

Trick or Treat Quilt-a-long
Mini Quilt One
Skill Level: Advanced Beginner

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This is setting one for the Trick or Treat Quilt-a-long. This setting uses one 9" block with border and is a quick and simple quilt. It fits perfectly into Ackfeld's 12" x 14" Table Stand. This quilt project contains an excellent front to back binding tutorial.

Fabrics Needed:

Fabric H - Moda Crackle Black 574661

Backing

Binding and sleeve

Two 2" x 9-1/2" rectangles

Two 2" x 12-1/2" rectangles

One 12-1/2" square

Two 2-1/4" x width of fabric strips

Materials Needed:

Pellon[®] Legacy[™] Eco-Cotton Blend Batting

Pellon[®] Perfect Loft[™] Cluster Fiber Fill

Table Stand (Optional)*

One 12-1/2" square

Small amount (optional)

One 12" x 14" stand

Supplies Needed:

Sewing machine and related supplies

Rotary cutter and related supplies

*Can be found at many local quilt shops or is available through www.artbyalexa.com

Instructions

Sew the 2" x 9-1/2" rectangles to either side of the quilt block using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seams towards the border fabric.

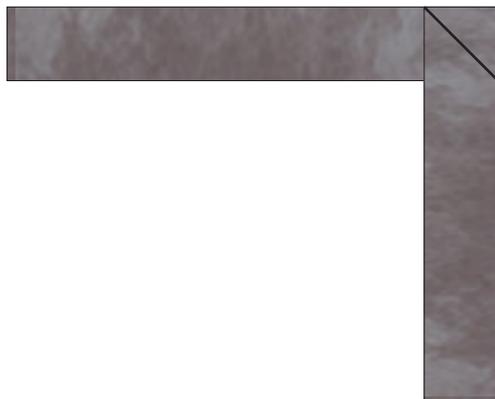
Sew the 2" x 12-1/2" rectangles to the top and bottom of the block using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seams towards the border fabric.



Place the quilt top and the back wrong sides together with the batting between. Quilt as desired.



Place the two 2" strips of the binding fabric right sides together at a 90° angle. Draw a line diagonally as shown at right. Stitch on that line. Trim corner off 1/4" from stitch line. Press seam to one side.



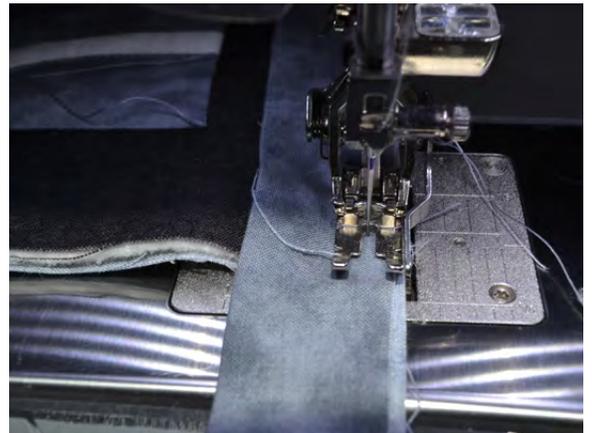
Fold binding strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together. Press. Cut selvage edges off the binding strip on both ends.



Cut one 10-1/2" piece from one end of the binding strip. Open the fold and turn the ends in 1/4" and stitch. Refold, center and place this piece on the back of the quilt at the top. Align raw edges. Baste using a 1/4" seam allowance.



Place binding approximately 2" from the corner along one side of the quilt (on the front of the quilt) leaving a 6" tail free. Align raw edges. Stitch using a 1/4" seam allowance until 1/4" from the end of the side as shown.



Stop with needle down. Lift presser foot and turn quilt 90° so the next side to be stitched is facing and stitched portion is towards the left. Backstitch off the edge of the quilt. Remove from the machine. Fold the binding up at a 45° angle as shown.



Fold the binding back down along the next side to be stitched. There will be a fold at the top edge. Line the fold up with the raw edge of the corner as shown. Start at the edge of the corner and continue stitching using a 1/4" seam allowance.



Continue stitching around the quilt, repeating the previous steps on the remaining three corners. Stop quilting when 7" from the start.



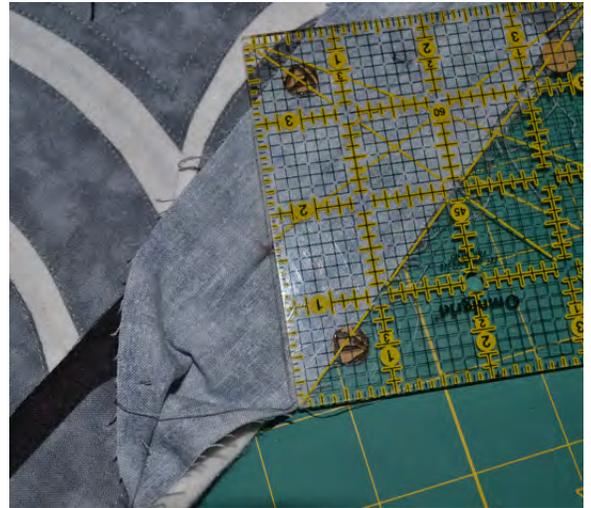
Fold the two ends of the binding as shown, leaving exactly a 1/4" gap between the two folds. Finger crease the fold. This 1/4" gap is very important so that the binding will fit perfectly on the side of the quilt.

Open the fold completely so that the wrong side of the binding is facing up. Make a small plus sign right where the two folds (the original fold on the binding and the fold just made) meet.



Place the 45° line on the ruler along the raw edge of the quilt. The straight edge should line up from raw edge to raw edge of the binding through the plus sign made as shown. Draw a line along the edge of the ruler. Cut the binding strip 1/4" outside that line.

Repeat these steps with the other end of the binding strip.

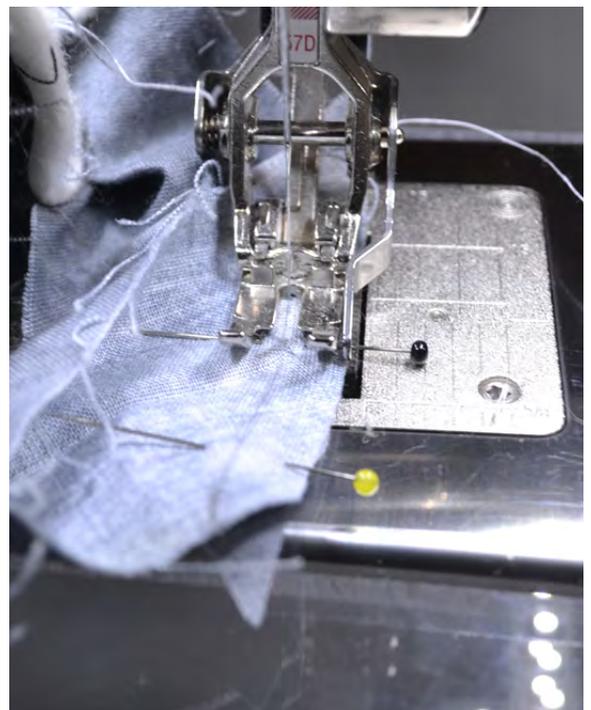


Place the two ends of the binding strip right sides together with the two lines matched up. Have the points stick out exactly the same amount on both sides of the binding. Pin at least 3 pins to hold the binding edges together.

NOTE: It may look like the quilt is 'buckled' but if a 1/4" gap was left when folding, the binding should fit perfectly against the quilt when finished.



Stitch along the drawn line. It should be a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seam in one direction. Refold the binding wrong sides together and align the raw edges with the edge of the quilt. Finish sewing the binding to the quilt.



Turn the binding to the back with the fold line on the sewn line. Place clips to hold it in place if desired. Applique the folded edge of the binding to the back of the quilt. Start in the middle of one side. When a corner is reached, finger press the miter of the binding as shown. Stitch to the edge of the quilt.



Left-handed Photo



Right-handed Photo

Fold the corner of the binding so it meets the seamline of the quilt. This will form a perfect miter. Applique the miter closed on the back of the quilt. Stitching the miter closed on the front of the quilt is personal preference.

Continue sewing the rest of the binding to the back of the quilt, repeating the steps for mitering the binding at each corner.

