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in the Middle*

T-Shirt Quilt

Skill Level: Beginner

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Repurpose old T-shirts and make memories at the same time. Each T-shirt quilt is one of a kind! Use your favorite shirts to create a custom quilt.

Materials Needed

12 Toddler T-shirts (4T- 5T) Graphic
4 yards 950F Shir-Tailor[®] Interfacing
Matching Thread

Fabrics Needed

2 yards Backing & Binding
1 yard of Legacy[™] Natural Cotton Batting NB-96

Tools Needed

10 ½" Square Omnigrip[®] Cutting Ruler
Quilting Pins
Steam Iron & Ironing Board
Rotary cutter and mat
Scissors
Universal Quilting Needle

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Cutting and Sewing Instructions

Cut t-shirts at side seams. Discard the back and lay the fronts flat.



Cut Pellon Shir-Tailor® interfacing into 12 1/2" squares, one for each shirt. Position interfacing with resin (rough) side down on the wrong side of each t-shirt and iron, following the manufacturers instructions to fuse with the back of the t-shirt squares.



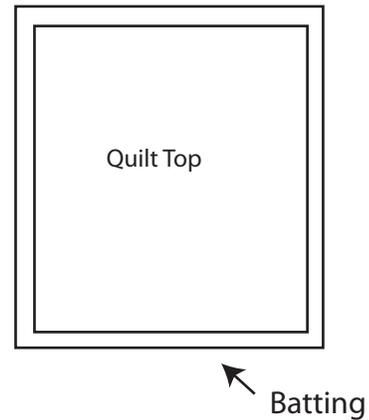
Use the rotary cutting ruler and rotary cutter to cut each lined t-shirt to 10 1/2" square blocks.



Place blocks three across and four down. Arrange as desired. Sew the blocks in rows, using a 1/4" seam allowance. Sew rows together, aligning intersections.



Place batting on table. Lay the quilt top on batting and smooth out. Cut batting 3" larger than quilt top on all sides. Open the backing fabric and press. Cut the backing fabric the same size as the batting.

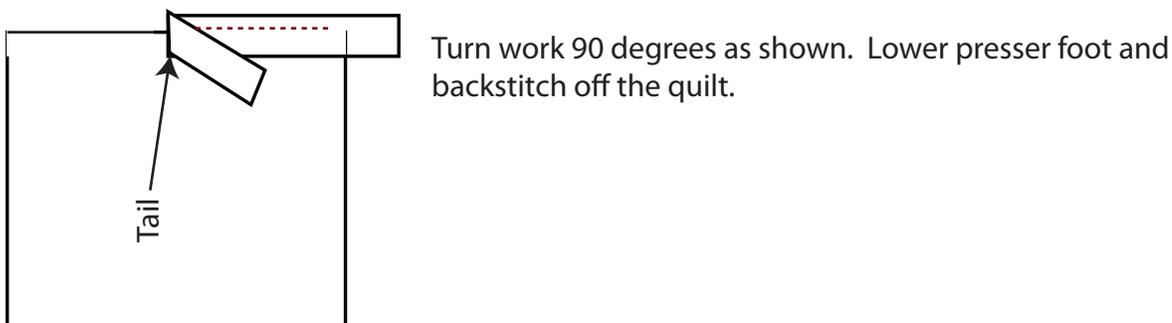
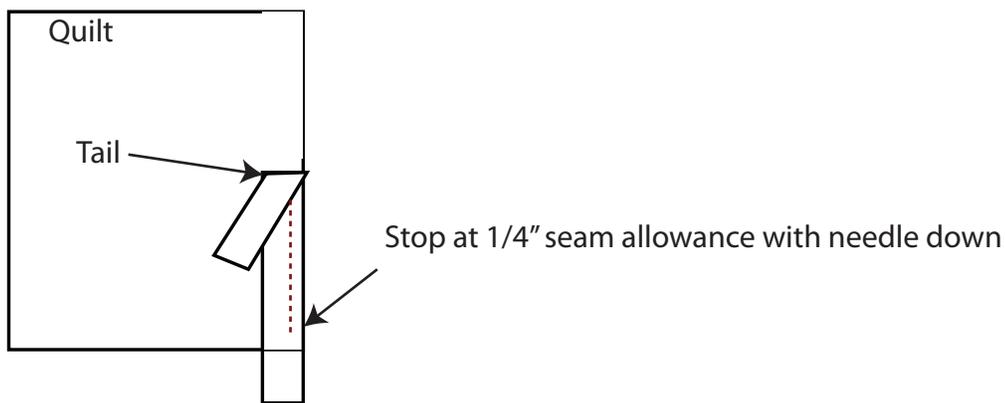


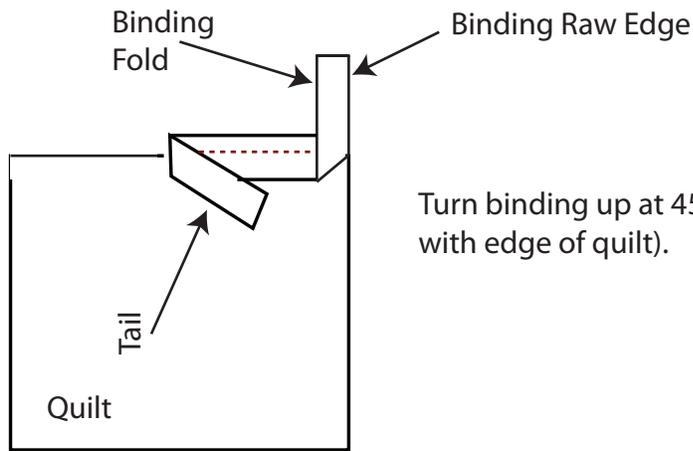
Placing backing fabric on table, right sides down. Lay the batting on the backing fabric and smooth carefully. Lay the quilt on the batting, right sides up and smooth. Pin all layers together. Quilt at least every 4" apart when using cotton batting. Machine quilting is recommended for T-shirt quilts.

See the general binding instructions to bind the quilt.

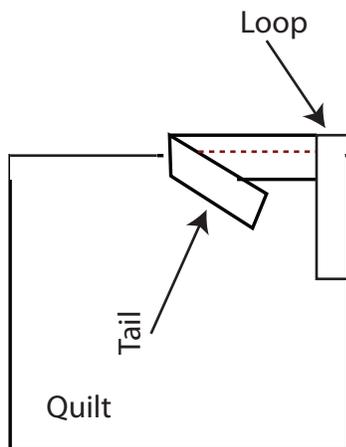
Binding

1. The number of strips is determined by the size of your finished quilt. Measure the number of inches in the perimeter (add the length of all sides of your quilt) + approximately 9". Cut strips 2 1/4" wide, crossgrain (the width of the fabric 40/44").
2. Join strips together as shown on "Piecing Binding and Borders Page". Create one long strip equal to the perimeter of your quilt + 9"
3. Fold your strips in half lengthwise with wrong sides together. Press gently.
4. Trim the edges of your quilt evenly leaving a 1/4" seam allowance.
5. Place the raw edges of the strip even with the edge of the quilt. Leave a tail (approximately 6") and then stitch in place to 1/4" away from the corner.





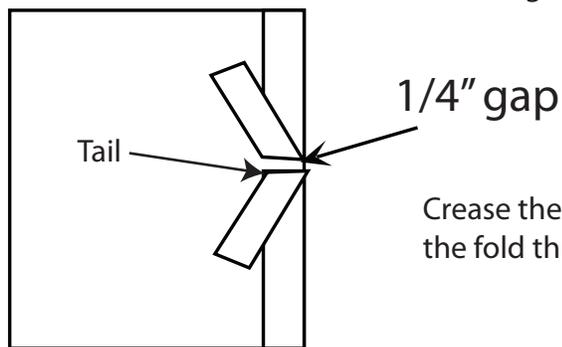
Turn binding up at 45 degree angle (it will line up with edge of quilt).



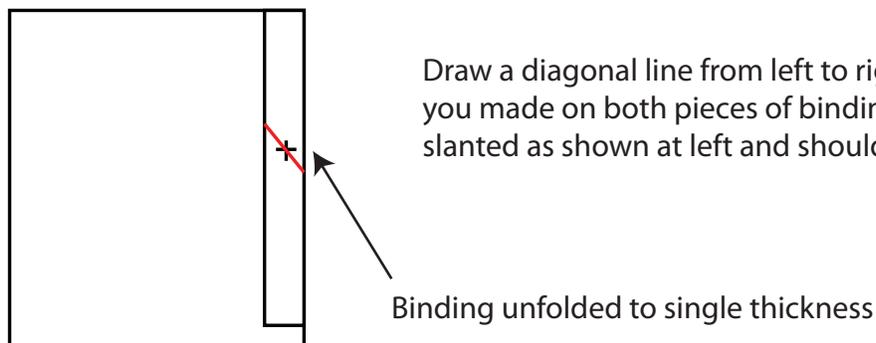
Fold binding straight down lining to the edge of the quilt as shown. It will have a loop at the upper right corner. Make sure that your loop lines up evenly with the raw edge of your previous side. top

Continue stitching the binding down until you finish all 4 corners and are 5-6" inches from your starting point.

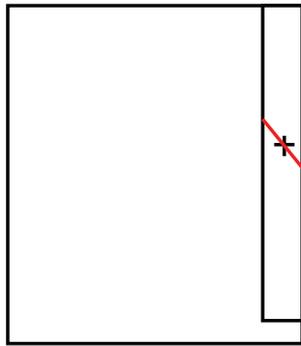
Fold the ends of the two pieces of binding so that there is a gap approximately 1/4" wide between the two pieces of binding (see diagram).



Crease the folds. Open the fold out and make a small cross on the fold through the halfway point of the binding.

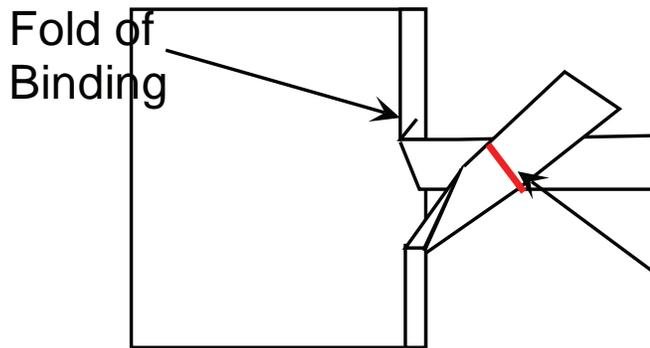


Draw a diagonal line from left to right through the cross you made on both pieces of binding. The lines should be slanted as shown at left and should be parallel to each other.



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Binding unfolded to single thickness



Pin the two ends of binding together matching the drawn diagonal line. Stitch.

Drawn line

After stitching the diagonal line, make sure your binding lies flat against your quilt. Then trim seam and press. Fold binding back in half and continue stitching.

Fold binding to back and stitch down.