



# Smithsonian Associates

## Edge Finishing Techniques

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You will try at least 6 ways to finish edges, either by finishing up orphan pieced blocks or using plain fabric.

- Self-binding
- Overstitching
- Pillow-casing
- Applied binding - straight and bias
- Inserting a flange
- Prairie points - a tricky new twist on a traditional favorite
- Corners - overlapped, folded, mitered, rounded

## **SUPPLY LIST**

*Prewashed* fabrics for at least 6 examples -

- 6 or more pieced blocks, 8" or larger OR practice squares
- Backing - quilting fabrics - enough for all blocks with 2" extra margin
- Binding materials - 1/8 yard fabric or assortment of 2 1/2" strips
- Batting - Quilter's Dream request or Dream Green - enough for blocks

Also needed:

- Thread - gray or neutral, or to match fabrics - Gutermann or similar
- Rotary cutter & mat
- 18"-24" acrylic ruler
- Square acrylic ruler (8"-12" range)
- Sewing machine in good order
- Sewing needles, hand
- Fabric scissors
- Straight pins
- Thimble

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