

May 2026 President's teachable Moment:

Wonky Log Cabin Blocks

This block is easy to make. There are no rules. Be creative! Use scraps or jelly roll strips, or binding or sashing strips.....or wider strips to about a 3-inch width . you can even use 'crumb pieced' fabric.

You might end up with an improv look. It is a free-flowing process. You don't need to be perfect!

The centre block is not square. It is best to be 3 to 5 inches but cut askew or use a triangle for a different effect.

You might want to fussy cut your centre block for a dramatic effect.

Use a ¼ inch seam when sewing the block.

The block is an effective way to strip piece and make multiple blocks at a time. Colours do not need to 'match' ,... each block can be different.

You can use lights on one side and dark on the other side or mix and match to suit you.

After adding a side, trim the ends so you can attach the next side. Press away from the centre, using your iron, a good finger press or a roller.

You don't need to square the block until your block is larger than the unfinished size that you want.

When you square your block when it reaches the size you want- 6 ½ inch, 8 ½ inch, 10 ½ , or 12 ½ inch, your centre might not be in the centre anymore, and that is ok. The strips that you add on the outside rounds should not be too skinny as you may lose almost all of it in the 'squaring' process.

This is an easy way to make potholders, table runners or any size quilt.

It almost looks like a crazy patch quilt.

If it turns out differently than you originally planned , it is a design decision !

On-line there are a lot of tutorials, and you tube videos. This one is from Coriander Quilts

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Pinterest shows many inspirational ideas.

There is even a Creative Grids ruler, but it is not necessary at all.

Have fun!





