

Hanging Sleeve Instructions

Removable Sleeve Option:

1. Cut (and piece, if necessary) a strip of fabric 9" wide and the width of the finished quilt.
2. Hem both short ends by turning 1/4" over twice and stitch close to the folded edge.
3. Fold the strip in half, lengthwise, wrong sides together and press well.
4. Open strip and refold, bringing long unfinished edges just to center of the strip to meet at the pressed fold line. Do not overlap. Press the two long folded edges.
5. Bring the long unfinished edges together with the wrong sides to the inside, and sew using a 1/4" seam. Do not turn the resulting tube.
6. Pin one long pressed edge just under finished upper binding edge on back of quilt.
7. Hand stitch the long edges of your tube to your quilt, having the side with "the bump" (or extra fabric) facing out. The extra fabric on this side of the tube will allow room for the hanging rod. Be sure to tack the ends of the tube.

Permanent Sleeve:

Complete before binding is hand-sewn to back of quilt.

1. Machine sew binding, as you usually do, to the front of the quilt, but do not bring the edge to the back and sew that down yet.
2. Cut (and piece, if necessary) a strip of fabric 9" wide and the width of the finished quilt.
3. Hem both short ends by turning 1/4" over twice and stitching close to the folded edge.
4. Fold the strip lengthwise, wrong sides together, bringing one long raw edge up to an inch below the other long raw edge. Press the folded edge well.
5. Now bring the long unfinished edges together with the wrong sides to the inside, and sew them together using a scant 1/4" seam. Do not turn the resulting tube.
6. Line up the raw edges of the tube with the raw edges of the top of the quilt. Have the side of the tube with the "bump" (or extra fabric) facing out. Pin all layers together, being sure to pin the binding out of the way so you do not sew over it. Have the front of the quilt facing you as you sew so you can stitch on the existing line of stitching. Machine sew the top raw edge of the tube to the top of the quilt.
7. Hand sew the bottom pressed edge of the tube to your quilt. The extra fabric on this side of the tube will provide room for the hanging rod. Be sure to tack the ends of the tube.
8. Hand sew the binding over the raw edges of the tube.