

*The colors of the rainbow, so pretty in the sky
Are also on the faces of people going by
I see friends shaking hands, saying how do you do
They're really saying, I love you*

The blocks in this series are all based on basic Log Cabin principles
This is the third block, a log cabin block with a flare

Fabric Requirements:
Refer to cutting pieces detailed below

White (solid or patriotic pattern on white)
5 different white fabrics

Blue (solid or patriotic pattern on blue)
4 different blue fabrics
Fabrics should have contrast

Red (solid or patriotic pattern on red)
4 different red fabrics
Fabrics should have contrast

The red and blue fabrics should be placed with the lighter fabrics towards the middle

Finished size of block:

18½" X 18½"

All seam allowances:

Scant ¼"

For reference:

Fat Quarter = 18" X 21"

Fat Eighth = 9" X 21"

Eighth of a Yard = 4½" X 40"

WOF = Width of Fabric



Cutting The Pieces:

White (solid or patriotic pattern on white)

White # 1 • (1) - 2½" X 2½" square

White # 2 • (2) - 2½" X 6½" strip

White # 3 • (2) - 2½" X 10½" strip

White # 4 • (2) - 2½" X 14½" strip

White # 5 • (2) - 3½" X 20½" strip

Blue (solid or patriotic pattern on blue)

Blue # 1 • (1) - 2½" X 2½" square

Blue # 2 • (1) - 2½" X 6½" strip

Blue # 3 • (1) - 2½" X 10½" strip

Blue # 4 • (1) - 3½" X 15½" strip

Red (solid or patriotic pattern on red)

Red # 1 • (1) - 2½" X 2½" square

Red # 2 • (1) - 2½" X 6½" strip

Red # 3 • (1) - 2½" X 10½" strip

Red # 4 • (1) - 3½" X 15½" strip



Arranging the Pieces

Arrange the pieces as shown to the right

Sew together in the order shown in the diagram

Sew White # 1 to Blue # 2, then sew White # 1 to Red # 3

Then attach → White # 4 & 5 to the sides

Then → Blue # 6 to the top, and Red # 7 to the bottom

Then attach → White # 8 & 9 to the sides

Then → Blue # 10 to the top, and Red # 11 to the bottom

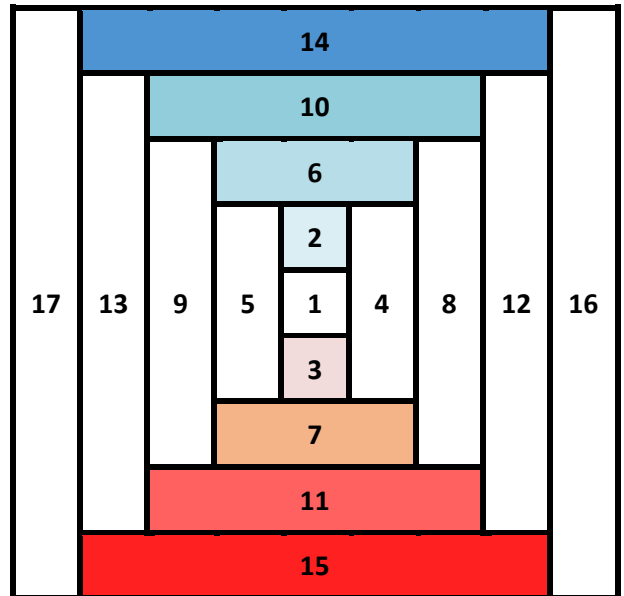
Then attach → White # 12 & 13 to the sides

Then → Blue # 14 to the top, and Red # 15 to the bottom

Then attach → White # 16 & 17 to the sides

Press all seams away from the center patriotic square

Some of the sewing steps in process:



Completing the Block

No all-around borders on these big blocks

Imagine how fast a quilt could be put together making these big blocks

Ultimately, these blocks will be trimmed to 18½" squares

The pieces on the outside edges of the blocks are made a little wider so that all the blocks we receive can be trimmed to the same size / Because everyone's ¼" seams are different, the blocks always vary in their unfinished sizes

