

# How to Choose the Right Size for Your Chandelier



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A chandelier is more than just a utilitarian light fixture. "Chandeliers are the jewelry of a room," designer [Georgia Zikas](#) states. "They add instant shine and impact into your room and can be as versatile or as stately as you want it to be." While there are many different styles of chandeliers on the market, you will want to carefully evaluate your space before making a purchase. The size of your chandelier ultimately comes down to [where it is being placed](#) and the other furniture present in a room. Read on for designer approved tips on selecting a chandelier for the dining room, as well as other key spaces within the house.

## Tips for Choosing Chandelier Size in Dining Rooms

The diameter of a [dining room](#) chandelier should be about one-half to two-thirds the width of the table over which it will be hanging.

Kim Coombs of [KBCO Design](#) adds that choosing a chandelier for a given room doesn't simply come down to measurements. "When selecting chandeliers, I consider other important factors that will enhance the aesthetic of the space," she notes. "For example, 'Do I want this fixture to be the focal point of the room?' and, 'Will it be the main lighting source, or is it to create a mood in the space?'" In a dining room with a long, rectangular table, there are a couple of routes one can go, according to Coombs. "A long, expansive chandelier is an option, as are multiple hanging fixtures to elongate the space," she states. "Using chandeliers or dropped pendants create interest, soft lighting effects, and intimacy, while recessed lighting or ceiling mounts can not give the same effect."