

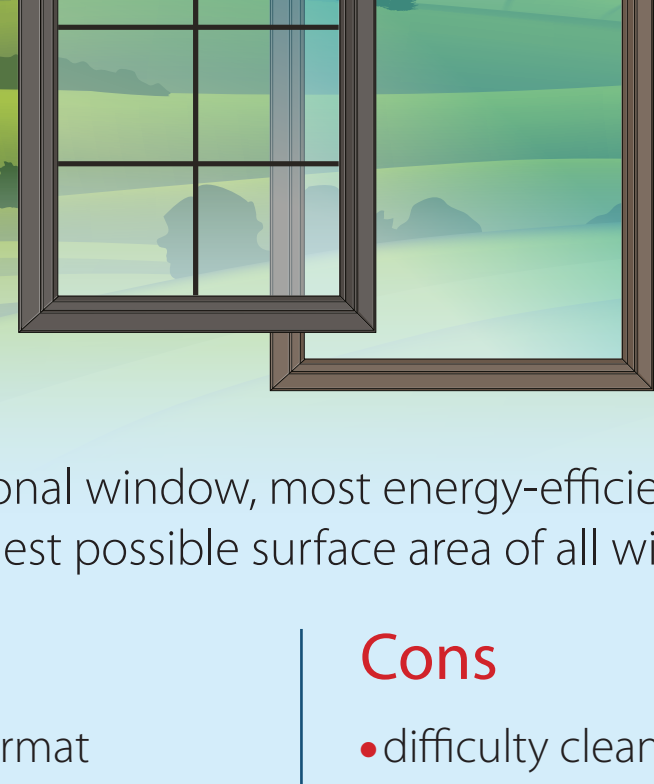
Window Types

(the pros & cons)

Ever wonder why there are so many different types of windows? Some are easier to open, some provide great ventilation, some provide beautiful unobstructed views, some are space savers, and some just look great with certain architecture designs.

There are advantages and disadvantages to every style of window, but which ones are right for you? Hopefully this infographic will help you decide.

Picture Windows



Fixed non-operational window, most energy-efficient of all window types, offering largest possible surface area of all window types.

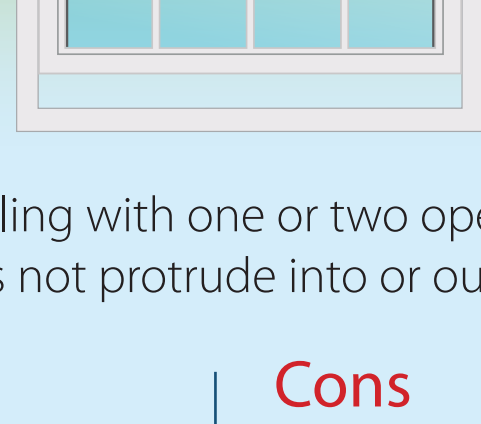
Pros

- largest window format
- unobstructed views
- more natural light
- energy-efficient

Cons

- difficulty cleaning exterior
- non-operational, no ventilation
- possible heat gain & UV damage
- replacement glass is expensive

Hung Windows



Traditional window styling with one or two operational windows, that slide up or down. Does not protrude into or out of the home.

Pros

- easy operation
- excellent ventilation
- easy tilt-in glass cleaning
- non-protruding

Cons

- exterior screens
- higher maintenance
- less secure than other types
- size limitations

Casement Windows



Opens outward horizontally, these windows are more economical than sliders or hung windows and allow for the largest surface area and highest energy-efficiency of all operational windows.

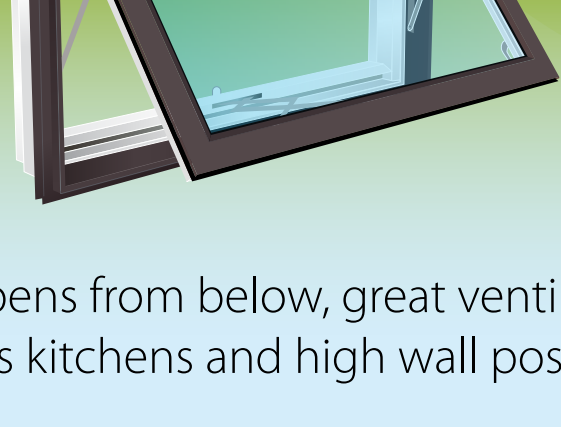
Pros

- easy operation
- good ventilation
- interior screens
- excellent security

Cons

- difficulty cleaning exterior
- hardware wear and tear
- must be closed in high wind
- protrudes outward

Awning Windows



Hinged at the top, opens from below, great ventilation solution. Perfect for bathrooms kitchens and high wall positioning.

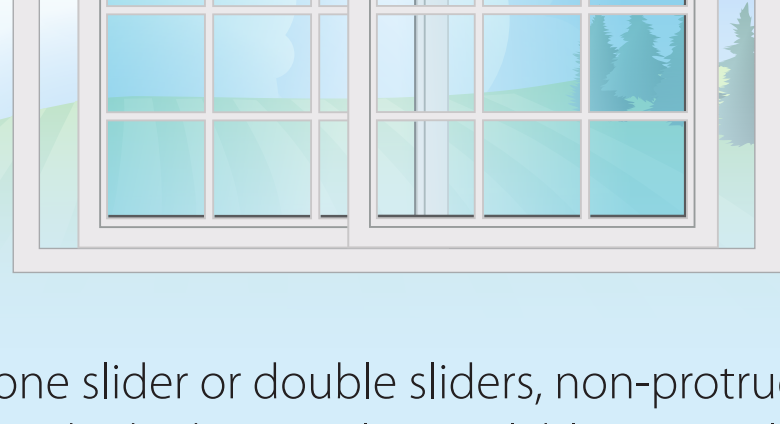
Pros

- easy operation
- good ventilation
- good rain protection
- interior screens
- excellent security

Cons

- difficulty cleaning exterior
- hardware wear and tear
- must be closed in high wind
- protrudes outward
- size limitations

Slider Windows



One fixed plus one slider or double sliders, non-protruding, easy cleaning from inside the home. Also available in a triple lite configuration. Does not protrude into or out of the home.

Pros

- easy operation
- good ventilation
- excellent security
- non-protruding

Cons

- exterior screens
- higher maintenance
- less secure than other types

Bay Windows



A three-sided protruding extension, mix and match window types within configuration to create a personal and functional space.

Pros

- adds more space in home
- more natural light
- enables panoramic views
- multi-window configuration

Cons

- complex installation
- poor installation can lead to structural, insulation and water damage issues
- hard to find window treatments

Shaped Windows



Fixed non-operational custom shaped window includes circular, half circle, diagonals. Complement architecture. Dramatic impressions.

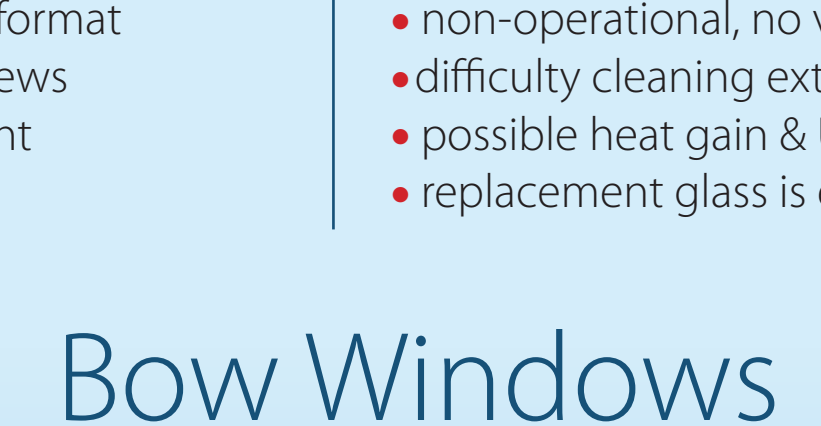
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- energy-efficient

Cons

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Bow Windows



Similar to a bay window, but may be comprised of any combination of four to six individual sides forming a semi-circle.

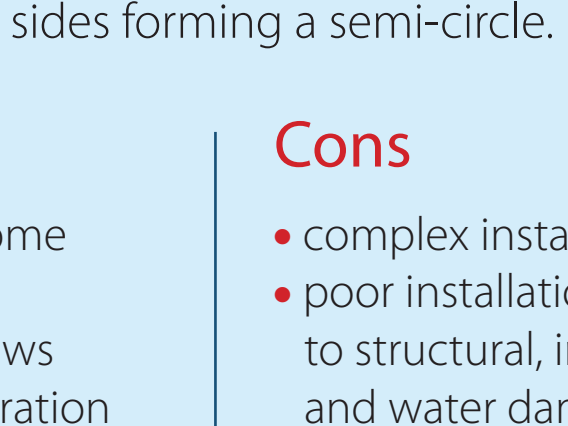
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- multi-window configuration

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Garden Windows



Protrudes from home to add another dimension to a room, fitted with proper glass allows UV rays in for small plants and herbs.

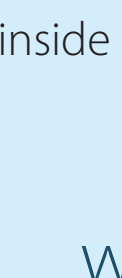
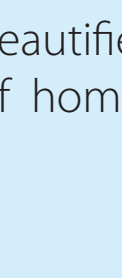
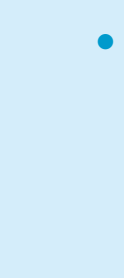
Pros

- allows more light in
- accommodates small plants
- operational components allow fresh air in
- beautifies inside and outside of home

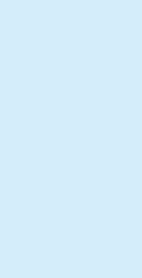
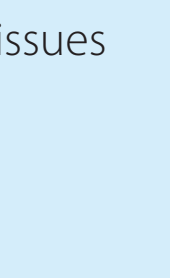
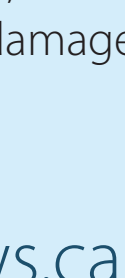
Cons

- solar heat gain within the room
- no window treatment
- poor installation can lead to structural, insulation and water damage issues

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