

Log Cabin Block Tutorial



When I first started making these blocks I was simply piecing, from scrap bin, pulling out those fabrics that appealed and piecing them together. It was a natural selection process without much thought or planning.



As I continue to piece blocks and have become more aware of the color scheme, as well as the balance of colors and patterns, I am pondering longer and being more hesitant about selection. Perhaps I should have kept piecing blocks without stopping to reflect on my progress?

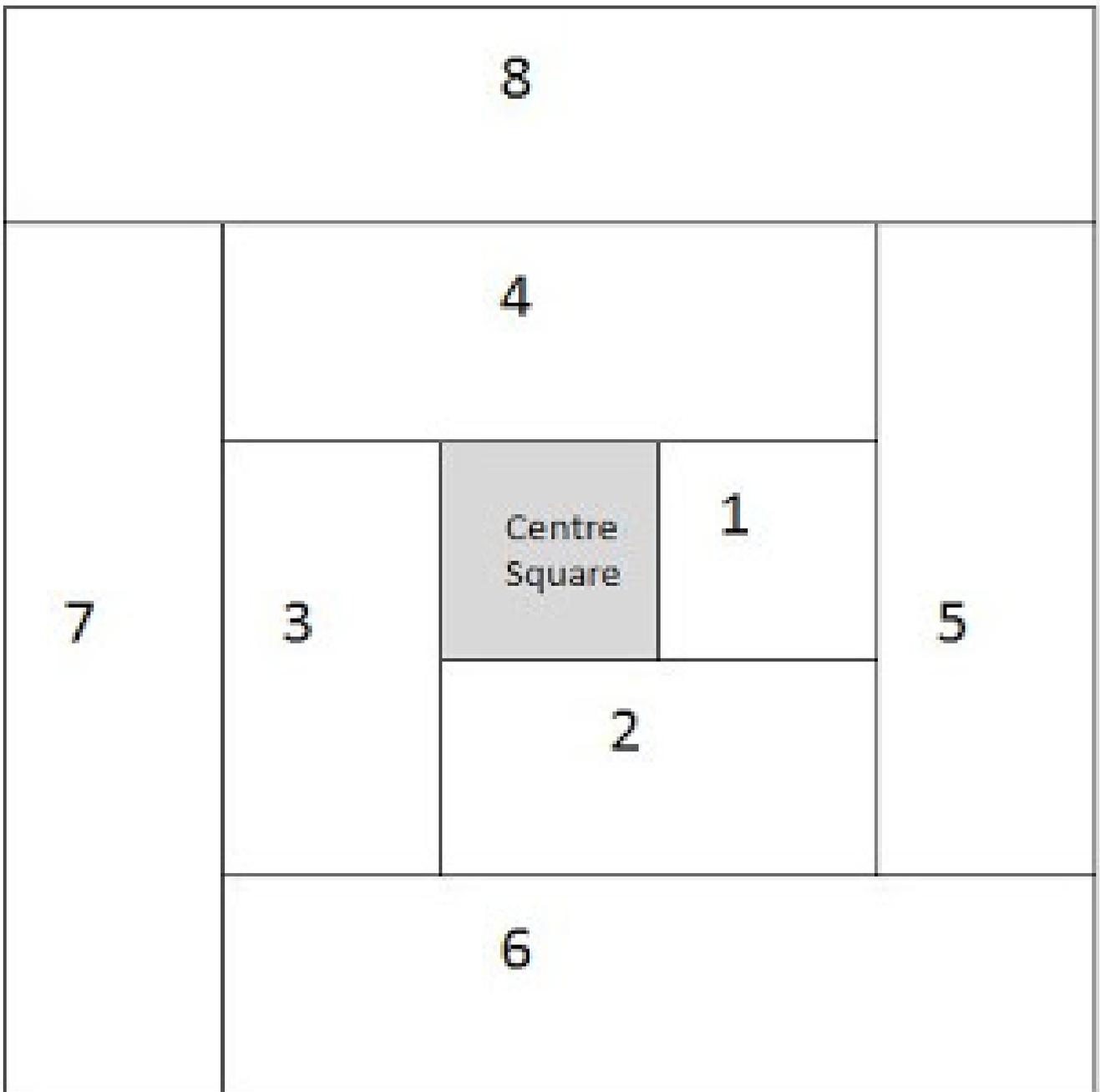


For those of you who have emailed me and for anyone else interested in the **cutting** instructions here they are:

Centre Square = 2.5 inches x 2.5 inches

Logs = 2 inch wide strips (see [note](#) about cutting strips)

Sew in traditional log cabin formation -- start with the centre square, add each new log as per diagram:



A quick **note** about cutting and piecing: although I accurately cut the **centre square**, I cut all logs *longer and wider*, trimming back after each piece has been added. This ensures accurate piecing without stress.

The block measures 5.5 inches x 5.5 inches after the **first four** logs have been sewn to the centre square.

The finished log cabin block measures 8.5 inches x 8.5 inches.