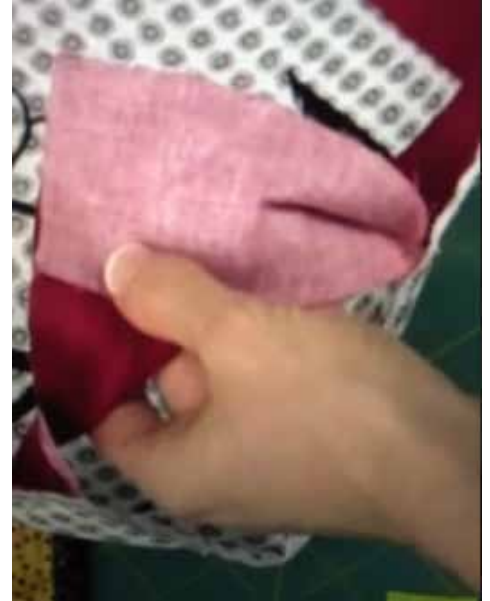
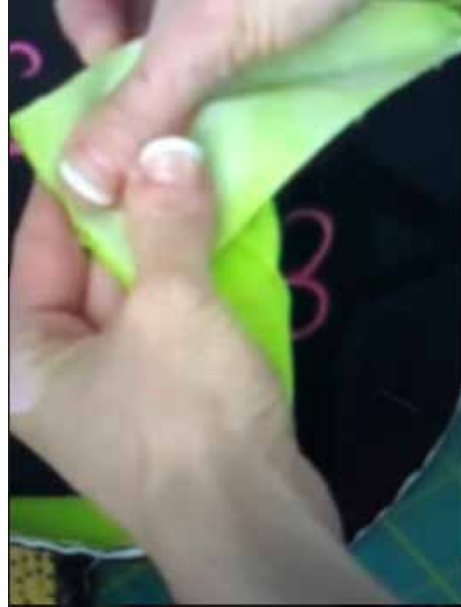


# FINISHING AND ATTACHING THE BINDING

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## Method #1

Start on the long side of your project leaving at least a 6" tale before starting to attach. Sew around and stop sewing on the same side that you started leaving as much room as possible. Place a pin in the quilt to mark where both ends will meet. If your binding is 2-1/2" wide, folded it would be 1-1/4" wide. From the pin mark, measure over both ends 1 1/4" and cut off the rest of the binding. Bring both pieces of binding right sides together and stitch from corner to corner.



After stitching, cut off the excess with a quarter inch seam. Then your binding should fit perfectly, with very little bunch.



The next method is similar: However wide your binding is, you would overlap your bindings that much. If your binding is 2-1/2" you would overlap your beginning binding piece with the ending binding piece 2-1/2". Then you would do the same procedure as above and put right sides together and sew from corner to corner, clip to a quarter of an inch seam. It should fit perfectly.

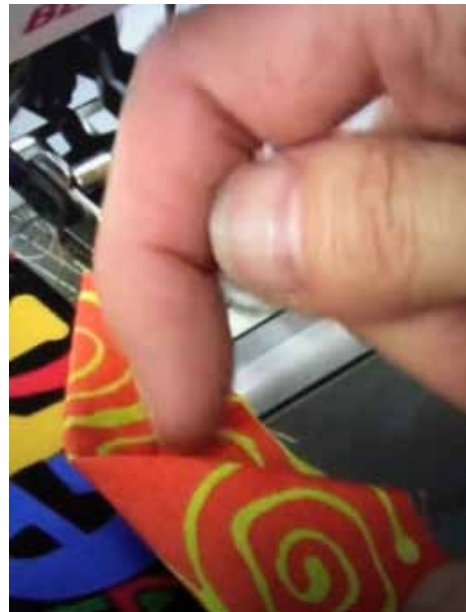
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# FINISHING AND ATTACHING THE BINDING (continued)

## Method #2

Start by opening up the folded over binding at the beginning and fold down a diagonal corner and fold over the binding again to form a little pocket.



Using a quarter inch seam allowance, open the pocket a little and start stitching from the top of the binding. After stitching about an inch down, fold the binding over again and stitch as you would any other binding. When you come to the end, the end of the binding will be trimmed down and tucked into that little pocket and stitched closed

