

# How to join 'Quilt As You Go' blocks

## 1. Prepare the joining strips

- a. Cut 2 strips the same length as the blocks to be joined.
  - The strip for the **back** of the quilt is to be **1 1/8" wide**.
  - The strip for the **front** of the quilt is to be **1 3/4" wide**.
- b. Fold the wider strip, which is for the front of the quilt, in half lengthwise and press.

## 2. Pin and sew both strips to one block

- a. Pin the back strip (NOT folded in half) to the back of the quilt. Start pinning at the corners and ease in as necessary between the corners.
- b. Pin the raw edges of front strip (folded in half) to the front of the quilt. Start pinning at the corners and ease in as necessary between the corners.
- c. Sew both strips to the block in one pass, using a 1/4" seam allowance.

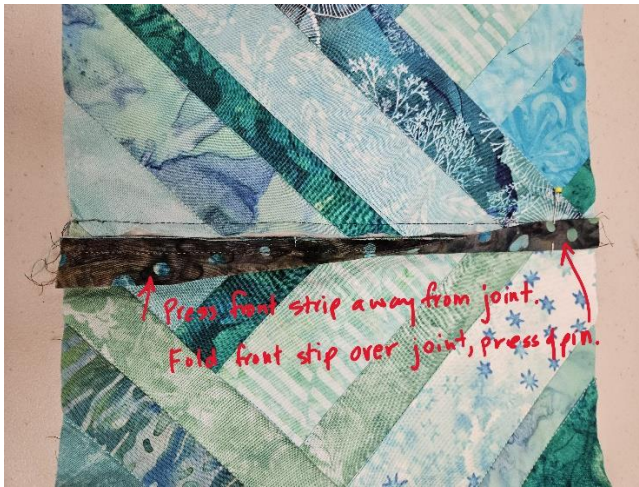


## 3. Add the next block

- a. Pin the back strip previously attached to block 1 to block 2. Start pinning at the corners and ease in as necessary between the corners.



- b. Sew using a 1/4" seam allowance.
- c. From the quilt front, press the front strip (the folded one) away from the joint, then fold the strip over the joint and press, then pin.

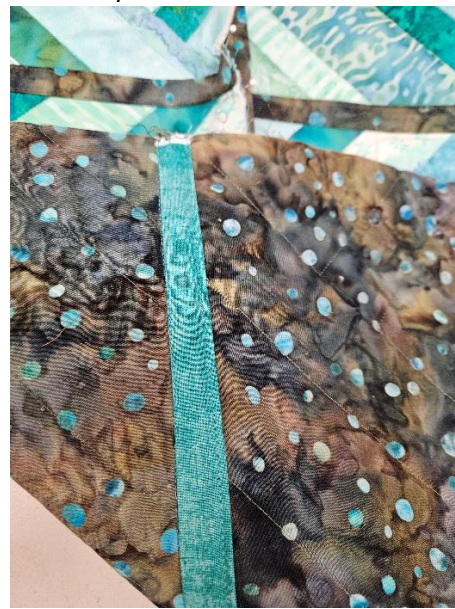


- d. From the quilt front, sew along both edges of the front strip, sewing close to the edges.

View of quilt front:



View of quilt back:



#### 4. Joining a section of joined blocks to another section of joined blocks.

Once you have a number of blocks joined using the steps above, for example you've joined all the blocks in two rows, and you're ready to join these two rows together, follow the steps above but cut the strips to be the length of the row of blocks to be joined.

## How to attach binding with no hand sewing

1. Sew binding to the **back** of the quilt, mitering the corners.
2. Fold the binding to the front of the quilt and use a **small amount** of school glue to anchor the binding in place. Press to set the glue.
3. Stitch from the quilt front, on the binding, close to the edge.