

*I see skies of blue, and clouds of white
The bright blessed day, the dark sacred night
And I think to myself, what a wonderful world*

The blocks in this series are all based on basic Log Cabin principles

This is the second block, the simplest log cabin block ever

Finished size of block: 18½" X 18½"

Fabric Requirements:

Blue = 3 different shades of blue

Red = 3 different shades of red

Patriotic fabric = 7½" Square

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:

Patriotic fabric • (1) - 7½" X 7½" square

Blue (solid or patriotic pattern on blue) Fabrics should have different tones

Blue # 1 • (1) - 4½" X 11½" strip

Blue # 2 • (1) - 4½" X 15½" strip

Blue # 3 • (1) - 5½" X 20½" strip

Red (solid or patriotic pattern on red) Fabrics should have different tones

Red # 1 • (1) - 4½" X 7½" strip

Red # 2 • (1) - 4½" X 11½" strip

Red # 3 • (1) - 5½" X 15½" strip



Arranging the Pieces

Arrange the pieces as shown to the right

Sew together in the order shown in the diagram

Sew the Center Patriotic Square to Red # 1

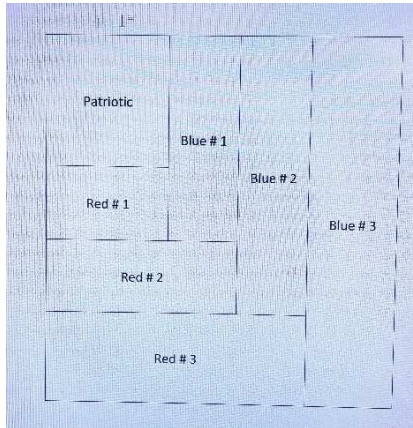
Then attach → Blue # 1

Then → Red # 2 → Blue # 2

Then → Red # 3 → Blue # 3

Press all seams away from the center patriotic square

Some of the sewing steps in process:



Completing the Block

No 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

