

## ADDING A HANGING SLEEVE

1 – Cut a 9”- wide strip (or piece multiple strips) of fabric equal to the width of your quilt top minus 2”. Press each end under  $\frac{1}{4}$ ”. Press under  $\frac{1}{4}$ ” again and stitch  $\frac{1}{8}$ ” from the folded edges as shown in Diagram 1.

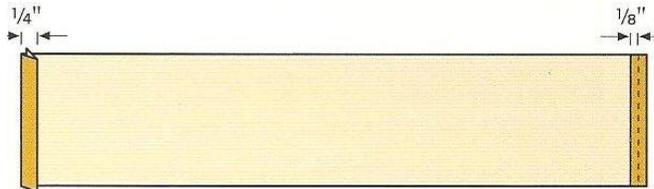


Diagram 1

2 – Fold the strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together. Pin it together at the ends and at several points in between. Press – as shown in Diagram 2.

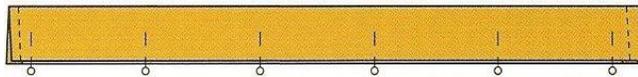


Diagram 2

**TIP:**

Press a small pleat in the hanging sleeve before hand stitching it to the backing. That will add some extra fullness to accommodate the rod so that the rod won't make a bulge on the front of your quilt when you hang it.

3 – Center the sleeve on the back of the quilt, aligning the raw edges with the raw edges of the quilt top. Pin in place and stitch by machine  $\frac{1}{8}$ ” from the raw edge. The top of the sleeve will be stitched again when the binding is applied, and the raw edges will be covered when the binding is folded over and stitched down.

4 – After binding, hand stitch the bottom edge of the sleeve to the quilt back. Be careful to catch only the backing and batting and leave the ends of the sleeve open.

