

ADDING BORDERS TO AN ALREADY QUILTED QUILT

- Cut both border strips and backing strips for the top and bottom.
 - Pin border strip in place (right side to right side). Turn the quilt over and pin the backing strip in place. Stitch 1/4" seam through all layers.
 - Repeat on the opposite side. Leave the strips in place.
- Cut batting the width and length you need. The batting will be butted up against (not over-lap on) the edge of the batting of the quilt top. There is a sewing machine stitch that is 'wavy' which means stitches will go back and forth catching the batting then the other side (or border strip). These stitches should NOT go over into the seam allowance of the border/back strip. You may have to adjust the width and length. Practice on a scrap.
- Once stitched, finger press the border/backing over the batting. Do not use an iron as that will flatten out the batting both on the quilt top and the border.
- Repeat the process for the other sides.
- This is a good trick to know in case you made a quilt for a child and now the child wants the quilt to be bigger. Just remove the binding and add a border or borders.