

Binding 101

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Your quilts are made, but you don't know how to finish them? Binding 101 is for you.

Just bring either your project, or a "quilt sandwich"*** (see supply list for instruction) and your binding fabric to learn the traditional method of applying binding with your sewing machine, and hand stitching it to the back of the project.

You will learn:

- To calculate how much binding is needed for this and future projects
- How to cut regular and bias binding
- How begin and end the application
- Making and applying a sleeve for hanging

Below is a list of supplies needed; please remember you will receive a 15% discount on any purchases needed for class. We thank you for supporting brick and mortar stores.

Supply List

- Sewing machine in working order
- Sewing machine needle; I use 75/11
- Matching thread (I prefer 50w)
- Hand sewing needle, size 9 sharp or similar
- Binding clips or straight pins (you will like clips better)
- Long ruler and rotatory cutter with sharp blade
- Scissors
- Thimble Pads or thimble (not required, but they are a finger saver)
- Quilt project
- Binding fabric (if you used a pattern, bring what is listed. If you are unsure how much you need, please contact me)

***Quilt sandwich instructions (if no quilt project): Cut 2 pieces of fabric and 1 piece of batting equal size. Cut them no smaller than a fat quarter (18x21), 2 half yards would work. Press fabric and layer starting with 1 fabric right side down, then batting, finishing with 2nd fabric right side up. Pin and stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ around entire quilt sandwich. This is what you will apply binding to. After class you can cut off seam and reuse fabric. If you are learning to quilt your own projects it is a good opportunity to quilt a small project, then stitch around project and use for binding class.