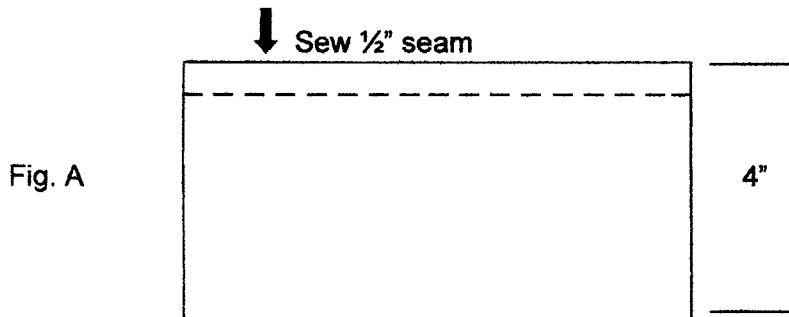


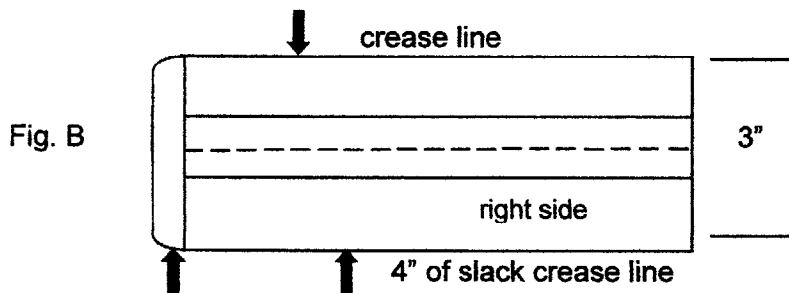
Tailoring a Sleeve for Your Quilt

Any quilt or wall hanging entered in the show should have a sleeve – tube of fabric – attached to the back, at the top, allowing it to be hung.

Cut a strip of fabric (muslin or other fabric) 8" wide and an inch longer than the quilt edge to which you'll attach it. Machine sew the long edges together with the wrong sides together, making a ½" seam (see Fig. A). Hem ends for a neat appearance.



Lay the tube on your ironing board so that the seam is up and centered. Press the seam open. Then press two crease lines, each 1½" away from the center seam. There will be 3" between the two crease lines closest to the long seam, leaving 4" of slack (see Fig. B).

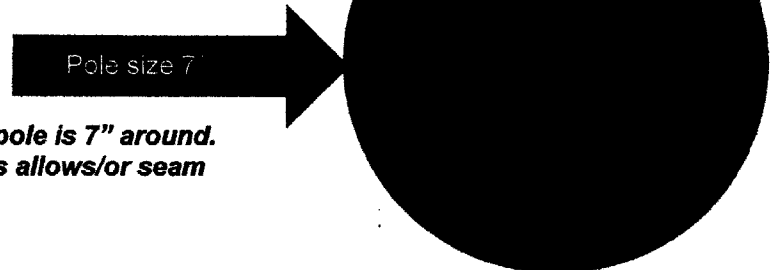


Place the seam side down and pin the top crease to the top back of your quilt, leaving about 1" between the top of the sleeve and the top of the quilt. Slipstitch the tube to the backing fabric. Sew along the tube's two creases, allowing the 4" slack to hang free. If you are hanging a large quilt, it is recommended that you make your stitches go through the front of the quilt to help support the quilt better.

NOTE: Sleeves must be sewn onto the quilt, NOT PINNED. All small and large quilts must have a sleeve sewn on that allows at least 3½" of space. SMALL AND LARGE QUILTS WITHOUT SLEEVES OR SLEEVES THAT ARE TOO NARROW WILL NOT BE SHOWN. Sleeves are not needed for the Mini Quilts.

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This is the size of the pole we hang your quilts on. The pole is 7" around. This is why we ask you to cut your sleeves 8" wide. This allows/or seam allowances and ease in hanging the quilt.