

FLANGE BINDING

Many of the instructions call for your flange binding $1/8$ " however I prefer mine to be $1/4$ ". **NOTE:** Your flange will always be bigger than your binding.

If you are wanting a **$1/8$ "** flange cut your binding $1\ 1/2$ " and your flange $1\ 3/4$ ", allowing a $1/4$ " extra (remember it is folded in half therefore you really only have $1/8$ " flange).

If you are wanting a $1/4$ " flange cut your binding $1\ 1/2$ " and your flange 2 ", allowing a $1/2$ " extra (when folded in half you will have a $1/4$ " flange).

- Using your binding pieces (the size required for the quilt) sew each strip together, mitering all joins. Do the same with the flange strips.
- Staggering your seams, with right sides together sew the flange strips and the binding strips together to form one long piece. Staggering reduces the bulk of the seams.
- Press the seam open.
- Press the two raw edges of the flange and binding wrong sides together. At this point the flange should be $1/8$ " or $1/4$ " above the binding, depending on the width planned for.
- Sew the raw edges to the **BACK** of the quilt so that when the binding is turned towards the right side the flange will show on top. When coming to a corner miter as you would other bindings - stop $1/4$ " away from corner, break thread and fold the binding up forming a right angle and down. Continue sewing from that corner $1/4$ " in.
- Once the binding has been sewn (leaving 8-10 inches for joining) join the ends.
- Bring the binding to the front of the quilt, press well especially the corners. Stitch in the ditch (along the inner edge of the flange.)

➤ You will have a nice neat binding with no hand sewing!

HAVE FUN!