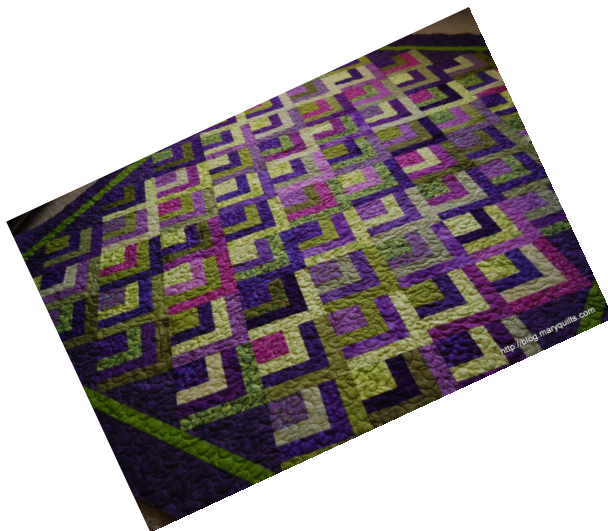


*Evening Star Quilt Guild  
2014 Block of the Month*

*“It All Began With Essie...”*

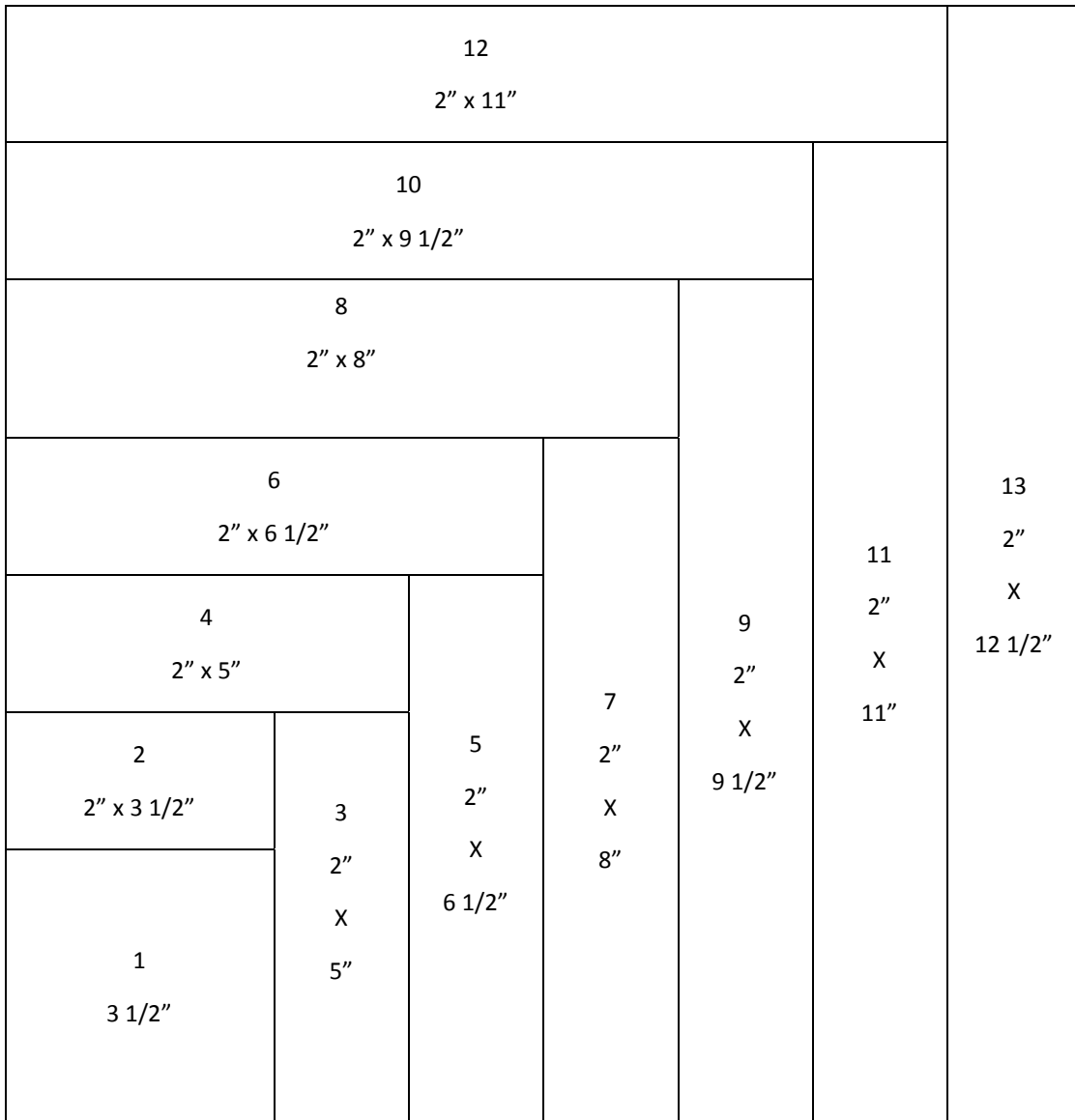


*As we return to our journey with the Greene family we find ourselves in the year 1826. The farm continues to thrive and the family is growing up and learning the skills necessary for their adult life. Violet is 16 and very pretty and is eager to please her Mother with her sewing and cooking skills and then there is Penelope! Penelope is now 12, a beauty, a tomboy and never seems to be able to keep her apron clean or her hair tidy. Essie has tried to teach her how to sew and piece a quilt, skills that will be necessary when she has a home and family of her own, but to no avail and to Essie's frustration. Finally, Essie lays down the law and hands Penelope some strips of fabric, a needle and thread and the log cabin pattern hoping the simplicity of the design will help her daughter to learn. Now, Penelope, all of 12 and with a mind of her own, decides that if she has to do this hateful work then she will only do half of the block!! So with fabric strips and needle and thread she begins. Imagine the little head bent over the work and sewing with grubby fingers and certainly with attitude. But to Penelope's surprise and to her Mother's amazement the block turns out beautifully! Penelope begs more strips which her Mother gladly hands over and block after block comes from the little girl's hands. Essie helped her set it into a quilt top and at the next neighborhood quilting day Penelope's quilt was placed in the frame, quilted and admired! As the little girl curled up under her very own quilt in her very own bed she thought that maybe, just maybe sewing might not be so bad...as long as she could still climb trees! So, for this month we have the “Half Log Cabin” block!*



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12" finished Half Log Cabin Block—

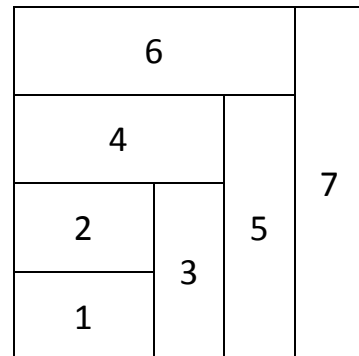
Piece according to diagram and following the numeric steps. To make a smaller version you can choose to stop at any round using the above measurements. If you would like a smaller version of this block you will need to start out with a smaller beginning square as follows:

6" Finished Block— start with 2" square and 1 1/4" wide strips

8" Finished Block—start with 2 1/2" square and 1 1/2" wide strips

10" Finished Block—start with 3" square and 1 3/4" wide strips

Go to next page for diagram for Half Log Cabin with cornerstones.



12 2" x 11"					13 2"	13 2" X 11"	
10 2" x 9 1/2"				11 2"	11 2" X 9 1/2"		
8 2" x 8"			9 2"	9 2" X 8"			
6 2" x 6 1/2"		7 2"	7 2" X 6 1/2"				
4 2" x 5"		5 2"					5 2" X 5"
2 2" x 3 1/2"	3 2"	3 2" X 3 1/2"					
1 3 1/2"	3 2" X 3 1/2"						

12" finished Half Log Cabin Block with Cornerstones—

Piece according to diagram and following the numeric steps. Sew cornerstone to the strip before you add the next round. For example : Sew Cornerstone 3 to Strip 3 and then add to the 1-2 unit. To make a smaller version you can choose to stop at any round using the above measurements. If you would like a smaller version of this block you will need to start out with a smaller beginning square as follows:

6" Finished Block— start with 2" square and 1 1/4" wide strips and 1 1/4" cornerstones

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Have Fun ! Google: half log cabin block and click on "images" to see more ideas!

6		7	7
4		5	
2	3	5	
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