

Ribbon Border

12 inches by 14 inches finished
12 ½ inches by 14 ½ inches edge to edge

This is a very neat border on almost any quilt. It's simple to do, and turns corners very neatly! Just be sure to divide your border into an uneven number of 'slices'



Focus Fabric:

Cut one 8 ½ by 10 ½ inch rectangle

Light Gold Background:

Cut 19 - 2 ½ inch squares for connector corners

Cut 1 - 4 7/8 inch square cut on the diagonal, or 1 half square from a 4 ½ inch strip with an Easy or Half Square Triangle Ruler

Light plum

Cut 4 - 2 ½ by 4 ½ rectangles

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Dark Plum

Cut 5 - 2 ½ by 4 ½ rectangles

This border is done with all connector corners. Attach light gold connectors to opposite ends of each plum rectangle - But note the placement of the connectors.

Light Plum :

2 like this à



and 2 like this à



Dark Plum:

3 like this à



and 2 like this à



For the corner, Make one half square triangle - make sure the colours are in the right place!



Then apply the last connector corner to the plum side:

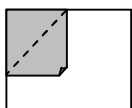


Lay the pieces out and sew the first five strips down the side of the focus fabric. Connect the remaining strips with the corner square and sew along the bottom of the piece.

If you are making a quilt like the sample - just set this one aside til next month.

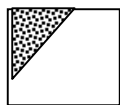
To enlarge this to fit your quilt, remember - the rectangles must be twice as long as they are wide, and the connector corners are the same size as the width of your rectangles. So if your quilt is 60 inches long and you decide that a 6 inch border would be nice, you would make 20 rectangles 3 ½ by 6 ½ inches, with connectors would be 3 ½. If your border doesn't fit exactly on the sides of your quilt - try adding a float on the inside to make it fit evenly, and add the same float to the outside. Your ribbon will then float along your border - and look spectacular!

Connector Corners:



Draw a line kitty corner across the back of your small connector square. Place this on the appropriate corner of your larger piece, right sides together. Make sure that the line that you drew is in the correct position relative to the corner.

Now, sew along that line.



Press the connector into the corner so that the right side of the connector is in the correct position on the base piece, then trim away the centre layer ¼ inch from the seam. Square up your piece. If your corner is much lighter than the background, you should leave the corner on so that the background doesn't show through.