Art Quilt Binding

To figure yardage for binding your quilt, first measure the quilt. Then use the equation below.

This will tell you how many full strips of fabric you will need. It is usually a good idea to add one more strip, 'just in case'!

Width + Length x 2 divided by 40 = # of strips # of strips x 2 1/2 = yardage in inches

Cut the number of strips needed.

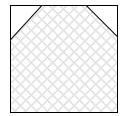
From these strips, cut (4) 2 1/2" squares...(one for each corner).

Fold these squares in half diagonally, wrong sides together, making a triangle.

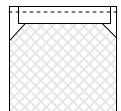


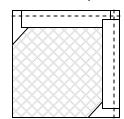
Press strips in half lengthwise, wrong sides together.

Place a triangle on each corner of right side of finished quilt having raw edges even. Pin in place.



Place a 2 1/2" strip on one side from corner to corner, raw edges even. Allow raw edge of strip to extend over the corner triangle, but not reach to the edge of the quilt. Trim to size. Pin in place. Stitch 1/4" along edge.





Repeat for each side of the quilt.

Trim extra fabric off on each corner. Turn corner triangles around to the back of the quilt. Press well, keeping all of the binding strips against the back of the quilt.

Stitch in place using your favorite binding stitch. Stitch corner triangles closed, or leave open for a dowel for hanging.

