

Invisible Binding

The Snappy Splendor Runner is "Quilt as You Go" and Reversible!!

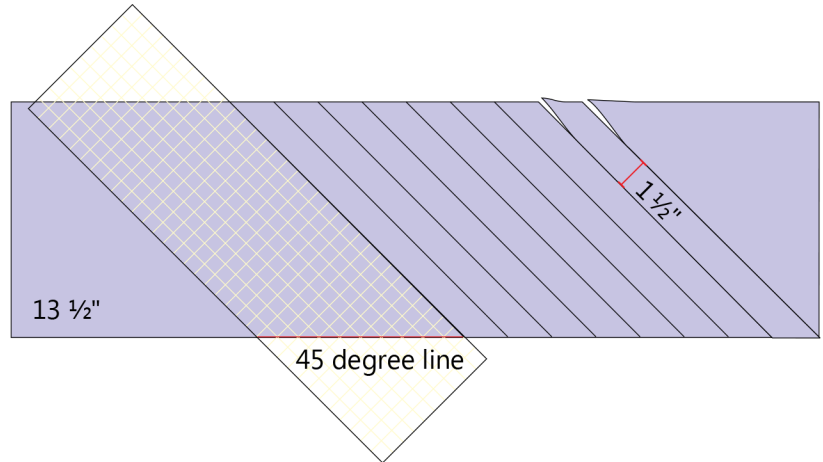
That's great---but how do you bind it when the two sides are too different to share the same binding??

Our solution is Invisible Binding. It shows on only one side of the project.

Cutting Bias Strips

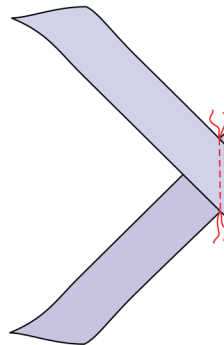
- Align your ruler's 45 degree line to the edge of your binding fabric.
- Cut along this line for bias strips.
- Move the ruler over 1 ½" from the first cut. Your strip will be 1 ½" wide.

You will need approx 13 strips for the runner found in the Snappy Splendor pattern.



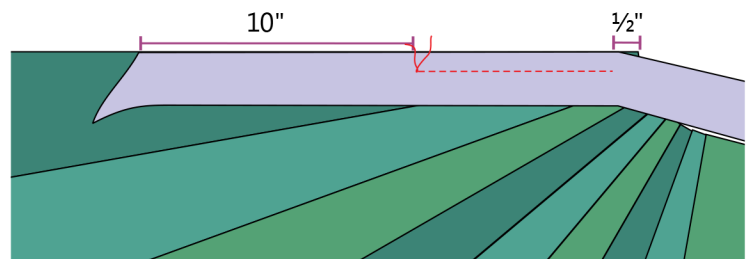
Join Strips

- Place two ends right sides together.
- Sew across the ends.
- Continue until all strips are in one continuous strip.
- Fold the strip in half.
- Press the fold.



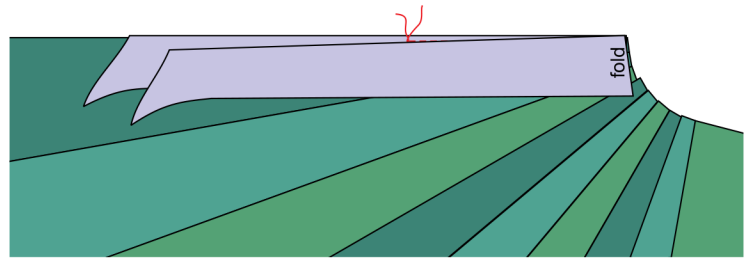
Attaching the Binding

- Place the strip on the side you want to be invisibly bound. Place the raw edges towards the raw edge of the runner.
- Begin about 10" from the end of the bias strip. Choose a starting point on a flat edge rather than a curved one.
- Use generous ¼" seam allowances.
- Sew to ¼" to ½" before the end of the edge of your runner. The distance is the same as the seam allowance you're using.

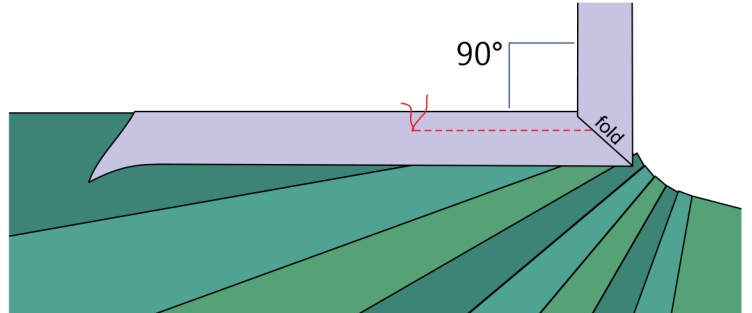


Around the Corners

- Fold the binding strip back on itself, so that the fold is right at the edge of the runner.

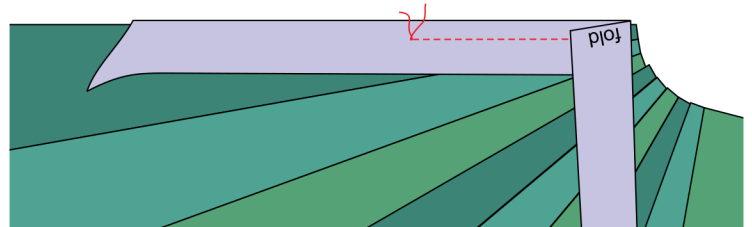


- Fold the strip away from the runner at a 90 degree angle.

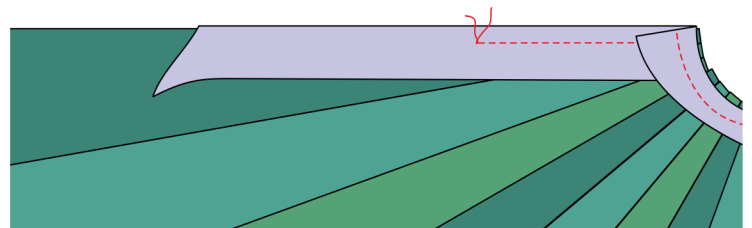


- Fold the strip down.

You will have a triangle of fabric under the strip. This will be folded in a similar fashion when you fold the binding to the other side of the runner.

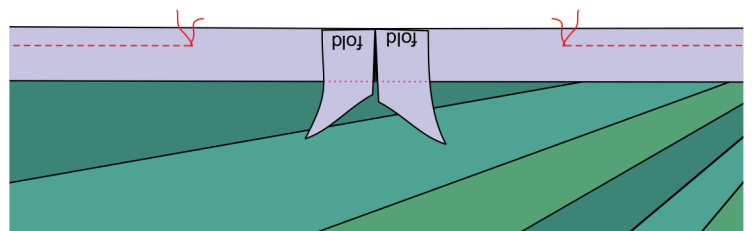
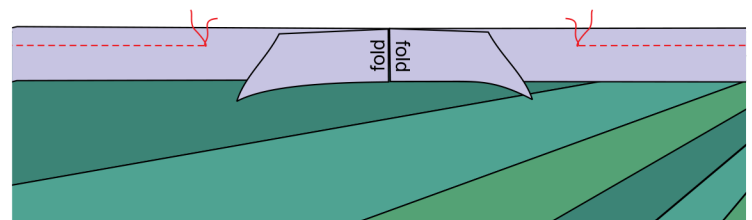


- Continue sewing around the runner.



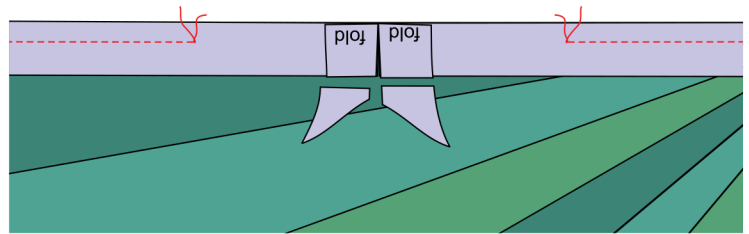
Joining the Ends

- Stop sewing approximately 10" from the start of your first stitching.
- Fold the two ends of the strip inward at the middle. (about 5" from each side)
- Align the folds so the fabric is flat and equal.
- Fold the ends down 90 degrees.



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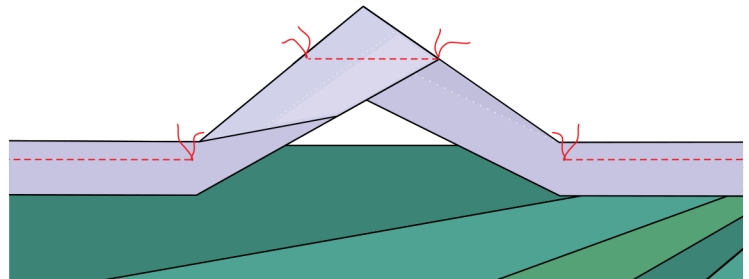
- Trim the ends of your strip exactly.



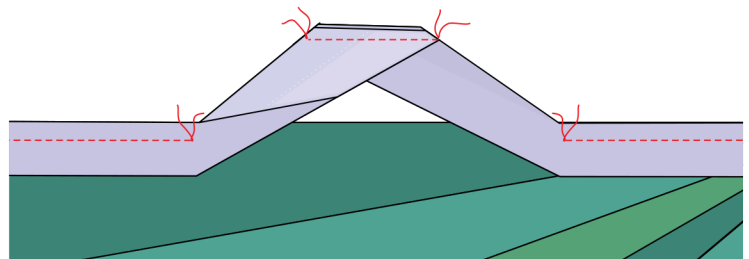
- Open the ends.
- Twist the top strip away from you so the wrong side of the fabric is facing up.

Be careful to twist the strip correctly.

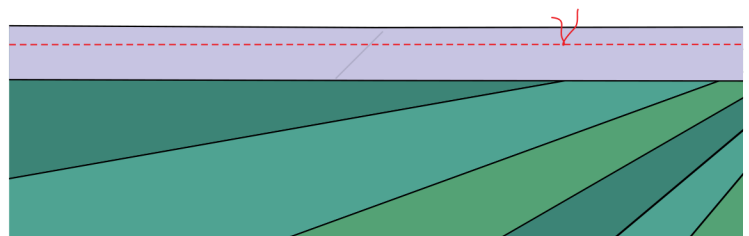
- Twist the top strip away from you so the wrong side of the fabric is facing up.
- Twist the bottom strip towards you so the right side of the fabric is facing up.



- Align the fabric right sides together.
- Sew along a 45 degree angle.
- BEFORE YOU TRIM test to make sure your strip was twisted correctly and will lay flat against your runner.
- Now trim the tip of the fabric.



- Lay the strip flat against the runner and sew into place.



Finishing

- Press your strip towards the unfinished edge of your runner.
- Flip your runner over.

You will now have a small amount peaking from the back side of the runner.

- Fold over the binding strip so the entire binding is on the facing side of your runner. (none of the binding is visible from the other side)
- Hand stitch the binding to the facing side of your runner.

