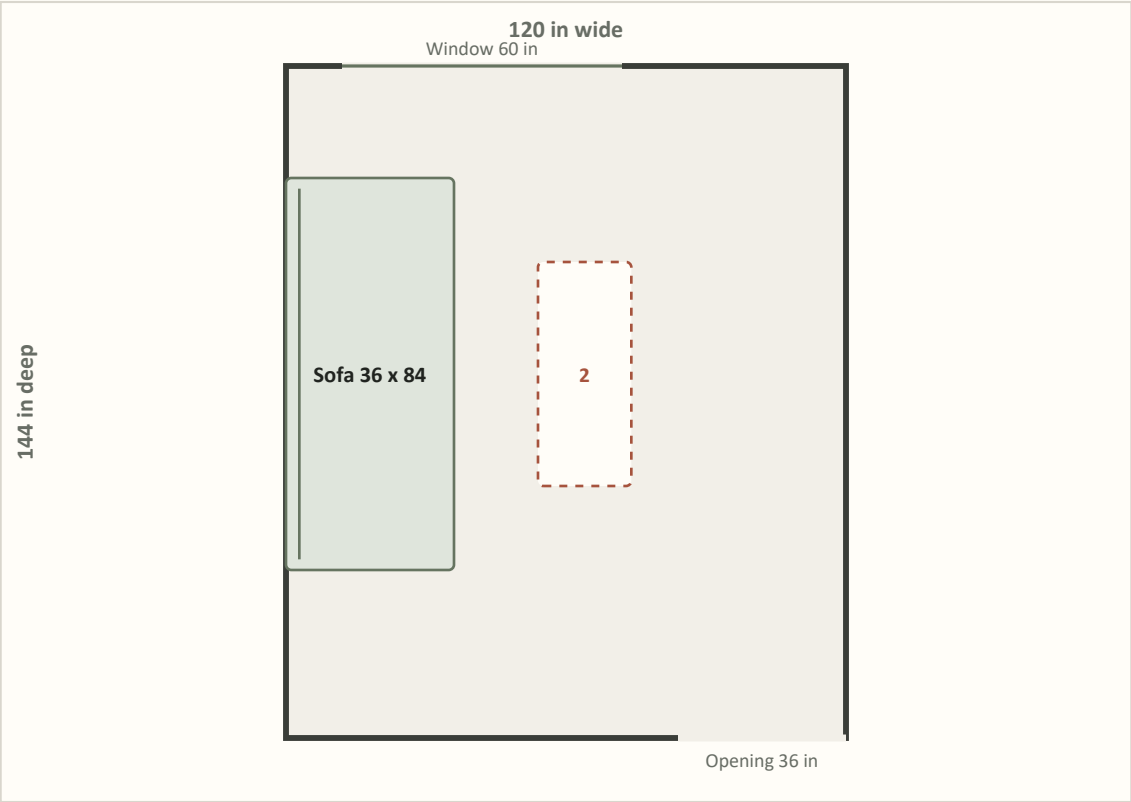


Small Living Room Fixes

Six measured before-and-after plans, with changes to try before you buy.



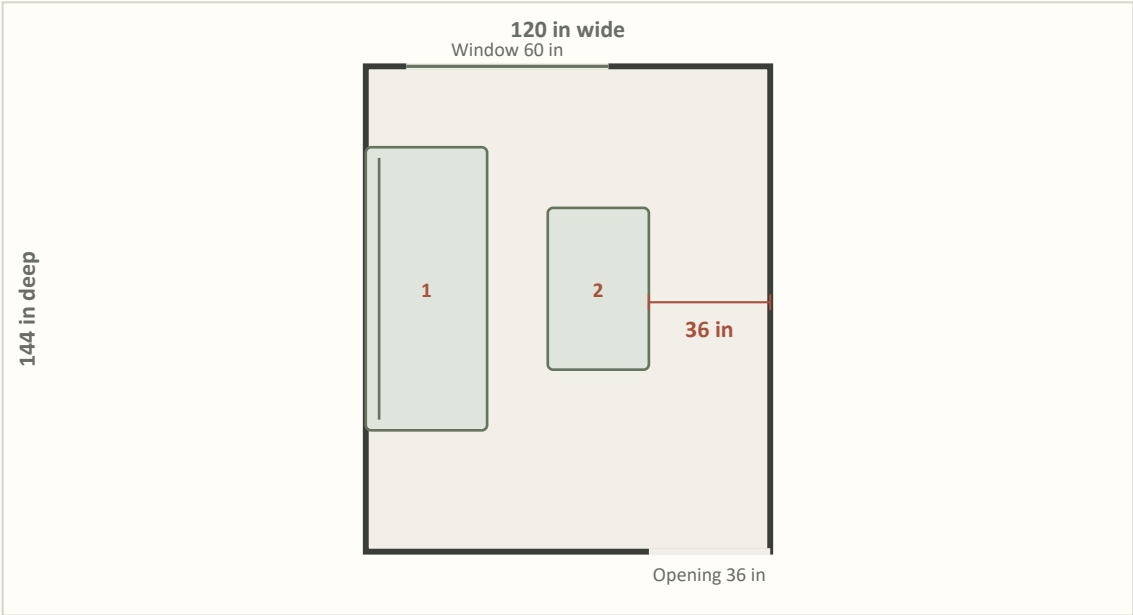
2 Table 20 x 48

Fixed feature Kept as is Moved New or trial piece

Keep what works. Make one thoughtful change.

You want to keep the sofa

The sofa fits the room. A deep coffee table takes space from the route along the right-hand wall.



1 Sofa 36 x 84

2 Table 30 x 48

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Illustrative plan. Labels: horizontal x vertical inches. Open passages have no door leaves.

The reference sizes

The sofa is 84 in wide x 36 in deep, rotated in the plan. The table is 48 in long x 30 in deep.

The calculation

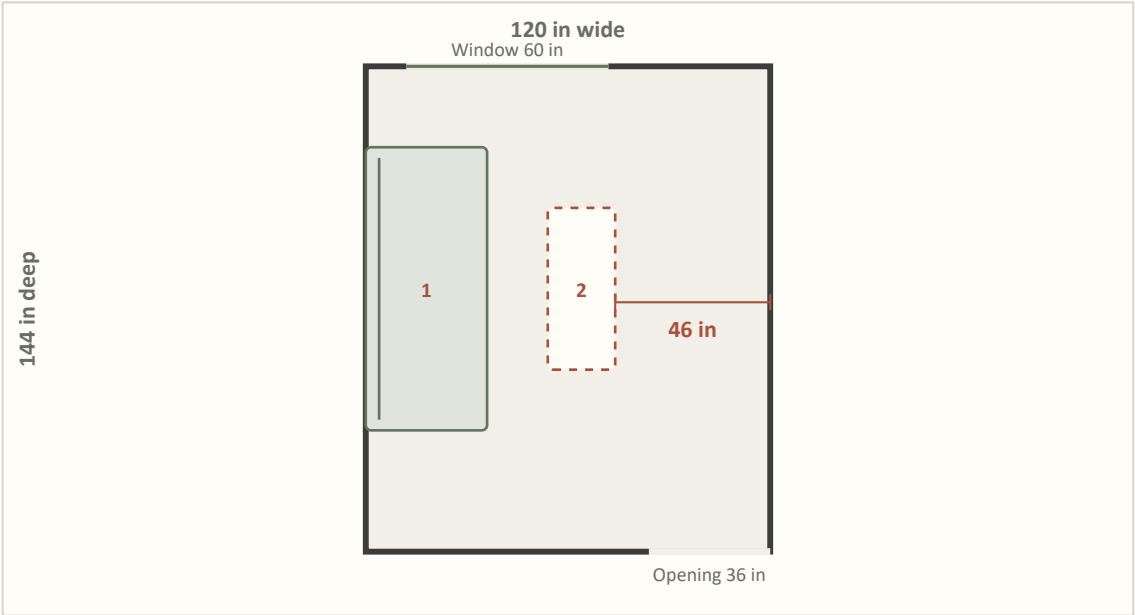
120 in room span - 36 sofa - 18 gap - 30 table = 36 in from table to wall.

Keep the room dimensions and openings unchanged when comparing with the next page.

See the change on page 12

Change the table depth first

A table with the same length and 10 in less depth leaves 10 in more clear space beside it.



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2 Table 20 x 48

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Illustrative plan. Labels: horizontal x vertical inches. Open passages have no door leaves.

The measured change

$120 - 36 - 18 - 20 = 46$ in from table to wall. The sofa, table length and 18 in reach gap are unchanged.

The tradeoff

A shallower table has less surface area. Check the things you actually put on it before accepting that compromise.

TRY THIS BEFORE YOU BUY

Lay paper over a 48 x 20 in footprint. Test walking past it and reaching it from each seat.

The 18 in sofa-to-table gap is an example input, not a comfort standard. Check your own reach, knees and furniture edges.