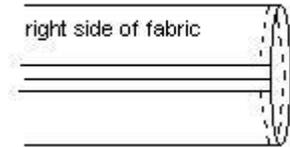
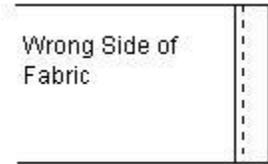


MAKING A ROD POCKET FOR YOUR QUILT (A)

1. Cut a 8½" strip of fabric the width of your finished quilt.
(Join strips if necessary).
2. Turn side edges under in two ¼" folds toward wrong side of fabric –
press and topstitch.
Finished length of pocket should be about 2" less than quilt width.
3. Fold the 8½" strip in half, wrong sides together and sew a ¼" seam.
4. Press seam open, centering seam allowance on the back side of the sleeve.
This seam allowance will lie against the quilt backing.
5. Sew sleeve onto quilt back by hand, stitching top long side to the quilt back
close to binding.
6. Lift rod pocket until even with top of quilt, then fold down creating a pleat.
Sew bottom of pocket to quilt back by hand.



This creates a fullness to the rod pocket to allow for about a 2" diameter round hanging rod.

MAKING A ROD POCKET FOR YOUR QUILT (B)

If you wish to incorporate your rod pocket into the top binding seam of your quilt, follow the above directions to the end of step # 2.

3. Fold the 8½" strip in half, wrong sides together and press.
4. Position rod pocket on the back of the quilt, along top edge of quilt, matching raw edge of rod pocket, edge of quilt.
At this point, I find it easier to baste the rod pocket to the quilt edge with a scant ¼" seam but that is optional.
5. Sew binding as you normally would, including the rod pocket in the seam.
When you turn the binding to the back the binding is sewn to the top of the rod pocket.
6. Lift rod pocket until even with top of quilt, then fold down creating a pleat. Sew bottom of pocket to quilt back by hand.

This creates a fullness to the rod pocket to allow for about a 2" diameter round hanging rod.

MAKING A ROD POCKET FOR YOUR QUILT (C)

This method uses just one layer of fabric

1. Cut a 4¾" strip of fabric the width of your finished quilt (join strips if necessary).
2. Turn side edges under in two ¼" folds towards the wrong side of fabric.
Press and top-stitch to finished edges.
Finished length of pocket should be about 2" less than quilt width.
3. On one long edge of fabric strip, fold under a ¼" of fabric and press. Top-stitch if desired.

4. Position the long raw edge of pocket fabric along top edge of quilt, matching raw edge of pocket with quilt.
5. Attach binding as usual, incorporating pocket fabric into binding seam.
6. Sew bottom folded edge of pocket to quilt back by hand. Remember to create pleat to allow for hanging rod.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

When hanging a large or heavy quilt, have a break in the sleeve in order to support the weight at the centre of the quilt. This works best if you do two sleeves and butt the ends at the centre of the quilt. If there is a large space between the sleeves at the centre, the quilt will droop at the centre when it is hung.

HANGING THE QUILT USING FLAT MOLDING

1. Cut a piece of flat wooden molding (1¼" x 3/8") the exact length of the rod pocket.
2. Insert screw eyes into ends of flat molding. Insert wooden into rod pocket. The quilt can then be hung on picture hangers fastened to the wall.
3. Once hung, the wood and the screw eyes should be hidden by the quilt edge.

