

## Stairs 2: Staircase Calculator

This is an easy calculator you can use to determine the [rise](#) and [run](#) of each step in your staircase and the length of boards you need to buy for your stair [stringers](#).

Numbers can be entered with a decimal or fraction (i.e. 8.0625 or 8 1/16). (See also [How to Build Stairs](#) and [How to Cut and Install Stair Stringers](#).)

1. Measure the [total rise](#) (from the surface of the upper floor to the surface of the lower floor). Use either inches or centimeters.
2. Enter this amount into **Total Rise** and set calculator for either inches or centimeters.
3. Select a common rise-run combination from **Simple** or enter your own in **Custom**.
4. Press the **Calculate** button and read the results in **Exact Measurements**
5. Press the **Print Results** button at the bottom of the page. This displays a new page. To print this new page, go to the **File** menu at the top of the window. Then click on **Print**.