

# THE BEST... BLINDS AND SHUTTERS

Whether you're after Roman blinds or louvred shutters, head to the capital's top specialists

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**BLINDS**

**17-19 Great Eastern Street, EC2 (0844 884 3377 blinds.co.uk)** A no-frills shop that sets you up with most types of blinds, from wood to material. Visit the workshop/showroom in Shoreditch, or go online to check out the extensive range, which is surprisingly cheap. We rather liked the Sharon Black.

**CHANGING CURTAINS**

**186 Archway Road, N6 (020 8340 9801 changingcurtains.co.uk)** This great one-stop shop stocks all sorts of blinds; pleated, Roman, motorised, voile, blackout... And if you're after shutters, the website features a nice gallery of houses where shutters bought at the shop have been installed, so you can get tips on what would suit your home.

**HORNSBY INTERIORS**

**35 Thurloe Place, SW7 (020 7225 2888 hornsbyinteriors.co.uk)** This South Kensington showroom brims with opulent curtains, drapes and accessories. There are swags and tails, pelmets and finials that will make you want to give

up minimalist interiors forever. The fabrics range from Osborne & Little to Nya Nordiska, so most tastes are catered for.



The New England Shutter Company's plantation range

basswood you get a range of 51 paints and stains.

**SALT**

**116 Oxo Tower, Bargehouse Street, SE19 (020 7593 0007 salt-uk.com)** This high-end design studio creates beautiful, bespoke fabrics for window treatments. It specialises in areas where light needs to filter through but privacy is highly important. Have a look at Salt's portfolio on the website for ideas on how to use fabrics for windows in your home.

**SHAFTESBURYS**

**254 Goldhawk Road, W12 (0845 165 8333 shaftesburys.co.uk)** With nine showrooms in South England (four of which are in London), this is one of the big hitters of the business. The extensive range covers louvred, plantation, solid and shaped shutters.

**BEST ON THE NET**

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