

## **Instructions for the Installation and Assembly Of a Hand Blown Glass Chandelier**

1. Have the cage (armature) securely attached to the ceiling by a professional electrician using the pre-cut and pre-looped high tensile strength cable provided with the chandelier. This installation is no different than for any other “store bought” chandelier. The supplied electrical cord may be attached to the support cable using clear plastic ties, thin wire, or sheathed with a cloth cable cover which is available online. Please ask your installer to bring a ceiling canopy in your preferred finish as these are not provided with the chandelier.
2. These types of chandeliers are not very heavy since the glass parts are hollow, but nevertheless precautions must be taken to ensure adequate bracing with a proper chandelier junction box at the ceiling to carry the load. Any competent installer will be able to make this assessment.
3. We recommend using a dimmer switch at the wall, which will create varying levels of ambiance once the chandelier is assembled. Before attaching the glass to the cage, make sure all bulbs are in working order.
4. There are generally 3 different glass shapes - pods, horns, and gourds. The pods are bulbous with a tail, the horns are long and twisted, and the gourds are round. On a mover’s blanket or carpeted surface, separate the glass by color and shape.
5. Each chandelier part has a glass loop on the end, which is how the components are attached to the cage.
6. Start by attaching the parts at the bottom of the cage, distributing the shapes and colors evenly as you move up the armature. When the bottom row is full begin hanging from the next row up. At the end, you shouldn't have more than one or two of any one type of part left to hang. Be careful to not stack the parts too tightly as you may run out of parts at the top. There are a few additional pieces included with each chandelier to offset any breakage that may occur during shipment and to ensure that there are more than enough parts.
7. Install the glass with the lights switched on and dimmed. The pieces should more or less hang perpendicular from the surface of the cage. Step away each time after hanging 10 to 12 pieces and view the chandelier from a distance. This will allow you to see any gaps in the glass, which can be easily filled by rearranging the pieces as needed. It’s much easier to make adjustments as you proceed rather than after your chandelier is fully assembled.
8. Note that there is no wrong way to assemble a chandelier. It’s similar to arranging flowers in a vase. None of our customers have ever had any real trouble with the installation and assembly of their chandelier.