DTJ Interiors

TECHNICAL GUIDE · SP-02

Bedroom technical guide.

How we size and plan fitted wardrobes: cabinet heights, doors and drawers, where the rails go, what happens at the ceiling, and the space to leave in the room.

AT A GLANCE

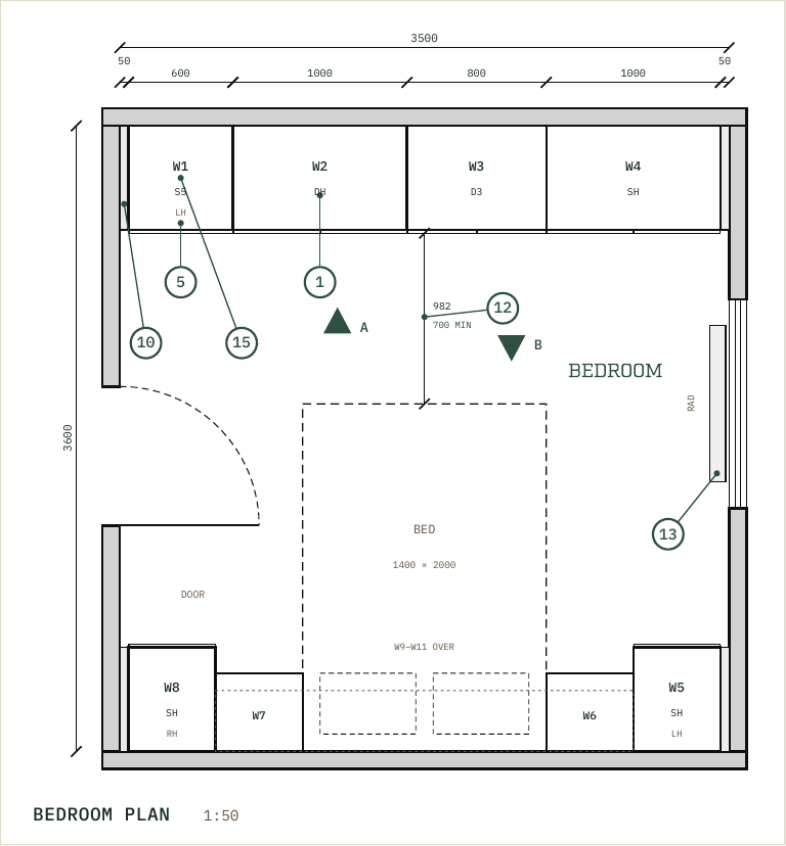
The sizes to plan with

What	Size	Good to know
Wardrobe cabinets	2160mm or 2300mm high, 600mm deep	On a 100mm plinth: 2260mm or 2400mm fitted
Widths	400–600mm single, 800–1000mm pairs	Made-to-measure bays up to 1200mm
Doors	The cabinet height less 5mm	2155mm or 2295mm
Hinges	4 on doors up to 2200mm high	5 on taller doors
External drawers	Three 197mm or two 247mm fronts	3mm gaps between fronts
Long hanging	Rail about 1900mm from the floor	At least 1500mm drop
Double hanging	Rails at 2000mm and 1000mm	
Shelves	Adjustable on 32mm drilling	25mm thick over an 800mm span
Gap to the ceiling	Up to 150mm: a filler scribed to the ceiling	300mm or more: a top box; in between, taller cabinets
Bed to wardrobe	700mm at least	In front of hinged doors: the door width plus 100mm
Fillers	Up to 100mm each end, scribed	At least 50mm where a door hinges against a wall
Overbed units	Underside 1500mm from the floor at least	Tops in line with the wardrobes
Sloping ceilings	About 1100mm clear for short hanging	1700mm for long hanging

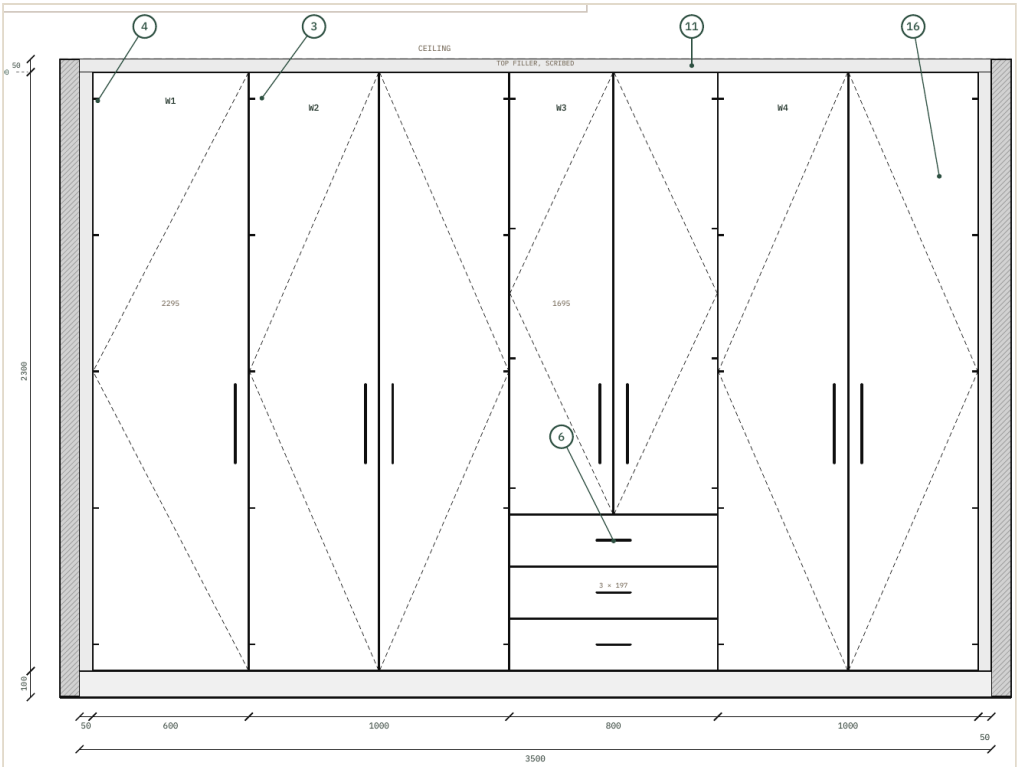
EXAMPLE DRAWINGS

How a bedroom is drawn

An example layout from our standard details (DTJ-SP-02). The numbers on the drawings are explained after them.

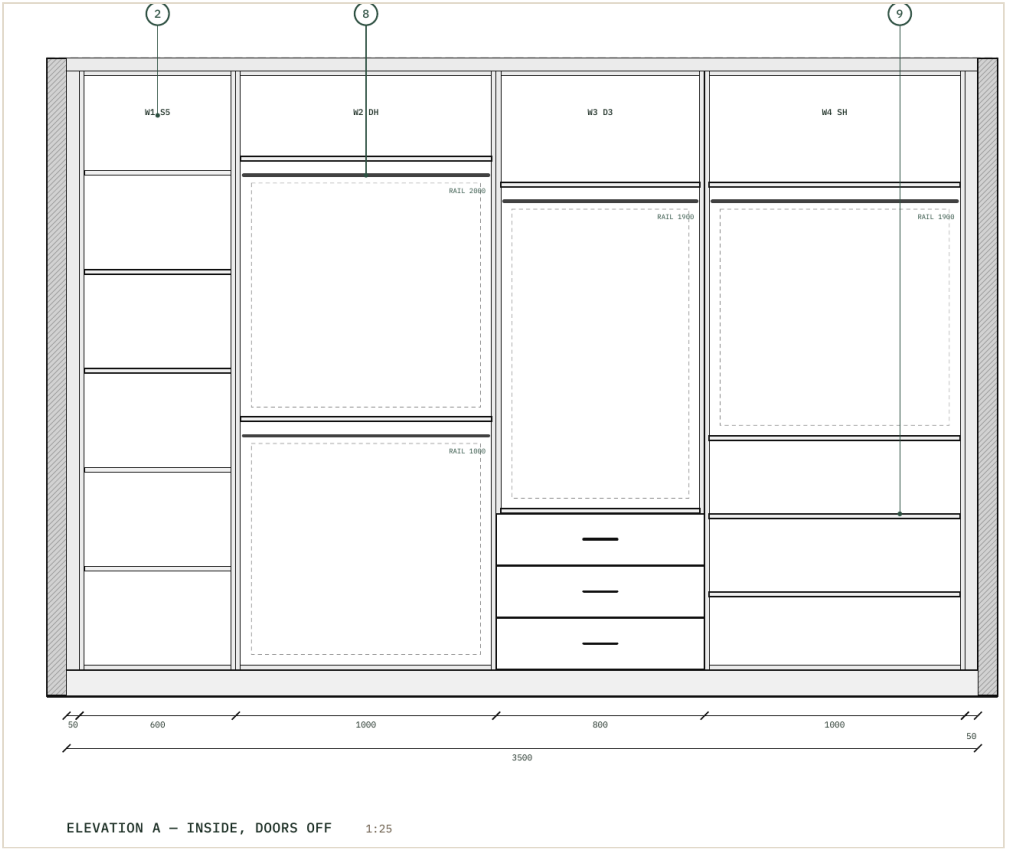


BEDROOM PLAN



ELEVATION A — WARDROBE RUN, DOORS 1:25

ELEVATION A: THE DOORS



ELEVATION A — INSIDE, DOORS OFF 1:25

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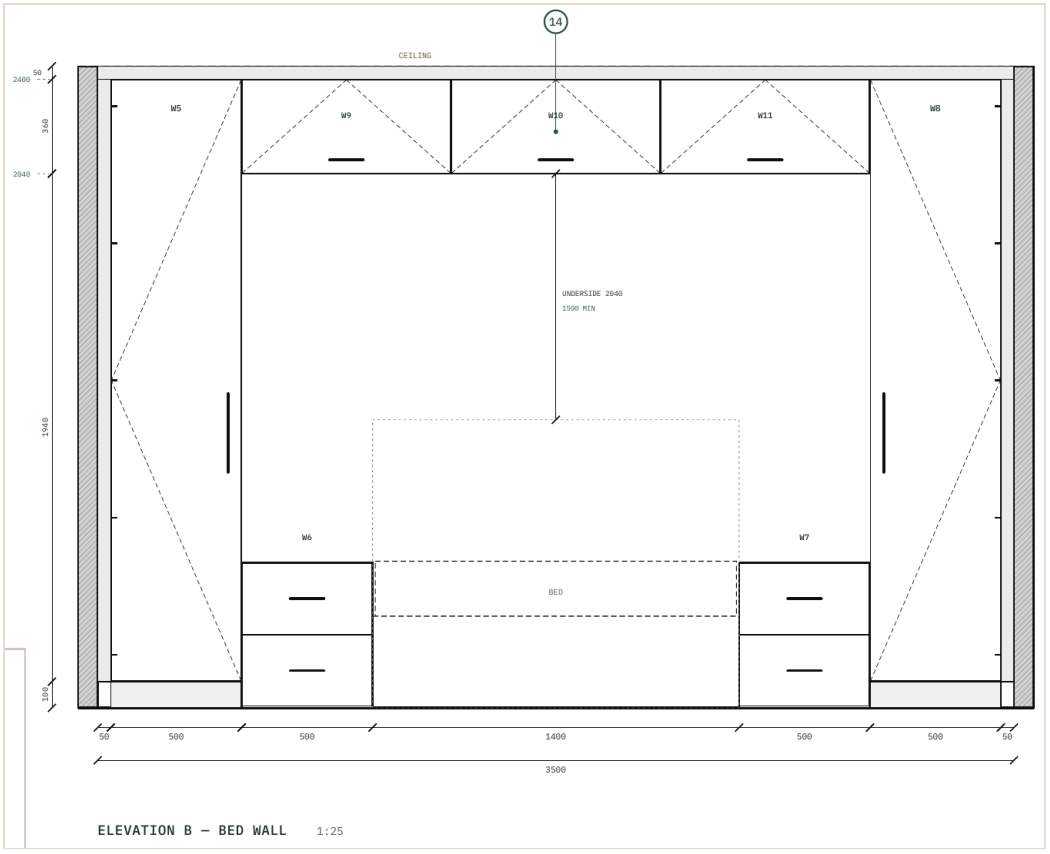
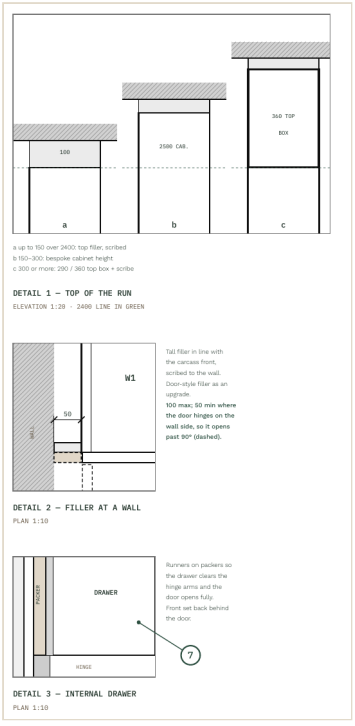


ELEVATION B: OVERBED UNITS AND CORNER



DETAILS: TOP OF THE RUN, FILLER AT A WALL, INTERNAL DRAWER

THE NUMBERS ON THE DRAWINGS

What the numbers mean

1. Our wardrobe cabinets are 2160mm or 2300mm high and 600mm deep, on a 100mm plinth. Widths 400–600mm single and 800–1000mm pairs, with made-to-measure bays up to 1200mm.
2. Inside layouts: double hanging, hanging with shelves, five shelves, hanging with three drawers, or hanging with two. Handleless versions too. Insides match the outside.
3. Full-height doors are 5mm shorter than the cabinet: single doors on 400–600mm bays, pairs on 800–1000mm.
4. Four hinges on doors up to 2200mm high, five above. Single doors hinge on the wall side.
5. Three-drawer bays: three 197mm fronts under a 1695mm door (on 2300mm wardrobes) or 1555mm (2160mm).
6. Two-drawer bays: two 247mm fronts under a 1795mm or 1655mm door, with 3mm gaps.
7. Drawers inside, behind the doors, sit on packers so they clear the hinges. See detail 3.
8. The long hanging rail is about 1900mm from the floor, just under the hat shelf, with at least 1500mm drop. Double hanging rails go at 2000mm and 1000mm.
9. Shelves adjust on 32mm drilling; the hat shelf and drawer deck are fixed. Shelves over 800mm wide are 25mm thick.
10. Fillers up to 100mm at each end, scribed to the wall; at least 50mm where a door hinges against the wall. See detail 2.
11. At the ceiling: up to 150mm, a filler scribed to the ceiling; 300mm or more, a top box plus a scribe; in between, we make the cabinets taller. See detail 1.
12. Leave at least 700mm from the bed to the wardrobe, and the door's width plus 100mm in front of hinged doors. Tighter than that, sliding doors work better.
13. Wardrobes never go over a radiator. We keep 100mm clear of window reveals and cut the backs round sockets.
14. Overbed units line up with the wardrobe tops, with the underside at least 1500mm from the floor. Doors over 600mm wide lift up.
15. Unit numbers run W1, W2… left to right as you face each run. With more than one room, each has a prefix (MB-W1 for the main bedroom).
16. LH or RH on the plan says which side a door hinges. On the elevations, the dashed lines meet at the hinge side.

BEFORE WE MAKE IT

What to check and arrange

Floor to ceiling

Measure in several places along the wall. Floors and ceilings are rarely level, so we plan to within 25mm either side and scribe to the walls.

Sockets and switches

Tell us about any inside the wardrobe space, so we cut the back panels round them.

Radiators and windows

Wardrobes can't go over a radiator, and need 100mm clear of a window reveal.

Lofts and sloping ceilings

Hanging only where the height allows (about 1100mm for short hanging, 1700mm for long). Below that, shelves and drawers.

Coving and alcoves

In an alcove we leave about 100mm at the top for coving and a scribe.

New homes (M4(2))

750mm clear on both sides and at the foot of the bed in the main bedroom; one side and the foot in other doubles.

OPTIONS

Options and good to know

- Exposed ends clad in your door finish, scribed to the wall.
- Corners: a blind corner wardrobe or an L-shaped walk-in corner.
- Doors: hinged BA or Bella doors, DTJ MDF doors, handleless, or sliding doors (priced on request).
- Shoe racks, trouser pull-outs, pull-down rails, LED rail lights and mirrors.
- Paint-ready MDF wardrobes, supplied raw for you to prime and paint.
- Walk-in wardrobes and open units, plus chests, bedsides, dressing tables, desks, overbed units and top boxes.

YOUR DRAWINGS

How to read your drawings

Unit numbers

Each unit on your quote, drawings and job schedule has the same number, so you can check one against another.

Handing

LH or RH on the plan says which side a door hinges. On the elevations, the dashed lines on a door meet at the hinge side.

Elevations

An elevation is a wall seen straight on. The letters A, B and so on, with arrows on the plan, show which wall each one is.

Revisions

Your quote, drawings and job schedule all carry the same revision letter. We make exactly what is on the latest signed drawing.

Example layouts only: the drawings for your job always take priority. All sizes are in millimetres. Please don't scale off a drawing. Confirm every size and height on site before anything is made. On supply-only jobs, measuring and site checks are yours (or your fitter's).

Planning a bedroom?

Send your room sizes and a sketch to **info@dtjinteriors.co.uk**, call **0115 784 8231** or WhatsApp **07956 032306**, and we'll draw it and send a quote.

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