# Q10 Any last comments about binding?

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#	Responses	Date
1	Right to left hand stitching with the binding at the top.	6/21/2014 9:41 AM
2	I like attaching binding. I like the looks of "finished" things.	6/21/2014 6:33 AM
3	Probably my least favorite part of quilting.	6/21/2014 5:35 AM
4	Join your strips diagonally! It's so much nicer looking.	6/20/2014 10:49 PM
5	It's my favourite part of the process!	6/20/2014 9:31 PM
6	I enjoy it!	6/20/2014 8:15 PM
7	I am looking forward to the results!	6/20/2014 6:59 PM
8	No	6/20/2014 3:45 PM
9	I've made 10 quilts and by the binding stage I want something simple. I wish I still had the enthusiasm/stamina to do something fancy.	6/20/2014 3:13 PM
10	I hate hand sewing binding!	6/20/2014 1:00 PM
11	My goal is to try your matched binding methods!	6/20/2014 12:15 PM
12	One of my favorite parts, because it means I'm almost done!!!	6/20/2014 11:57 AM
13	Glue basting is your best friend when binding.	6/20/2014 10:18 AM
14	I am too impatient to hand sew. It's so close to the finish	6/20/2014 10:17 AM
15	I need practice :)	6/20/2014 9:57 AM
16	I love the binding process - it means the quilt is about done, and doing the final hand stitching means I get to sit with the quilt in my lap keeping me warm while watching a show or 2 - or 3.	6/20/2014 9:31 AM
17	Most of the time I'm saying to myself, "If I ever get done with these quilts in the first place, I might get to bind themone of these days."	6/20/2014 7:25 AM
18	One of my least favorite parts!!	6/20/2014 6:48 AM
19	Binding is still (second to sandwiching the quilt) my least favorite thing to do. I think at that point in the process I just want to "get it done" and I get a bit sloppy at times. But I'm working on it!	6/20/2014 6:28 AM
20	I love doing the hand stitching at night watching TV. If there is a quickly approaching deadline, I'll machine stitch using Sharon Shamber's glue basting technique.	6/20/2014 6:19 AM
21	My least favorite part of quilting I've got 6 quilts completely done except for the binding	6/20/2014 6:01 AM
22	I like the look of hand stitched binding but find machine binding to be a lot more sturdy. If I think my quilts will get a lot of use I machine bind else if it is going to hang on a wall, I hand bind.	6/20/2014 5:57 AM
23	The hardest part for me is attaching the ends. I want them on the diagonal but have only done it once, and that was with help from a very experienced quilter. Would like to improve this skill.	6/20/2014 5:46 AM
24	I press my binding when I finish by machine and I don't press when I finish by hand.	6/20/2014 5:27 AM
25	I'm trying to perfect machine binding but I'm struggling!	6/20/2014 4:59 AM
26	Binding is so important to the final look of a quilt. Don't be tempted to use 'any old thing'!	6/20/2014 4:32 AM
27	This is awesome. Thank you.	6/20/2014 4:21 AM
28	My binding has to be well filled; no empty, floppy bits And I would make single fold binding sometimes as well, depending on the project.	6/20/2014 3:59 AM
29	I want to try the Susie's favorite bing technique	6/20/2014 2:14 AM
30	I hate binding!	6/20/2014 1:29 AM

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31	I love making it!	6/20/2014 1:24 AM
32	love stripes cut on the bias	6/20/2014 1:08 AM
33	I have tried to machine stitch it down a few times (in which case I press it away from the quilt) but I always seem to miss bits when I'm sewing in the ditch from the front! I'll stick to hand sewing!	6/20/2014 1:05 AM
34	Sometimes I use packaged binding for small projects. There's a great tutorial for cutting bias with a rotary cutter at the slapdash sewist and it works great!	6/20/2014 12:22 AM
35	My binding seemed a bit big when I started quilting. Kind of waving. I never read anything about slightly pulling it while attaching it. I guess that just comes with practice.	6/19/2014 11:09 PM
36	did my first binding by bringing forward the backing fabric - finished by machine - not sure that I would do this very often.	6/19/2014 10:40 PM
37	I use the Ringle and Kerr method to machine attach my binding. After a lot if experimentation, I get the best results that way. For really special quilts I do hand stitch the back, but I sell a lot if my quilts, so the machine option is more efficient and I feel like it is more durable!	6/19/2014 10:39 PM
38	The choices for ironing/not ironing were worded in a way that felt limiting;-) I have ironed because I was taught to do that. I assumed you could do it without ironing, but that would be a lazy choice vs a wise choice. After chatting on IG with Sandie and others, I can see the value of not ironing it in half. For my next one, I am going to iron it flat, but not fold it over and iron it again. I will fold it and ease it over and see how it tums out. Good question!	6/19/2014 10:00 PM
39	i love everything about binding (making it, sewing to the front, hand sewing to the back), it's my favorite part.	6/19/2014 9:59 PM
40	I was just binding a donation quilt today and noticed someone else binding with only one strand of thread. I usually use two strands, but did it with one and really liked how it looked. Apparently others do this too and it is supposed to be as strong as double thread.	6/19/2014 9:37 PM
41	Binding is the least fun part of quilting but it's necessary.	6/19/2014 9:17 PM
42	When I first started binding, I got the distinct impression that machine sewing it was frowned upon. Now that I have made dozens of quilts, I realize I like the durability of it and the clean look when it is done well. I've also realized that modern quilting seems to be about what works, which may or may not break all the "rules."	6/19/2014 9:10 PM
43	I love binding. it's my favorite part of the process!	6/19/2014 8:32 PM
44	I don't like making it, but I like hand sewing it.	6/19/2014 8:26 PM
45	nope	6/19/2014 7:37 PM
46	I tried machine stitching a small project and was surprised how well it went but still love hand finishing	6/19/2014 7:36 PM
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48	I love machine sewn piped binding.	6/19/2014 7:25 PM
49	Just want it done so Im finished with the quilt.	6/19/2014 7:17 PM
50	It's one of my favorite steps in the process. A finish is near!	6/19/2014 7:16 PM
51	I've tried machine binding and can't make it look good. I like hand stitching and have decided it works best for me.	6/19/2014 7:13 PM
52	My favourite way to sew the binding is by machine to the front and then stitching in the ditch on the front, catching the binding on the back. Works every time!	6/19/2014 6:54 PM
53	I have finally found a way to get a decent mitre comer. Will be part of my tute.	6/19/2014 6:52 PM
54	I love attaching the binding! It gives me great satisfaction!	6/19/2014 6:49 PM
55	I love it!	6/19/2014 6:46 PM
56	Great survey and I love your blog. Both sewing and cooking are two of my favorite things to do.	6/19/2014 6:44 PM

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57	http://ratherbequilting-veronica.blogspot.com/2014/02/new-friends-new-ideas.html Sorry about this link being here, I couldn't get my iPad to stick it in the right block. Weird. Here is a link to the post I wrote about machine finished binding. I'm better at it, but it still isn't my favorite. Great for when I'm in a time crunch. Okay, maybe you can't get that link. I really should have done this on the computer. beccascrazyprojects.blogspot.com	6/19/2014 6:29 PM
58	I love it. I don't pin or clip mine down for hand stitching as I see many others do. I am curious as to why people do that - what is the advantage of doing so?	6/19/2014 6:24 PM
59	It actually one of my favorite parts of making quilts.	6/19/2014 6:01 PM
60	I don't dislike doing it, but it isn't my favorite part. But I love when it is finished because then the quilt is finished	6/19/2014 5:51 PM
61	I find that the right binding often is just the pizzazz needed to transform a "pretty" quilt into a "gorgeous" quilt.	6/19/2014 5:50 PM
62	It truly is almost my favorite part, its the last goodbye to a wonderful new friend or a hurried process to get the thing done!!	6/19/2014 5:43 PM
63	No	6/19/2014 5:42 PM
64	I've tried glue basting once but it was a mess	6/19/2014 5:40 PM
65	When I started quilting, I attached the top and bottom pieces first, then the sides, and ended up with squared off ends. I was surprised to learn that mitreing comers isn't that hard! I still want to try a faced binding.	6/19/2014 5:38 PM
66	Love doing it, it really gives the quilt a nice, finished look.	6/19/2014 5:32 PM
67	Love using de orative stitches to attach it to the front (sew on back first.	6/19/2014 5:31 PM
68	I think it is a really important part of the quilt. The wrong color can really ruin the whole quilt and the right one can really make the quilt outstanding!	6/19/2014 5:20 PM
69	I recently learned about glue basting the binding and it's a game changer!	6/19/2014 5:12 PM
70	No	6/19/2014 5:10 PM
71	I'm coming round to the idea of putting it on the quilt back first and then sewing it down along the top edge. You can get really close and it looks tidy!	6/19/2014 5:01 PM
72	I think hand sewing the binding is the perfect finish and so satisfying. But, hand sewing isn't for every project like the set of eight placemats I did!	6/19/2014 5:01 PM
73	It is best to have a straight quilt edge prior to binding and be sure binding is full of the batting.	6/19/2014 4:59 PM
74	I'm learning to hand bind. But I'm lazy. I know I should cut on the bias. But I don't love the look.	6/19/2014 4:54 PM
75	On small items I use a single fold binding and I have used a faced to the back binding too.	6/19/2014 4:43 PM
76	It's so satisfying to sit and hand stitch it on :-)	6/19/2014 4:34 PM
77	Attaching the ends on the bias is the worst part. I can never figure out how to do it. That's why I use a straight seam.	6/19/2014 4:30 PM
78	I like the look of hand stitched but argh, my hands don't need any more abuse!	6/19/2014 4:22 PM
79	I really do like binding it makes me feel like I have a magic trick up my sleeve!	6/19/2014 4:20 PM
80	Pressing after the first run of attaching made a huge difference to the neatness of my machine attaching. Also can overlock it at this stage.	6/19/2014 4:17 PM
81	I don't pin it first!	6/19/2014 4:08 PM
82	I HATE trying to attach them together once I get all the way around. I never get them to match perfectly.	6/19/2014 3:40 PM
83	I rarely get all four comers perfect! I also love using quilting thread to hand stitch with because it is stronger better than normal thread.	6/19/2014 3:32 PM
84	The coolest part of the quilt is the bindin	6/19/2014 3:30 PM

	About binding	
85	Since I machine bind, I attach my binding to the back and stitch it down on the front for a cleaner finish. Start to finish, it doesn't take me more than 2 hours to bind, including cutting strips! Usually less thought.	6/19/2014 3:12 PM
86	wanting to try knife edge bindingliking the look	6/19/2014 2:36 PM
87	I used to love stitching the binding to the back by hand but since I've gotten better with the machine method, I don't enjoy it anymore. I think it's more durable done by machine as well.	6/19/2014 2:30 PM
88	Nope, thanks for the fun survey Debbie!	6/19/2014 2:05 PM
89	I sew a diagonal line into the corners gets me a crisper corner. Can't wait to see what you do with this!	6/19/2014 2:01 PM
90	Binding was the hardest part for me to figure out, but now that I've mastered it, it is by far my favorite part and a rewarding finish!	6/19/2014 2:01 PM
91	I need to try hand sewing the binding down on the back, just to compare it to the machine sewn ones I have done so far, I have this idea that it will be a much nicer finish but I have been to anxious to finish my projects to actually take the time to learn the hand stitched way.	6/19/2014 1:59 PM
92	Yeah. Susie's Magic Binding came about because my older sister said I "did a crap job" on the binding on a quilt I made for her. That quilt burned up when their travel trailer caught on fire after a July 4th firework landed on it. No more quilts for THAT sister!	6/19/2014 1:50 PM
93	I used to hate it the most but now that I 'm good at it I love it!	6/19/2014 1:38 PM
94	I use glue to attach my binding before stitching. It works like a champ and washes right out! No pins, no clips, just glue.	6/19/2014 1:37 PM
95	It's one of my favorite parts of making a quilt!	6/19/2014 1:18 PM
96	It should be considered an option rather than a standard thing to do.	6/19/2014 1:08 PM
97	I wish I were better at being able to either machine finish the binding - there is one way where you machine bind and then the stitch is in the ditch on the other side. The harder way is being able to catch both edges with a 1/8 seam - I need practice on this one!	6/19/2014 1:08 PM
98	I used to only do by machine, but now I do it by hand	6/19/2014 1:00 PM
99	For wall hanging quilts I start to add the non visible binding because I can do that with the machine.	6/19/2014 12:58 PM