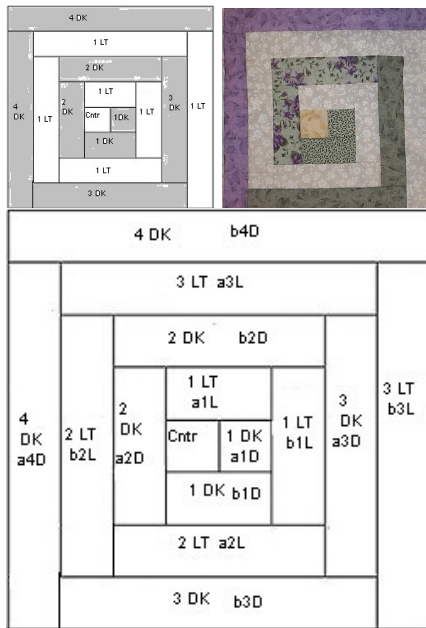




Log Cabin Variations 9

Spiral Log Cabin

12" finished block, 12 1/2" unfinished block.



- Sew seams away from the center piece.
- Sew scant 1/4" seam allowances, do not open seams.
- Press seams away from center.

Colors & Size of pieces: Cutting measurements

Sewing Order: (Lights are all one color)

Center: 1 square, Yellow 2" x 2"

1st Dark, a1D Green Multi Colored Leaf = 2" x 2" (*Cntr Right*)

1st Dark, b1D Green Multi Colored Leaf = 2" x 3 1/2", (*Bottom*)

1st Light, a1L Cream Leaf = 2" x 3 1/2" (*Top*)

1st Light, b1L Cream Leaf = 2" x 5" (*Right*)

2nd Dark, Tiny Green Leaves a2D = 2" x 5" (*Left*)

2nd Dark, Tiny Green Leaves b2D = 2" x 6 1/2" (*Top*)

2nd Light, (a2L) Cream Leaf = 2" x 6 1/2" (*Bottom*)

2nd Light, (b2L) Cream Leaf = 2" x 8" (*Left*)

3rd Dark, Purple Floral Green (a3D) = 2" x 8" (*Right*)

3rd Dark, Purple Floral Green (b3D) = 2" x 9 1/2" (*Bottom*)

3rd Light, (a3L) Cream Leaf = 2" x 9 1/2" (*Top*)

3rd Light, (b3L) Cream Leaf = 2" x 11" (*Right*)

4th Dark, Green Leaves (a4D) = 2" x 11" (*Left*)

4th Dark, Green Leaves (b4D) = 2" x 12 1/2" (*Top*)

Hints: This is a more difficult block. But here are some hints to help.

1. Center and 1Dark A1D piece become the new center for Courthouse Steps method (sew in "+" sign).
2. Sewing Order changes on each rotation around centers. (Last word above, new rotation between lines).
3. Sew 2 pieces a & b of each color consecutively. (Different sizes).
4. Each same size piece, changes color. (2 equal sides, opposite each other).
5. Follow spiral. The short side of lights or darks points to next piece of that color to be sewn.

Sewing:

1. Pre-cut fabrics if desired.
2. Lay out strips or pieces in order of use above.
 - a. Place 1st Dark face up, trim Dark and attach to center square face down.
 - b. These 2 small 2" pieces are now the considered the center.
 - c. Using remaining 1st Dark face up, pick up last piece sewn, lay it down onto strip and sew.
 - d. This is the beginning of the "+" starting at the bottom.
3. Sew opposite sides of center in order above, switching colors with each same size piece.
 - a. Note that with each "+" around the center the order changes slightly. This is done for ease in piecing. Sew 2 pieces of each color before changing to the next color, yet still keep the spiral pattern. This forces the rotation to change.
 - b. Sew through block. 1st rotation around 2 center pieces = Bottom, top, right, left. 2nd rotation = Top, bottom, left, right. 3rd rotation = Bottom, Top, right, left. Extra 4th dark on top.
 - c. The last piece of the color (white) points to the place of the next piece (white), forming a spiral from the center out.