CUSHION GUIDE

At Suniture®, our experienced sewing department can create cushions of any shape and size. While we have standard cushions and pillows for you to choose from, we also specialize in replacements and custom cushions. Any cushion that is not a square or a rectangle is considered a custom cushion. All custom cushions require a template—a paper or cloth pattern cut to the shape of the cushion you need. Thick butcher paper or brown wrapping paper seems to work best for creating a reliable template. They must be made and cut out to the exact shape of the cushion(s) needed.

Make sure to include your name on each template, along with any special needs such as exact tie placement locations. Paper templates can easily be rolled or folded and mailed easily and inexpensively.

As an alternative to creating a paper template, you can send us the cover of one of your existing cushions for us to use as a pattern.

For cushions, we need the following information:

- Size (Length, Width, Thickness)
- Sunbrella® Fabric Number
- Edging
- Ties needed
MAKING A PATTERN FROM YOUR EXISTING CUSHION

1. Lay a sheet of paper on the floor and place your cushion on the top of the paper.
2. Draw around the cushion and cut out the shape.
3. Test that your pattern fits as well as possible.

Sometimes, over the years well worn cushions become misshapen. To restore to the original shape the pattern will have to be symmetrical, (left side same as right). To equally balance your pattern, simply fold down the middle, cutting where necessary. It may take a couple of attempts before you are satisfied with your drawing or your pattern. Your new cushion will be cut to exactly the same shape as your finished pattern so please double check your pattern on your furniture.

MAKING A PATTERN FROM YOUR FURNITURE (without an old cushion)

1. Lay a sheet of paper on the chair seat and press the paper flat all along the bottom of the seat. Make sure to press the paper down firmly along the outside edges of the seat.
2. Draw around the outside edges of the seat where you would like the edge of the cushion to be and cut out the shape. Keep in mind, we will make the cushion to the exact shape and size of the template that you cut out and provide us.
3. After you have cut out the pattern, test that your pattern fits as well as possible. If you need to reshape an area or extend your pattern, just make sure you securely tape the paper together. We only need one pattern for each shape of cushion that you need.
4. To equally balance your pattern, simply fold down the middle, cutting where necessary. It may take a couple of attempts before you are satisfied with your drawing or your pattern. Again, your new cushion will be cut to exactly the same shape as your finished pattern so please double check your pattern on your furniture.
5. Please mark your pattern with your name, invoice number and details of cushions required: thickness, quantity and fabric choice.
CUSHION TYPES

- CHAIR CUSHION
- BENCH CUSHIONS COVERS ALL WIDE SEATING
- WINDOW SEAT
- ROCKING CHAIR
- DEEP SEATING
- CHAISE LOUNGER SEAT & BACK CONNECTED
- STEAMER SEAT & BACK CONNECTED
- WICKER CUSHIONS

PILLOWS & ACCESSORIES

- THROW PILLOWS
- BOLSTER PILLOWS
- BODY PILLOWS
- PET BEDS
- TABLECLOTHS
- PLACEMATS & NAPKINS
EDGING & OTHER DETAILS

With edging comes the option for cording. Cording is a band of fabric that runs around the edge of your cushion (typically following a seam) and does not have to be of the same fabric as the cushion. Single cording is available on knife edging and double piping is available only on box edging.

KNIFE EDGE (A)
Fabric is wrapped around the edges and sewn together

BOX EDGE (B) shown with optional double cording
Strip of fabric is used to create a side wall

CHAIR TYPES

INDIVIDUAL SEAT AND BACK UNITS
These are ideal for people who only need one or the other cushion. Some people simply like the option of allowing their guests of forgoing one or the other cushion. If you are going to be purchasing separate seat and back chair cushions please remember to subtract the thickness of the bottom cushion from the length of the back cushion.

CONNECTED SEAT AND BACK
This option is less expensive than purchasing the seat and back separately. Measure from the end of one cushion to the other. Then repeat for the width (orange). Please note that some chairs take a trapezoidal shape where the front edge of the chair is wider than the back.

CHAISE LOUNGERS
Measure width (in orange) as the inside of the frame between the arms from left to right. Measure height (in blue) from the rear of the seat to the top. Measure depth (in red) from the front of the seat to the rear.

WICKER, RATTAN, SETTEE (OVERSTUFFED)
Measure width (in orange) as the inside of the frame between the arms from left to right. Measure height (in blue) from the rear of the seat to the top.

Note: Some seats are wider at the front than the rear so measure width at both points.