



Extreme Crafts by Sandra Geiger

Serged Quilt Binding By: Sandra Geiger

1. Cut and prepare a continue bias cut strip 2 1/8" wide and long enough to bind your entire project.
2. Cut one short end at a 45° angle and press it under to the wrong side.
3. Prepare serger by threading 4 Thread Overlock Stitch Width M, Stitch Length 2.5 and Differential Feed N.
(You can also stitch with fusible thread in the lower looper to easily hold binding in place for finishing.)
4. Starting at the center of one side edge, position pressed under end of binding strip onto the right side of quilt with raw edge of binding matching raw edge of quilt front. **(See photo 1 below.)**
5. Starting approximately 2" down from folded edge of binding, stitch binding to quilt while simultaneously trimming off any excess batting or backing fabric.
6. Stop once you reach the corner and pull fabric away from machine. **(See photo 2 below.)**
7. Fold binding strip straight back over itself creating a 45° angle in the corner, clip in place with a wonder clip.
8. Fold binding straight down the next edge of quilt, keeping the corner square, and clip to hold in place. **(See photo 3 below.)**
9. Stitch down second side and repeat corner procedure around quilt, stop stitching 3" from your starting point.
10. Fold back opening of binding and tuck tail inside of fold. Trim excess binding strip off at the point where the stitching began. **(See photo 4 below.)**
11. Keep end of binding flat by clamping with a wonder clip, then continue sewing binding overlapping stitches by about 2".
12. Press sewn binding to back side and align fold with left needle stitching line. Secure binding with Wonder Clips, pins or 1/4" strips of Steam-a-Seam II. Or simply press if you stitched with fusible thread in the lower looper.
13. Using your favorite decorative stitch on your sewing machine, to stitch the binding down.



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4