

# Borders

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- Measure quilt 3 times....top to bottom on the right, left and center
- Write these measurements down on a piece of paper
- Add the 3 measurements together and divide by 3. This is the average length of the border.
- Cut your side borders by this measurement.
- Fold quilt in half and place a pin. Now fold the quilt in  $\frac{1}{2}$  again and put a pin on each fold. You will have 3 pins at the top, repeat for the bottom.
- Now take the cut side borders and fold in  $\frac{1}{2}$  and again into quarters and place pins. You will have 3.
- Match the center pin on the quilt with the center pin on the border and pin. Match the sides and pin, and match the remaining 2 pins with the pins on the border. You may have "waves" or maybe not. This will depend on how accurate your piecing was.
- Now to sew these borders on, you will place the borders face down against the feed dogs. This will ensure that any "fullness" will be handled with the feed dogs. DO NOT use your even feed foot or dual feed system for this step.
- Repeat above steps for the top and bottom borders.

