Log Cabin Variation

Supplies List

- **Color 1**: Color 1 needs: one 2-1/2" square and one 1-1/2" x 30" strip
- **Color 2**: Colors 2 needs: all strips measuring 1-1/2" wide ...in these lengths: 2-1/2", 4-1/2", 6-1/2", 8-1/2" and 10-1/2"
- **Color 3**: Colors 3 needs: all strips measuring 1-1/2" wide ...in these lengths: 2-1/2", 4-1/2", 6-1/2", 8-1/2" and 10-1/2"
- **Color 4**: Colors 4 needs: all strips measuring 1-1/2" wide ...in these lengths: 2-1/2", 4-1/2", 6-1/2", 8-1/2" and 10-1/2"
- **Color 5**: Colors 5 needs: all strips measuring 1-1/2" wide ...in these lengths: 2-1/2", 4-1/2", 6-1/2", 8-1/2" and 10-1/2"

Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block

Start by marking and cutting your Color 1 1-1/2" x 30" strip into twenty 1-1/2" squares...

Sew a color 1 square to each end of the shortest horizontal strips, using as always a SCANT 1/4" seam. Press seam allowances towards the darker fabrics...

Repeat this with the next length of horizontal strips...and then all the remaining horizontal strips...

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Now we start the piecing! Sew the west and east 2-1/2" strips to the sides of the center square, using all SCANT 1/4" seams. Press seam allowances towards the outer strips...

Then sew on the north and south 2-1/2" strips with squares joined on, pressing these seams towards the center square...

Add the next size east and west strips, pressing seams towards the outer strips...

Then add the next row of horizontal strips-with-squares, pressing towards the center...

Continue in this manner, adding west and east, pressing towards the outer strips...

Then adding north and south, pressing towards the center...

...west and east...

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...west and east...etc etc! and that's all there is to it! What matters most in this one, is good straight seams. You will probably want to check your block as you go along, making sure it is still staying square!