

Making a 3½ inch wide Sleeve for hanging your Quilt at our Quilt Show

Once you have produced that wonderful quilt, you quilt want to display it at our annual Quilt Show! It will need a sleeve [casing] to hang by and to make it easier for the people who hang your quilts at the show.

- 1 Measure the width of the top edge of your quilt. _____ inches
- 2 Cut a length of fabric, 7½ inches wide by _____ inches [the width of your quilt]. If you need to piece together more than one length of fabric, do it at this point. The seams will be to the outside of the sleeve to make hanging easier.
- 3 Fold the length in half – it will now measure 3¾ inches wide by the width of your quilt.
- 4 Sew a ¼ inch seam along the long edge to form the casing of the sleeve. [This will leave you with a 3½ inch wide casing or tube.]
- 5 Press this casing flat, with the long seam in the center of the casing width on one side.
- 6 Fold back the edges twice to the outside, and hem them by machine or hand.
- 7 Lay the completed sleeve onto the back top of your quilt, just below the binding and centered across the width. Stitch the top and bottom edges in place by hand, being careful not to have your stitches show on the front of the quilt.
- 8 Sew the short ends that are touching the quilt, to the quilt. This insures that the wooden frames will go through the middle of the casing pocket and won't be touching your quilt. It also makes it much easier to hang the quilts!

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