

**All Quilts (including Challenge Quilts) entered into the show
must have a hanging sleeve.**

HOW TO MAKE A HANGING SLEEVE

Cut a piece of fabric the width of your quilt by 9". For example, if your quilt is 60 inches wide, cut a piece of fabric that measures 60" x 9."

Fold the side edges in 1" on both ends. Press. Fold the ends in again and press. Stitch to finish and secure the ends.

Fold the strip in half, and press to mark the center of the strip.

Fold each of the long raw edges, right sides of fabric facing out, to meet in the center. Press along both folds.

Pin the raw edges together, wrong sides together, and stitch a 1/4" seam. Press the seam open (a pressing stick helps with this task).

Lay the seam side of the sleeve against the back of your quilt. Line up the top crease along the binding of your quilt and pin to the quilt. Pin the bottom creased edge to the quilt. This will create a bulge in the center—do not smooth out the bulge. Hand stitch along the top and bottom creases, and the end pieces that lay on the quilt.

The back of the sleeve (portion against the quilt back) is intentionally shorter than the front. This will enable the hanging rod to take up the space without distorting your quilt or pulling the top of your quilt over the hanging rod.