

# Ordering Guidelines and Selection Tips

In addition to style and design, there are several other considerations to make when selecting a fan.

## Ceiling Height:

The more space between the blades and the ceiling, the more effectively your fan will circulate and distribute air. However, building codes require that the blades of a ceiling fan be at least 7' above the floor. Generally, we recommend hanging the fan as far down from the ceiling as is visually appropriate, and maintaining the 7' blade clearance above the floor. When dealing with higher ceilings, one third the distance to the floor is a good guideline.

Keep in mind, optional light kits for the Altus, Bodega, Flute, Lapa and Industry models add several inches to the overall length of the fan.

The blades on some Period Arts models (Prairie, Arcadia and Library) are positioned near the top of the body. When hung with the 3" down rod (18" overall length), the blades on these models are very close to the ceiling, reducing the volume of air movement. Consequently, these models are best suited for ceiling heights that can accommodate use of the 9" down rod (24" overall length) or longer.

## Blade Diameter:

In nearly all cases, our 52" blade span is the most appropriate selection. The 42" blade span should be reserved for smaller rooms or narrow spaces (10' x 10' and smaller), or when airflow to the area above the blades is blocked or restricted by architectural elements (beams, walls, cabinetry, etc.). Occasionally two 42" fans may be a desirable alternative to one 52" fan.

## Lighting:

All Period Arts fans are available with standard incandescent or energy-saving compact fluorescent lamping. Our CFLs provide 75% energy savings and lamp life up to 10 times longer than incandescent bulbs. While dependable for well balanced, warm light, keep in mind our CFLs are not dimmable.

Our opal glass lights generally function well as primary light sources for a space, but may not be satisfactory as the only light source in a room. This will depend on factors such as room size, wall/ceiling color and intended use of the space (i.e. reading or similar activities). Our mica and stained glass shades are intended to function as decorative accent lights and must be supplemented with additional light sources for a room to be properly lit.

## Controls:

Period Arts fans do not use pull chains (except for the Industry model). Therefore, in order to operate your fan at different speeds and switch your light independently of your fan, you need to select the appropriate control. Please refer to the controls section of our catalog or Web site for more information. Any control ordered with a fan that has been configured with an energy-saving CFL will be supplied in a non-dimming version.

Unless stated otherwise, all Period Arts controls are designed and intended for operation of a single fan or fan and light. Our #009A and #009B controls are available for controlling multiple fans, however separate switching must be planned for any lights associated with grouped fans.

Whether Period Arts controls are used, or controls are sourced from a third party, it is critical that "fan speed controls" are used and not generic "dimmers" or rheostats. Dimmers and rheostats intended for operation of light fixtures will shorten the life of your fan motor and void your warranty.

## Sloped Ceilings:

All models (except for the Eclipse) hang from a ball and socket mechanism that allows for installation on ceiling slopes up to 33 degrees. Our #045 slope adapter can be ordered and used for ceiling slopes that exceed 33 degrees and up to 45 degrees.

The Eclipse requires use of an optional adapter (#SAE) for sloped ceilings and will accommodate slopes up to 31 degrees.

The #LHK Hugger Kit (for the Bodega and Lapa) is intended for flat ceilings only.

**Period Arts Fan Company customer service is available to assist you with any additional questions you may have regarding selection of your ceiling fan. Contact Period Arts toll free at 1.888.588.3267 or via e-mail at [info@periodarts.com](mailto:info@periodarts.com).**



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