

Soddy House

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Out here in Nebraska not so long ago, Soddy Houses were a way of life. We pay homage to the prairie and our pioneer ancestors with this wonderful little quilt.

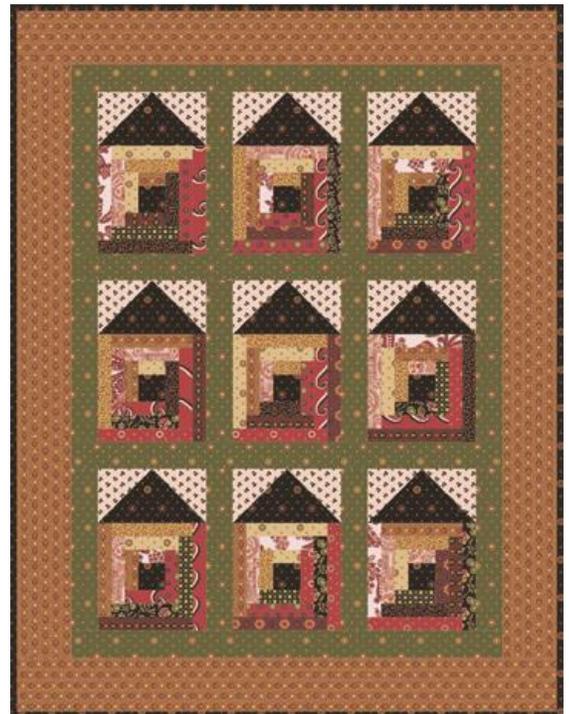
Finished Size

Quilt – 20” by 26”

Finished Block Size: 4” by 6”

Fabric Requirements

Background	1/4 yard
Log cabins	Scraps to equal – 1/2 yard
Roof & Center Block	1/4 yard
Sashing	1/4 yard
Border	1/4 yard
Binding	1/4 yard
Backing	7/8 yard



Cutting

1. From the background fabric cut:
20 2-7/8” squares
2. From the log scraps, cut 1” strips.
3. From each roof and center block fabric, cut:
12 1-1/2” squares
3 5-1/4” squares
4. For the sashing cut:
6 1-1/2” by 6-1/2” strips
2 1-1/2” by 20-1/2” strips
5. For the border cut:
2 2-1/2” by 16-1/2” strips
2 2-1/2” by 20-1/2” strips
6. For the binding, cut 3 strips 1-1/4” wide by width of fabric.

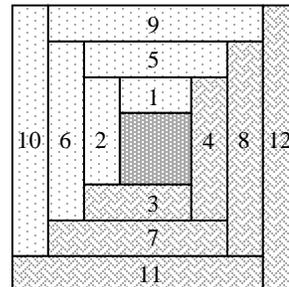
Log Cabin Blocks

You will make a total of 9 Sunshine & Shadows log cabin blocks; unfinished size is 4-1/2" by 4-1/2". Use lots of different fabric strips to give these blocks a scrappy look. Numbers in parentheses below match the numbers in the block diagram.

Note: If you use the sashing fabric for some of your logs, be sure to avoid using them in the outer logs of the square!

For each block:

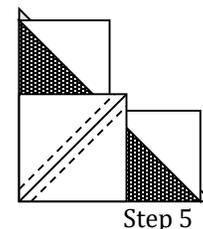
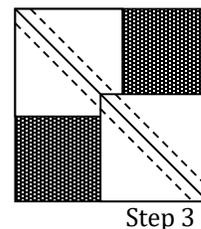
1. Start with a center square.
2. Stitch a light strip (1) 1" by 1-1/2" to the top of the block.
3. Stitch a light strip (2) 1" by 2" to the left side of the block.
4. Stitch a dark strip (3) 1" by 2" to the bottom of the block.
5. Stitch a dark strip (4) 1" by 2-1/2" to the right side of the block.
6. Continuing on around the block counterclockwise, stitch these strips:
 - 1" by 2-1/2" light strip (5)
 - 1" by 3" light strip (6)
 - 1" by 3" dark strip (7)
 - 1" by 3-1/2" dark strip (8)
 - 1" by 3-1/2" light strip (9)
 - 1" by 4" light strip (10)
 - 1" by 4" dark strip (11)
 - 1" by 4-1/2" dark strip (12)



Flying Geese Roof Blocks

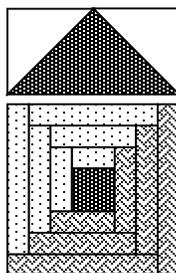
You will make 3 no-waste flying geese units, for a total of 12 flying geese blocks; you will only use 9 of these. For each no-waste flying geese unit:

1. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the smaller background squares.
2. Align two of the small squares on opposite corners of the larger square.
3. Stitch a scant 1/4" from each side of the drawn lines.
4. Cut apart on the drawn line and press toward the small triangles.
5. Place one small square on each of the cut pieces and stitch a scant 1/4" from each side of the drawn line.
6. Cut along the drawn line and press toward the smaller unit.



Make the Soddy House blocks:

For each block, stitch a flying geese rectangle to a log cabin block; be sure to keep all the light and dark sides going the same direction.



Complete the Quilt

Note: the finished quilt is shown below.

1. Arrange the blocks as desired in 3 rows of 3 blocks each, inserting a sashing strip between each of the blocks in the rows.
2. Stitch rows together, inserting a sashing strip between each row to form the quilt top.
3. Stitch the side sashing strips to the sides of the quilt top.
4. Stitch the top and bottom sashing strips to the top and bottom of the quilt top.
5. Stitch a side border strip to the each side of the quilt top.
6. Stitch a top and bottom border strip to the top and bottom of the quilt top.
3. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing and quilt as desired.
4. Piece the binding strips and bind quilt using single fold binding.

