

# Two Friday Finishes and Binding Questions Answered

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I finished a baby quilt and a full sized quilt this week. I am supposed to have my star quilt UFO done but alas it is not finished...and Nell who challenged me doesn't have hers finished either. Let's shoot for March 1st. Maybe by then I'll have a few more "secret" projects off the list and I can do my own things then.

Here's the sneak peak at the magazine quilt....



..and here's a sneak peak of the baby quilt.



It's kind of sad to have accomplished so much yet I can't really show any of it!!

Both times I am binding by machine. I got lots of questions on how to do that. [Here is a tutorial I did long ago that answers many of those questions.](#) After seeing Judy at Patchwork Time's tutorial, I have changed the way I pin. I now put the pins in like Judy does. [You can see her video here.](#) I recently ran across a tutorial at Cluck, Cluck, Sew. She has yet another method that [you can see here.](#)

There are LOTS and LOTS of people who think binding by machine is a sin. Lucky for me, I am not one of them as I am not a fan of hand binding. I know many enjoy it. Honestly, by the time I done quilting a quilt...I am ready to be done with it. I get questions all the time from people asking how I can finish so many quilts...machine binding is one way. I can do a big queen sized quilt in under two hours.

I was also asked about what size of binding strips I use. On large bed or throw quilts that will be used a lot, I use 2 1/2 inch binding. On wall hanging I use single fold and only use 1 3/4" strips. Here is a [tutorial on how I bind wall hangings](#).

Everyone can bind however they wish...this is just me answering some questions that were asked.

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