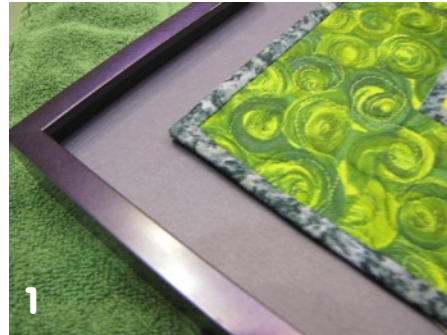


Frame Your Fiber Art

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I chose a purple mat and purple metal sectional frame for "Pear Still Life". This quilt art piece is dimensional so a deep rabbet will be needed. Shadow box frames work well or try metal sectionals. You might find some great impact colors from the custom framing department of your favorite craft/hobby store. **Do the work yourself!**

Using glass when framing textiles is personal preference. Textiles should not be placed directly under glass. Air space is needed between fabric and glass to prevent moisture from collecting inside the frame, which can cause mildew or water marks. Use conservation glass to prevent fading. Always choose acid-free matting and mounting materials for fabric art work.



1. This quilt is approximately 13" x 17". Allowing 1 1/2" mat space all around the quilt, purchase an 16" x 20" mat and frame. Use a metal sectional frame or a standard 16" x 20. Use acrylic spacers (custom framing section of craft/hobby store) between the glass and the mounting board.

2. Allowing 1/4" for the binding, draw a line 1 3/4" around the inside of the mat.

3. Place mat on a towel; use a nail to punch holes 1/2" along this line.

4. Place quilt on the front of the mat. You may need to anchor the corners with a T-pin.

5. Use a sturdy needle and heavy thread (hand quilting thread works). Tape the thread on the back of the mat and bring the needle to the front. Take a stitch through the back of the quilt and through all layers except the front. Go back down through the same hole; then on to the next hole. Continue sewing; pull the thread taut every few stitches until you have sewn all around.



6. Secure your stitching with acid-free artist's tape on the mat back.

7. Sign your fiber art work on the mat, add an 16" x 20" backing board (foam core board works well) and put your frame package together.

