

## MAKING A SLEEVE

Cut fabric for sleeve 9" x the width of your quilt.

Fold the 9" ends under twice and sew close to the folded edge.

Fold sleeve in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press. This press line will be a guide only.

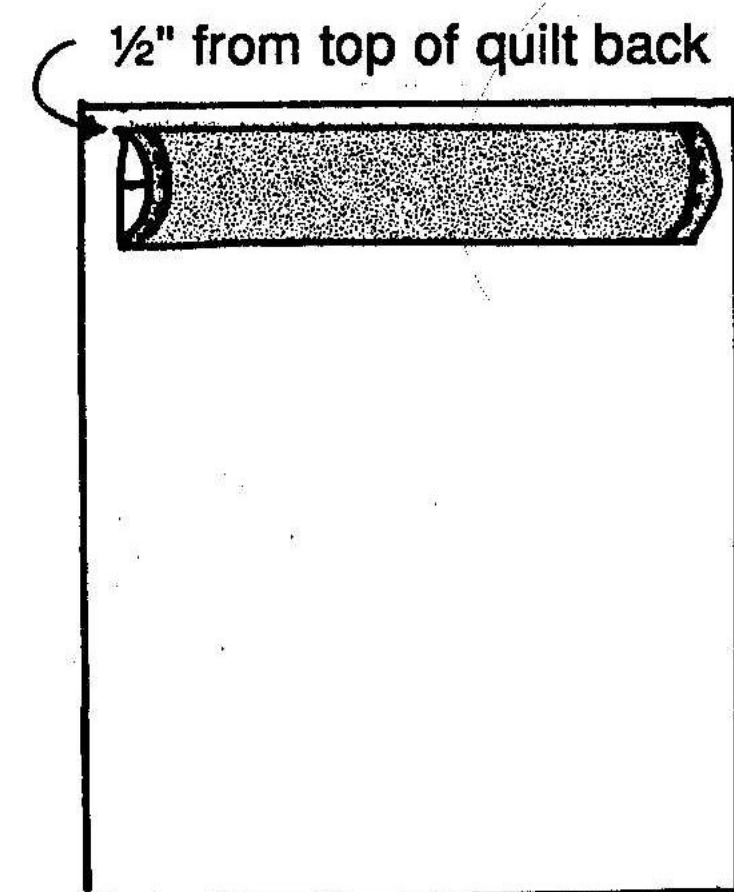
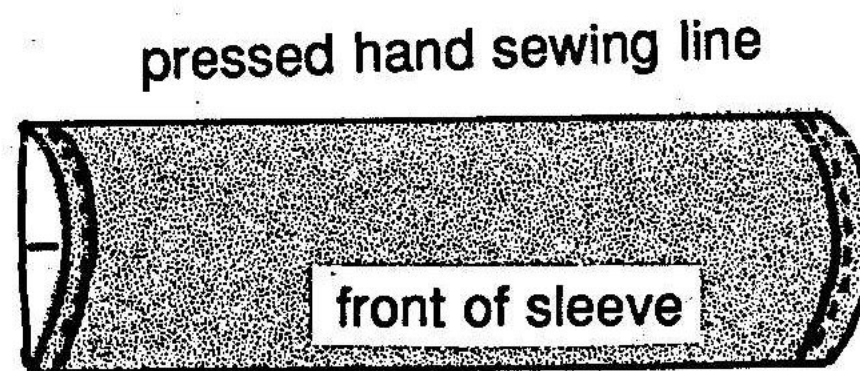
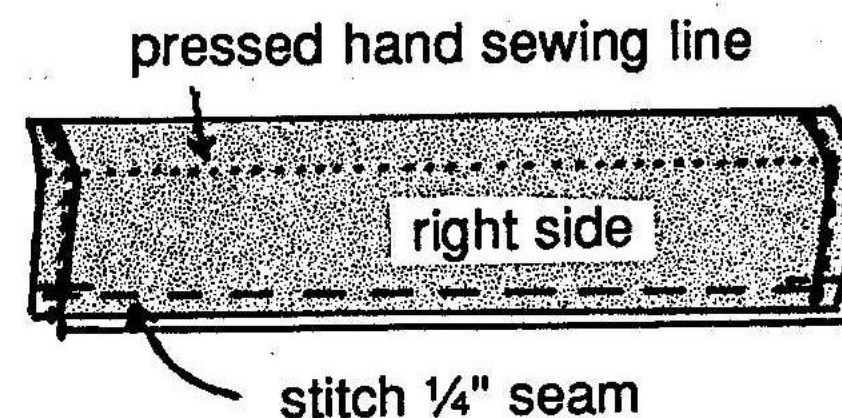
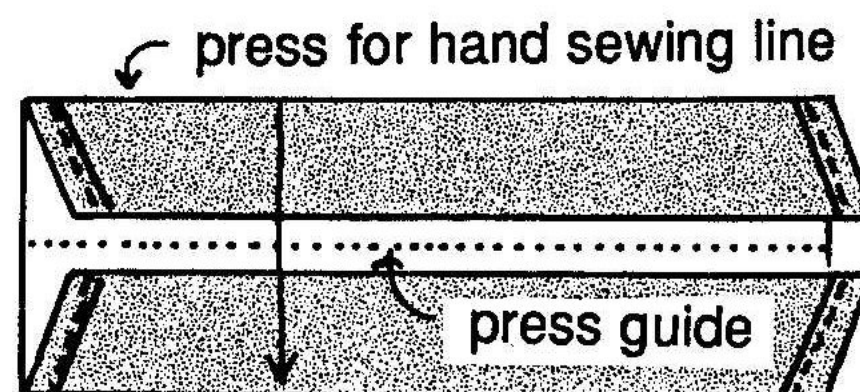
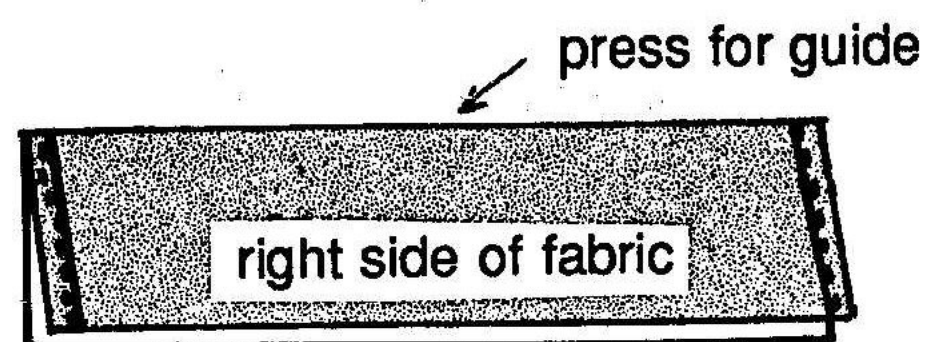
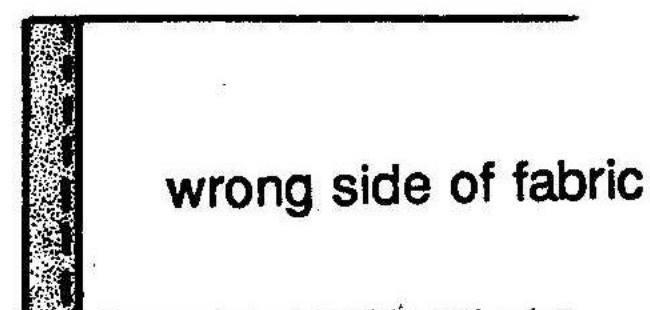
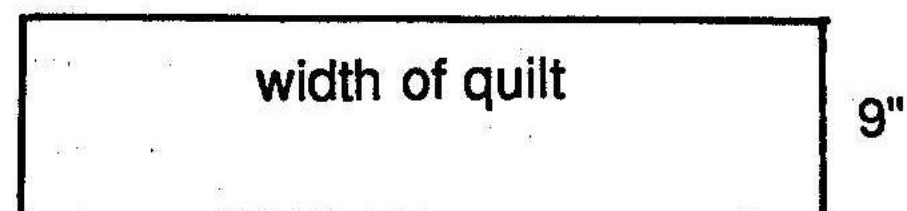
Open sleeve and fold the edges to the middle press line, wrong sides together. Press these new lines in firmly. They will be your hand sewing lines.

With wrong sides together, sew a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam the length of the sleeve. Begin the seam about  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the end, backstitch, continue seam to the end, then backstitch. This prevents the tails of thread from hanging out the ends of the sleeve.

Press the seam to one side, taking care not to press over the previous pressed edges. The sleeve will be convex on the side without the seam.

Pin sleeve along pressed edges to the quilt back. The top of the sleeve should be about  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the top of the quilt. Hand sew, being careful not to stitch through to the quilt front.

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# BINDING A QUILT

Cut binding on the straight of grain according to the following:

<u>Binding Width</u>	<u>Cut Width</u>
1/4"	2 1/4"
1/2"	3 1/4"
3/4"	5 1/4"
1"	7 1/4"

Sew strips of binding together to get the length you need (length of quilt x 2 + width of quilt x 2 + 4").

Beginning somewhere near the bottom center, place doubled binding on top of quilt, raw edges together. Stitch with a seam allowance the same width as the binding. Begin stitching about 1" from top of binding strip (see Fig.1), backstitch, and continue sewing.

As you near a corner, measure the width of the binding from the edge of the quilt and mark with a pin (see Fig.2). Stitch to pin and stop with the needle down. Remove pin.

Lift the presser foot and pivot the quilt until the corner points directly at you (see Fig.3). Stitch this 45° angle to the corner and off the quilt (see Fig.4).

Pivot another 45°. Fold binding along corner seam line then along edge of quilt (see Fig.5). Continue sewing from top folded edge.

Sew all around quilt until you are about 1 1/2" from where you began. Open up one of the folded bindings, fold under about 1/2", and finger press. Place other edge inside opened binding and re-fold(see Fig.6). Finish stitching seam.

Fold binding to the back of the quilt and hand sew, being careful that your stitches do not show on the front. Sew corners down on quilt front, if needed.

