SEW EASY™ Making Bands

Strips are frequently sewn together to create a band, which you can cut into smaller segments.



1. To make a band, pair two strips with right sides facing and raw edges aligned. Stitch with 1/4" seam. Press flat to set stitches.



2. Fold top strip back and gently press seam open to one side. Band should be straight, without any distortion along outside edges.



3. Add third strip to complete band and press as described in previous steps.



4. Measure height of band to ensure it matches the required measurements. Aligning horizontal lines on ruler with long edge and seam lines of strip set, trim uneven end of strip set.



5. Keeping horizontal lines on ruler aligned with band, cut required width segments.



6. If making bands with more than three strips, join strips in pairs and then sew pairs together.

Products used: Havel's Self-Healing Cutting Mat, Havel's 45mm Rotary Cutter, and Havel's 6" × 24" Fabric Ruler.

Fabric from Garden Glory collection by Maja Ronnbeck and Abstract Collage collection by Ampersand, both for Paintbrush Studio Fabrics.

TIP If combining units from multiple bands, such as for a Nine-Patch block, press seams in bands in alternating directions to "nest" seams.