

# Bindings and Borders

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Welcome to Bindings and Borders! This is a five part class, with each session devoted to learning a different skill. At the bottom is a list of supplies needed for all the classes, and special items for each class.

**Session 1:** We will learn how to attach the standard double fold binding to a quilt or wall hanging. Because this won't take that long, we will also learn how to join borders to our centers using a mitered corner.

You can choose to have your border and binding the same color (as in my sample), or you can have them of different colors. I will show you how to do the binding by both hand stitching and machine stitching.

## Supplies

### For all classes:

- Sewing machine ✓
- Quilter's presser foot (or ability to make a ¼ inch seam using your foot) ✓
- Needles ✓
- Thread to match your border and binding ✓
- Clips and/or pins ✓
- Small scissors ✓
- Travel size cutting mat ✓
- Rotary cutter and ruler ✓
- Seam ripper ✓
- Patience

### Session 1: Mitered Borders and Basic Binding

- Left edge topstitch foot (if machine finishing edge) ✓
- Fabric as below: (WOF = Width of fabric)

Fabric	# of Pieces	Size
Center block Can be embroidery or quilt square or just plain fabric	1	Between 6 and 12 inches per side
Border	2	2 ½ x WOF
Binding	2	2 ½ x WOF
Backing	1	Center block +7 inches per side
Batting	1	Same as backing

Bring any leftover fabric with you, as you may have an “oops” and need to re sew a piece. And yes, it’s ok to have a wider or narrower border. Just don’t cut the long strips until you get to class.

*✓ Denotes items available for purchase at Dublin Sewing Center. These items should always be purchased at Dublin Sewing Center to ensure that you have the correct product and to ensure that we can continue to teach these Classes at a low price. Please remember, though, that we only carry a few of each item at a time so it is best to purchase your items prior to the class (in person or by phone).*