**Bias Cut Binding**

**Step 1** - Measure the quilt to determine how many inches of binding you need. Allow 10" extra for turning corners and the closure. The equation is: [(height of quilt + width of quilt) x 2] + 10. Refer to chart to find the size square needed.

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| **Size square to Cut** |
| **LengthNeeded** | **1½˝-WideBias Strip** | **2˝-WideBias Strip** | **2½˝-WideBias Strip** | **3˝-WideBias Strip** |
| **110˝** | 14˝ square | 16˝ square | 18˝ square | 20˝ square |
| **220˝** | 19˝ square | 23˝ square | 26˝ square | 28˝ square |
| **340˝** | 23˝ square | 28˝ square | 32˝ square | 35˝ square |
| **480˝** | 28˝ square | 33" square | 37˝ square | 40˝ square |

**Step 2**. Cut the square in half diagonally (**Diagram I**).



**Step 3**. With right sides together, sew the triangles together with a 1/4" seam and press open.

**Step 4**. On fabric wrong side long edges, draw lines to make strips of your chosen binding width (**Diagram II**). Use a clear acrylic rotary ruler and a pencil or fine-point permanent pen to draw the lines.



**Step 5**. Bring the short diagonal edges together, forming a tube (**Diagram III**). Offset the drawn lines by one strip. With right sides together, match lines with pins at the 1/4" seamline and stitch seam; press open.

**Step 6**. With scissors, cut along continuously drawn line.

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**Formula for Figuring Backing:**

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Quilt Top Length

 + 4” For Extra Backing

 ÷ 36”

 = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yards

 x 2 \* if your quilt width is 38” – 80”

 = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yards backing fabric

 (round up to nearest ¼ yard)

\*If your quilt width is 37” or less, multiply by 1

\*If your quilt width is 80” or more, multiply by 3

**Formula for Figuring Straight Cut Binding**

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Top measurement

 +\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Bottom measurement

 +\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Left side measurement

 +\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” Right side measurement

 + 12” just in case

 ÷ 40” usable fabric

 = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ number of binding strips

 x \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ width of strip

 ÷ 36”

 = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yards of fabric

**Add a hanging sleeve to your quilt back:**

* Measure width of quilt add 2” to find width of sleeve
* Standard finished height is 4” (4”x2 = 8” + 1” = 9” cut width)



Fold in 1”, then under ½” to finish both ends of sleeve



Fold right long sides together and sew



Press seam open

* Sleeve may be attached after binding is complete or before
* Be sure to secure the bottom long edge of the sleeve to the quilt

