



How to Install Shade Cloth Fabric

Installing Shade Cloth Fabric over a pergola or arbor like a pro.

What you need:

- Rolled Shade Cloth to cover area plus about 25% more
- Hammer
- Tape Measure
- Safety Goggles
- Box Cutters (or a sharp knife or other sharp cutting instrument)
- 1" Staples (or a heavy duty staple gun with 3/4" staples or larger)



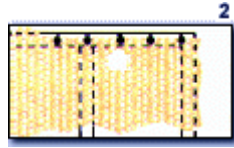
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You start with a Pergola, Arbor or some type of structure you wish to cover with the shade cloth.

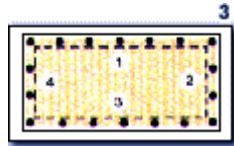


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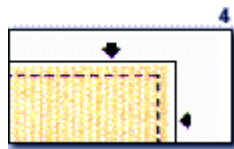
Roll out your shade cloth across your structure and loosely pull it into position. Leave at least 8-12 inches of overhang on all sides.



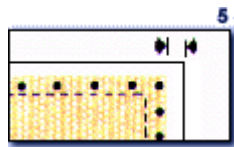
Attach shade cloth to one of the longest sides first (edge closest to your house) Start at one end and pull with medium pressure (enough to get the wrinkles out and just a bit more) as you move along the edge. Attach about every 12".



Now finish attaching the outside edges continuing in a clockwise or counter-clockwise direction (depending on how you started above)



Make sure that the knitted knot lines in the fabric are straight



When attaching the shade cloth along an edge of the structure where you'll be cutting the fabric, be sure to move the attachment point in from the outside edge, beam or post so you leave room to cut the fabric.



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Now tack down the shade cloth to any interior support beams if required.



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Trim off all the edges using a box cutter (or other sharp cutting instrument)



When joining the edges of two rolls of shade cloth, try not to overlap the shade cloth if possible. Alternate the fixing points on the two edges



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Finished views of the Shade Cloth covered Pergola.