

Why tutorials?

There is usually more than one way to achieve the same finished units in quilt blocks. Most pattern writers give instructions for the easiest method to write, not necessarily the most fabric conservative nor easiest to sew.

Once you know how to re-interpret a written pattern you can adapt many patterns to your favorite methods.

Cutting:

If you'd like to try some or all of Barb's conversion tricks, DO NOT CUT OUT THE WHOLE QUILT in the beginning! The necessary cutting is provided with each tutorial.

If, however, you choose to make Christmas Village exactly as it is written, proceed with following all the instructions in the pattern and sew at your own pace.

Accuquilt users:

Some shapes must be cut with templates or a rotary cutter. The Go! Dies used, when applicable, will be listed in each tutorial.

What will the tutorials include?

The tutorials will include time saving tips, fabric saving methods and tips for using helpful tools. Cutting charts and correlating pattern page numbers will be included.

Tutorial schedule:

Tutorials will be available on Mondays by 5 pm Pacific time starting Nov 3rd and continuing until Dec 8th.

See below for the detailed tutorial schedule.

No time to sew this fall? Collect everything now and start in the new year!

Date	Topics covered	Specialty tools	What you'll make
Nov 3	-Tricky Trees -Less waste cutting -Folded Corners Bonus: Leftover Triangle Stars	-Folded Corner Clipper -Magic Triangle Ruler -Flat head pins	(11) tree blocks Bonus: 3" Ohio Star block
Nov 10	-Thrifty Cutting -Strip pieced chimneys -Enlarge the quilt size with Scrappy Borders	Optional: 4 panels of Tensisters border interfacing. (2")	Cut all sashings Cut all tops of houses Make (19) chimney units Start scrappy borders
Nov 17	-Log Cabin -Houses by the batch -Using Templates	-Charming Log Cabin Ruler -Freezer paper	(3) Log Cabin House blocks (4) little tree blocks
Nov 19	SEW DAY	Get started or get caught up	Sew at your own pace
Nov 24	-Two 'no waste' methods to make flying geese units -Folded corner clipper	-Folded corner clipper -Diagonal line ruler	(4) Sawtooth Star blocks
Dec 1	-Accurate Square in a Square units	-Corner trimmer -Diagonal line ruler	(5) Square in a Square blocks
Dec 8	-Final assembly -Scrappy borders		(3) Gift Blocks