Finishing a Quilt Binding

No Rulers Required

Supplies needed: scissors, 2-4 binding clips, 2-3 straight pins, marking tool

Starting in the center of one side of the quilt, start to stitch down your prepared quilt binding.

Leave an 8-10" tail of unstitched fabric





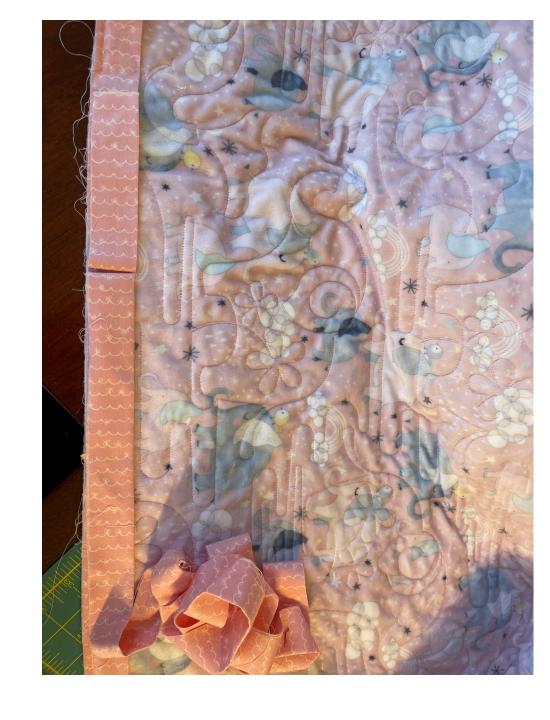
After attaching the binding around the quilt, stop stitching about 8-10" from your starting stitches.

You should have a tail at each end of the binding



Fold each of the tails back on itself with the folds touching in the center.

Make sure the center folds are touching!



Pick up the tail on the left side and cut along the fold line



Now take the portion of the tail that you cut off and open it out to lie flat.

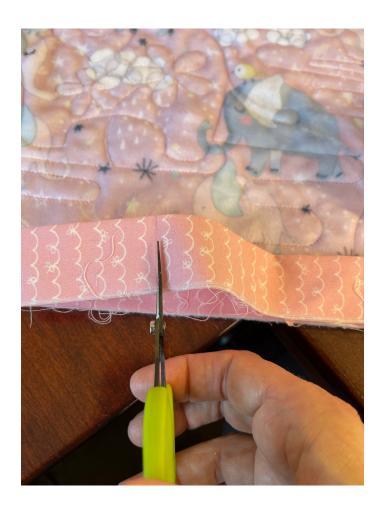
Place your open binding at a right angle to your right tail. Make sure the left side of the open binding is on the fold line of the right tail

Mark where the right side of the open binding piece touches the right tail





Cut the right tail off along your marking





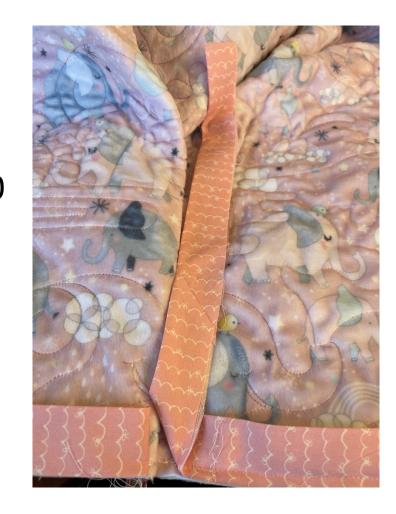
Fold the two sides of the quilt together so the stitched ends of the tails touch



Secure the folded edge with a clip



Lift the right tail straight up and turn it 90 degrees counterclock wise



Lay the tail down

Open up the binding, and bring it down to touch the top of the tail to the edge of the quilt with the right (correct) side of the tail facing up



Open the left tail binding so the wrong side is facing you



Place the end of the left tail at right angles to the end of the right tail with **right sides together**



Mark a diagonal line across the square formed where the two tails cross

Your line should go from the top right to the bottom left corner





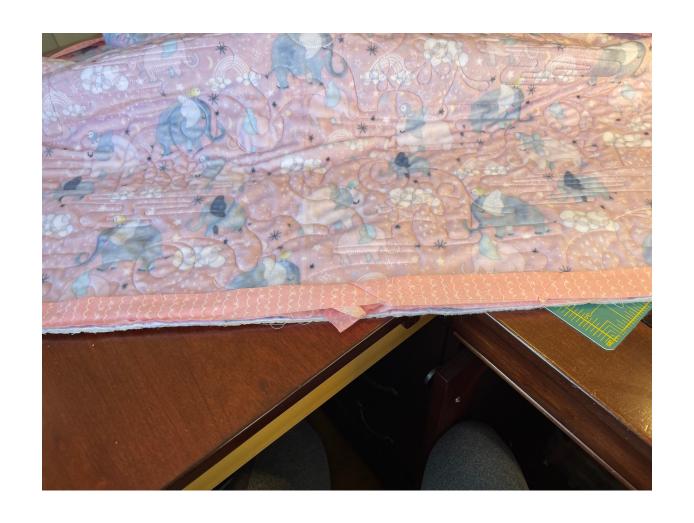
Stitch along the Diagonal line



Remove the clips and open up your quilt

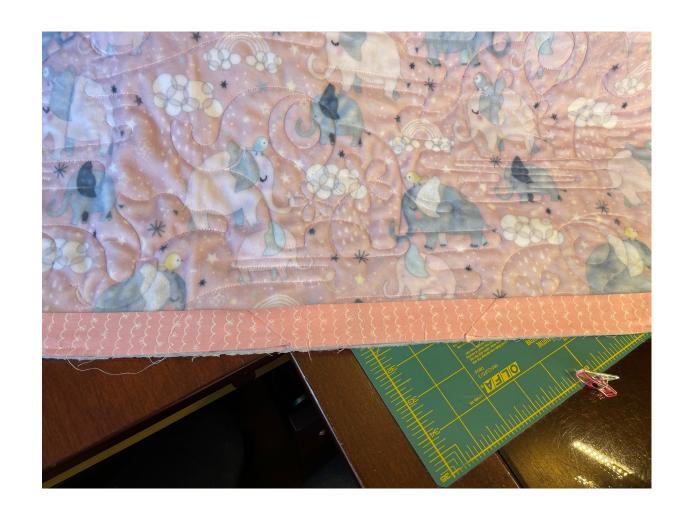
You should have a continuous binding all around the quilt

Trim excess fabric off where the two ends join



Stitch the remaining binding to the quilt.

You have finished attaching your binding!



ALL DONE!

