



## Best practices to get your quilt ready for the longarm

### For the top

- Make sure your top is square
- Snip all threads
- Iron all seams flat
- Iron your top with starch
- Check for any holes or loose seams
- Do NOT wash

### For the backing

- Wash and iron with starch
- Snip all threads after washing
- Make sure your backing extends at least **6 inches from each side** from the top. The longarm requires additional space at the top, bottom, and both sides to securely hold the backing.  
e.g. if your quilt top is 50 x 50  
your backing needs to be 62 x 62

### For the binding

- The binding must be exactly 1 3/4 inches wide
- Do not iron in half
- Sew diagonal seams
- Iron all seams into one direction (do not iron open)

