

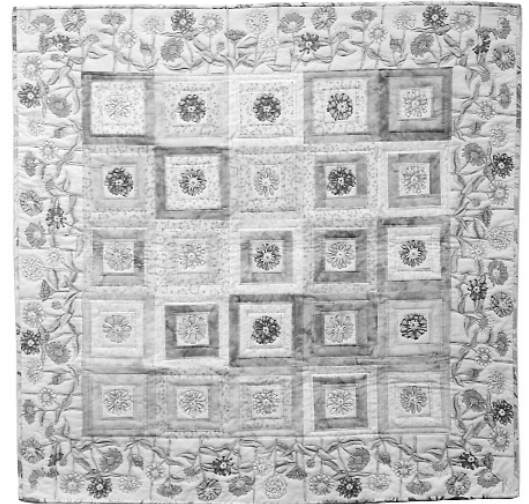
FLOWER BOX

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Finished size 39" x 59 1/4"

Log Cabin quilts are one of the easiest quilts to make. They work well when scrappy, with one fabric on one round of the block and another fabric on the second round. We have used eight different fabrics in the rounds of the block for a variety of color in this quilt. Our center is a flower, fussy cut from the "theme" fabric.

The theme fabric is the basis of the eight other fabrics selected for the logs. The first four logs (B, C, D, and E) which are sewn onto the center square will be all from one fabric, making the first round. The second round the next four logs (F, G, H, and I) are all made from a second fabric. The border takes advantage of the stripe fabric.



Basic Log Cabin Sizing, Yardage Requirements, and Cutting

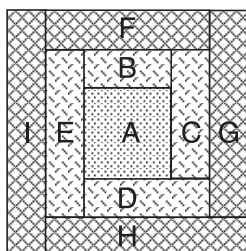
(all measurements based on accurate cutting, 1/4" seam allowance, and 42" wide strips)

	Baby Throw	Crib
Finished Size	45 3/4" x 45 3/4"	39" x 59 1/4"
Block Layout	5 x 5	4 x 7
Total # of Blocks	25	28
YARDAGE		
Centers and border	1 5/8 yards A - cut 25 - 3 1/4" x 3 1/4" squares border -- cut 5 - 6 1/2" x 42" strips	1 2/3 yards A - cut 28 - 3 1/4" x 3 1/4" squares border -- cut 6 - 6 1/2" x 42" strips
First Round - B, C, D, and E and Second Round - F, G, H, and I	1/3 yard each of 8 fabrics	1/3 yard each of 8 fabrics
Backing	2 3/4 yards	1 7/8 yards
Binding	3/8 yard	1/2 yard

Cut each of your eight fabrics into 1 1/2" x 42" strips.

Cut a first round set (B, C, D, and E) from one fabric. Cut as many sets as you need, using a variety of fabrics and cutting the first round set all from one fabric.

Repeat for the second round set (F, G, H, and I).



Block Diagram

FOR THE FIRST ROUND SETS CUT:	Baby Throw	Crib
B - 1 1/2" x 3 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
C - 1 1/2" x 4 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
D - 1 1/2" x 4 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
E - 1 1/2" x 5 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
FOR THE SECOND ROUND SETS CUT:		
F - 1 1/2" x 5 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
G - 1 1/2" x 6 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
H - 1 1/2" x 6 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28
I - 1 1/2" x 7 1/4"	Cut 25	Cut 28

Cutting Instructions

To cut the centers for the blocks, use the center squares fabric and referring to the table for your chosen size, cut the required number of $3\frac{1}{4}'' \times 3\frac{1}{4}''$ squares.

Cut the log fabrics into $2'' \times 42''$ strips.

Sewing Instructions

1. To make the blocks, lay B on top of A, stitch along one edge using a $\frac{1}{4}''$ seam allowance. Figure 1. Press seam allowance toward B. Layer AB and C right sides together. Figure 2. Feed the layers through the sewing machine. Press toward C. Continue this process, completing the two rounds. Figure 3 and Figure 4. To speed up the process you can construct several blocks at once, feeding one after the other through the machine. Unfinished size of the blocks is $7\frac{1}{4}'' \times 7\frac{1}{4}''$.

2. Arrange as shown and stitch together in rows. Join row 1 to row 2, etc.

3. Sew the border strips together into one lengthwise strip. For the baby throw cut 4 - $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 47''$ (could be a bit longer since these are for the mitered border), and for the crib size cut 2 - $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 39\frac{1}{2}''$ for the top and bottom borders and 2 - $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 59\frac{1}{2}''$ for the side borders (again, these could be a bit longer since you are mitering the corners).

4. To add the lengthwise border strips, mitering the corners, mark the center of each side with a pin. You need to have at least $6\frac{1}{2}''$ fabric overhang on both ends of each strip to allow for mitering the corners. Figure 5. Fold the four lengthwise border strips in half and place a pin at the center mark. Line up the centers and sew the strips to the quilt top, starting and stopping $\frac{1}{4}''$ from the raw edges.

5. To form the mitered corner, lay the quilt top on the ironing board. On the corner fold under the top fabric as shown at a forty-five degree angle. Figure 6. Press. Lift up the top edge and pin the two border fabrics together. Turn to the wrong side and stitch on the fold line from the inside of the corner out. Trim the seam allowance to $\frac{1}{4}''$. Repeat for all four corners. Press.

6. Layer, quilt, and finish the quilt.

Figure 1

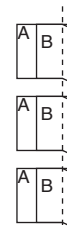


Figure 2

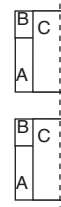


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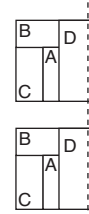
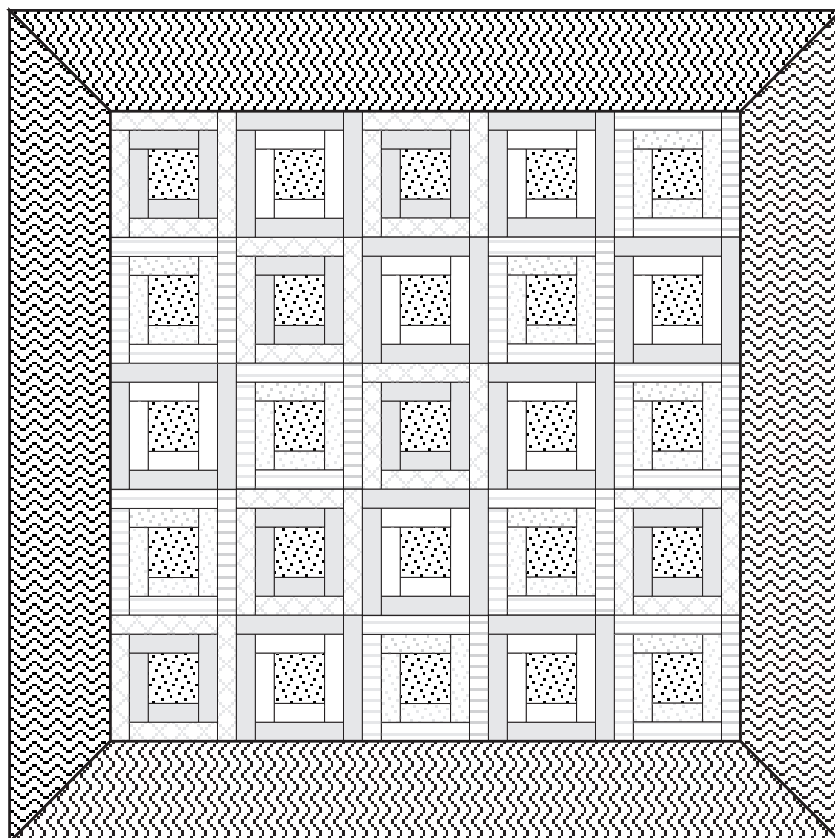


Figure 4



Quilt Assembly Diagram
illustration of baby throw

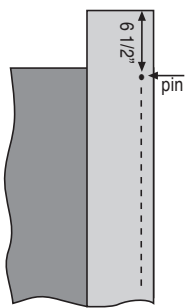


Figure 5

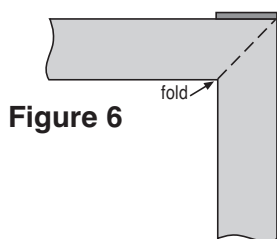


Figure 6