

Glowing Log Cabin: 54" x 72", 6" finished block

Create this easy and quick to sew strippy log cabin quilt using simple value transition to create the illusion of glowing. Learn about color and value as you design your strip sets. Sew the strips sets, cut into squares, pair up, sew diagonally and voila – half square triangles that give the illusion of log cabin blocks. Arrange in any log cabin or half square triangle arrangement. Cut strips or use your scrap strings as they are for minimal prep. A huge stash or scrap buster! Includes multiple layout options.

Pattern: Required. Please visit <https://soquilts.square.site/shop/patterns-by-julia/4> to purchase.

Fabrics:

The glowing effect depends on a wide range of value from light to dark and everything in between. Value refers to how light or dark the fabric is.

Variety is very important so smaller amounts of a lot of fabrics are better.

Use your scrap “strings” or cut strips from layer cakes, jelly rolls, fat quarters or yardage, remembering that variety is better. I consider a string less than 2 ½” wide but at least 1 ½”, but you could go as narrow as 1”. The string needs to be at least 7 ½” long, but you can also piece smaller strips together to make a longer strip.

Materials

- Light – 1 1/4 yards total or at least 120 strings; wide variety of fabrics is best
- Light-medium – 1 1/4 yards or at least 120 strings; wide variety of fabrics is best
- Medium – 1 1/4 yards or at least 120 strings; wide variety of fabrics is best
- Medium-dark – 1 1/4 yards or at least 120 strings; wide variety of fabrics is best
- Dark – 1 1/4 yards or at least 120 strings; wide variety of fabrics is best
- Binding fabric – 5/8 yard
- Backing fabric – 4 ½ yards
- Batting – 60" x 78" or twin

Supplies:

Sewing Machine with regular feet, plus quarter inch foot if you have one
Rotary cutter and mat, longer ruler (at least 12")

Square ruler— 6 ½" square ruler with a diagonal line from point to point

Mechanical pencil or chalk for marking diagonal lines

Thread—neutral color such as beige or grey

Basic sewing supplies—straight pins, seam ripper, thread snips, etc.

Optional small iron and ironing pad