

How to Make a Hanging Sleeve

Whether you call them rod pockets, quilt sleeves, or hanging sleeves, a simple fabric tube stitched to the back of your quilt makes hanging a quilt on the wall easy. Just slip a dowel or curtain rod through the fabric tube, and then hang the rod from wall hooks.

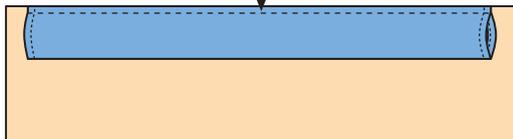
1. Using leftover fabric from the quilt backing, cut a strip 6" to 8" wide and 1" shorter than the width of your quilt. Fold the ends under 1/2", and then 1/2" again to make a hem. Stitch in place.



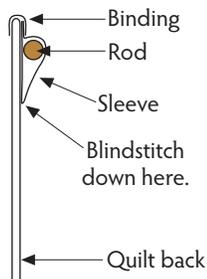
Fold ends under 1/2" twice.

2. Fold the fabric strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and baste the raw edges to the top of the quilt back. The top edge of the sleeve will be secured when the binding is sewn on the quilt.

Baste sleeve to top edge of quilt.



3. Finish the sleeve after the binding has been attached by blindstitching the bottom of the sleeve in place. Push the bottom edge of the sleeve up just a bit to provide a little give; this will keep the hanging rod from putting strain on the quilt.



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Push up about 1/4-1/2 inch when stitching the bottom of the sleeve to the quilt.