

NON-SLIP 6" Log Cabin Trim Tool



Create perfect 6" Log Cabin, Half Log Cabin, or Courthouse Step blocks. Each round is squared up before the next round is added.
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NON-SLIP 6" Log Cabin Trim Tool Cutting Instructions for Log Cabin, Courthouse Steps, and Half Log Cabin Blocks

Block Size: 6" finished

Center squares: Cut a precise 2" square

Strips: Cut the strips any width as long as they are at least 1-1/2" wide. All strips must have a straight rotary cut edge on one long side. The strip ends and the opposite long side of the strips do not need to be rotary cut, they can be ripped, wavy or angled as all of the strips will be trimmed after sewing using the Log Cabin Trim Tool. Cut all strips slightly longer than needed.

Sewing and Trimming Sequence for the Log Cabin block

Note: The blocks are constructed by adding each new strip in a clockwise direction. Sew all seams with a scant 1/4" seam allowance. As you add each strip, fold the new strip out with the seam allowance towards the outside edge. Press the seams as you sew.

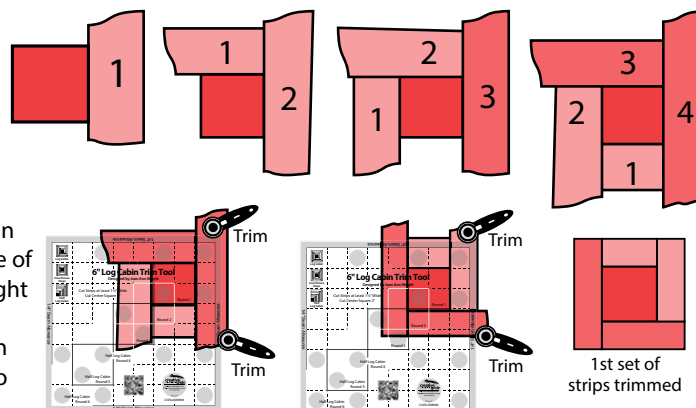
1st Set of Strips

1. With the right side of the 2" center square facing UP, place a strip that is slightly longer than 2" on top of the square with the right side of the strip facing DOWN. Stitch and press.

2. Turn the center square in a counter clockwise direction, adding strip #2 in a clockwise direction. Stitch and press.

3. Following the method in step 2, add strip #3 and strip #4. The first round of strips around the center square is ready to trim.

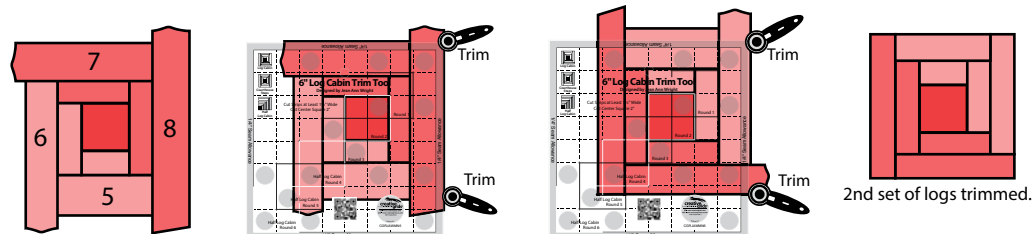
4. Position the Log Cabin Trim Tool with the outside square on the tool over the center square of the pieced unit. Trim up the right side and across the top. Turn the pieced unit a half turn with untrimmed sides positioned to trim up and across.



Sewing and Trimming Sequence for the Log Cabin block (cont.)

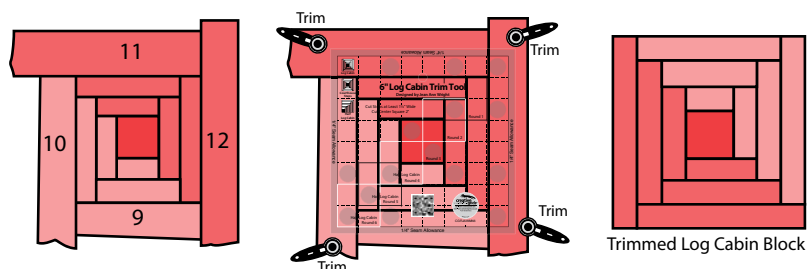
2nd Round of Log Cabin Strips

5. Repeat Steps 1 through 4 as you add the strips for the second round of strips (numbered 5 through 8) around the center square. Trim the block in the same manner as Step 4.



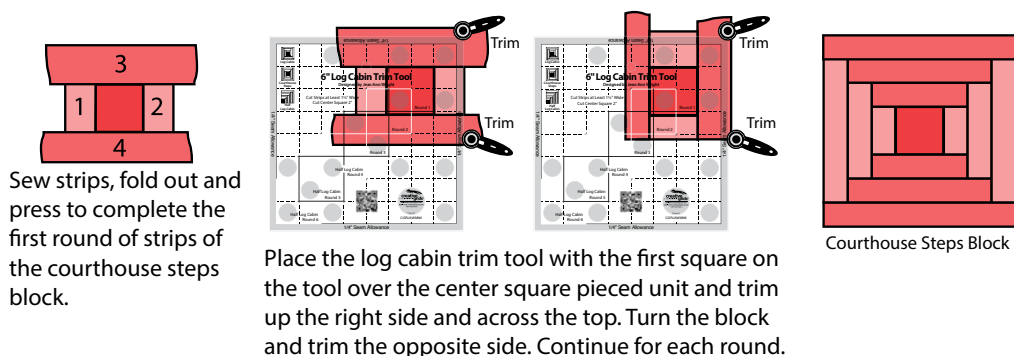
3rd Round of Log Cabin Strips

6. Repeat Steps 1 through 4 as you add the strips for the third round of strips (numbered 9 through 12) around the center square. Trim around the entire ruler for a perfect block.



Sewing and Trimming Sequence for the Courthouse Steps Block

The Courthouse Steps block is similar to the Log Cabin block with the strips added in sequence to opposite sides then to the top and bottom of the center square. As you add strips fold out and press. Trim each round of strips as they are added.



Sewing and Trimming Sequence for the Half Log Cabin Block

To create a Half Log Cabin block add strips in sequence to two adjacent sides of a 2" corner square. Each round of strips is trimmed after sewing. As you add strips fold out and press. Continue to trim each round of strips as they are added.

