

Autumn Breeze[©]

A Mystery Quilt

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For Mystery Quilts Anonymous

Clue 4

Today we have LOTS of strips to cut. Let's start with the background fabric that will be cut in **1 1/2" x WOF strips**.

For the Table Runner cut 7 strips. From the strips **Cut 4** of each of the lengths in the chart below.

For the Table Topper cut 20 strips. From the strips **Cut 12** of each of the lengths in the chart below.

You can put a check in the box after cutting the quantity of each size to help you keep track.

	12 1/2"
	11 1/2"
	10"
	9"
	7 1/2"
	6 1/2"
	5"
	4"

We will be using these from smallest to largest so you can line them up in order. Each block will use one piece of each size.

Now let's cut all your other fabrics:

From your Medium 2 fabric, cut one strip 2 1/2" x WOF. Cut into 2 1/2" squares as follows:

Table Runner cut 4 squares. **Table Topper** cut 12 squares. Set these aside.

The rest of our strips will be cut at 2" x WOF.

For the Table Runner from the 2" strips, cut into 4 of each measurement in the chart below.

Example: From the light fabric strip cut four 2 1/2" pieces and four 4" pieces. From the Medium 1 fabric strip cut four 5" and four 6 1/2", etc.

For the Table Topper cut 12 of each.

	LIGHT 1 - 2 strips	2 1/2" and 4"
	MEDIUM 1 2 - 4 strips	5" and 6 1/2"
	MEDIUM 2 2 - 5 strips	7 1/2" and 9"
	DARK 3 - 7 strips	10" and 11 1/2"

Line the pieces up from light to dark and smallest to largest. Each block will use 1 piece of each size in each fabric and a 2 1/2" Medium 2 square.

Our block is a curved Log Cabin. The background fabrics build on one half of the block and the wider colored fabrics make up the other side.

We will start with a 2 1/2" square that was cut from the Medium 2 fabric. Sew the 2 1/2" x 2" light piece on one side of it. Press the seam toward the light fabric. Turn the piece counterclockwise so that the light piece is at the top and sew the next size (4") light piece. These pieces should fit perfectly down the side you are about to sew. Press the seam outward and turn to the top position again. We will now add your shortest background strip (4"). Continue to press open and turn each addition to the top. Add the 5" background piece. Continue building the block by adding the two Medium 1 lengths in the 5" and then the 6 1/2". Continue to press outward and turn the last added piece to the top. Follow with the next two background lengths, the Medium 2 pieces, background, Dark, and finish with the two longest background pieces. You will have a 12 1/2" block.

For the Table Runner make 4 blocks.

For the Table Topper make 12 blocks.

Next week will be the assembly of the runner or topper. Show me your blocks and you just might get it early!

