

Block of the Month: April 2017

Feeling the Blues

How about a 1/4 Log Cabin in blues with a touch of color this month? These are not precise instructions but rather explaining the method - a great use for your blue scraps and to make it your own. Pull out a bit of white fabric, strips of blue, and a strip of blue with some color - avoid stripes and plaids. This is a great strip scrap buster. Looking forward to seeing the design wall at the April meeting with these blocks as they can be arranged in so many different ways.

FABRICS NEEDED

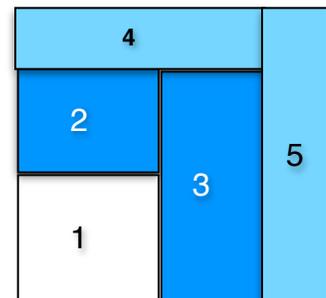
White fabric: Use one square any size from 2"x2" to 3"x3"

Blue fabrics: Use light, medium and dark blue fabrics (as Mac said at the February meeting, value is more important than fabric). You need 5 to 7 strips of blues in width from 1" to 2 1/2" and length starting to fit around two sides of the white square to 23". One of these strips should have some color other than blue.



INSTRUCTIONS:

- Layout the white square and all the strips in the order they will be sewn. Remember to change the value for each log.
- Start sewing a strip to the square. Press seam. Trim end of the strip (I used the full length strips and trimmed them down). Then use the same fabric and sew it on the adjoining side. Press. Trim if needed.
- Continue in this way, sewing two strips of blue on each of these sides, building your quarter log cabin. Press after each seam and trim as needed. Make sure to sew the next colored log first onto the same side, and the second onto the second side. (see numbers to the right to show sewing sequence).
- Remember to add one strip that has blue background with some color for that extra punch.
- Continue until your square is just over 11" x11" so that you can trim it to an exact 11"x11" or bring it oversized.



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Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. So if you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on April 3, 2017. More info on the BOM on our [web site](http://www.mpgg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/) at www.mpgg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/