border.

**Where do they mount:** Zip blinds mount to your outdoor area on the top and sides of each gap. Each edge will overlap your top beam or side posts by about 40mm. They require continuous mounting, which is achieved with a strip of aluminium inside a hem (for face mounting) or rope track (for perpendicular mounting). There is a steel bar running along the entire length of the bottom of the blind, which prevents the blind from overextending during heavy winds.

**Lifespan:** Approximately 8-10 years. Like all things in life, this will largely depend on how you use them, how often you use them, how you look after them etc.

**Wind rating:** Zip patio blinds do not have a wind rating. What each blind can withstand really depends on their size and their location. As a rule if the winds are getting up to and beyond 80kph it's a good idea to roll up your Zip blinds. If you regularly get winds over 80kph then please check out our Tension Blinds.

**Warranty:** We do not have a formal warranty set up for our products, however if something goes wrong because of a faulty component or if we got something wrong in the manufacture/install process then we will sort it out for you!! There is no need to worry, we do not leave any of our customers hanging.

**Can you DIY Zip Blind installation?** Yes. We will give you installation instructions and the process is relatively simple for anyone with a bit of DIY experience.



**Clear PVC Zip Blind**



**Outdoor 3000 Mesh Zip Blind**