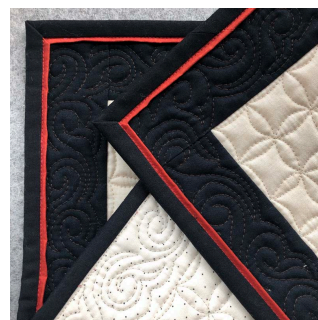


How to make flanged quilt binding

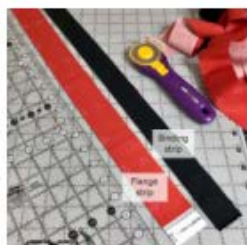
Flanged binding strip widths

Total Binding Width	Width to cut binding Fabric	Width to cut flange Fabric
2 1/4"	1 1/4"	1 1/2"
2 1/2"	1 3/8"	1 5/8"
2 3/4"	1 1/2"	1 3/4"



Steps to create flanged quilt binding

1. Using the chart above, cut strips of binding and flange fabric according to your desired total binding width.
2. Sew the binding strips together with a diagonal seam and press open. Repeat for the flange strips.
3. With right sides together, sew the binding and flange strips together with 1/4" seam.
4. Press toward the binding fabric.
5. Press the strip in half, wrong sides together. Your flanged binding is ready to attach!



Steps to attach flanged binding

1. Starting on the BACK of the quilt, place the flanged binding along the quilt edge so that the binding fabric is facing down towards the back of the quilt and the raw edges are even.
2. Leaving a 10" tail, begin stitching with a 1/4" seam allowance. After a few inches, check to make sure the binding will cover the stitches once it's wrapped to the front side. Adjust seam allowance if necessary.
3. Continue stitching until you get to a corner. Stop 1/4" (or the width of your seam allowance) from the corner and pivot towards the corner. Stitch off the corner and cut the thread.
4. Turn the quilt and fold the binding fabric at a 45 degree angle (up and away from the quilt).
5. Fold the binding down on itself so the fold is even with the top edge of the quilt and raw edges are even.
6. Begin stitching at the folded corner until you get to the next corner. Repeat for each corner.
7. Stop stitching when there is about a 15" gap from the starting stitches.





Steps to join the binding tails & finish

1. Fold both binding tails back so there is a very scant 1/4" gap between them.
2. Cut one of the tails on the fold.
3. Save the cut-off tail to measure where to cut the other tail.
4. Place the cut-off piece on top of the other tail and trim the binding tail even with the edge (that is away from the fold).
5. Open up both tail ends so that they are facing each other. Flip the right side tail onto the left tail (right sides together) and rotate the top tail 90 degrees. They should be perpendicular to each other.
6. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the top tail.
7. Check to make sure the flange seams are aligned.
8. Place a pin straight down where the diagonal line and the flange seams intersect. Pin on each side.
9. Stitch diagonal seam.
10. Check to make sure the binding fits properly, and then trim the seam and press open.
11. Stitch the remainder of the binding in place.
12. Press the binding over the seam. This makes it easier to wrap to the front.
13. From the front, miter each corner and pin in place.
14. From the front, stitch very close to the flange seam. Make sure to thread your machine with matching thread color for the top (flange color) and bobbin (backing color).
15. Pivot when you get to each corner and continue stitching all the way around.



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