

2026 JIT Group Block - Rainbow Wonky Log Cabin

Blocks Due: August 9th

Block Size: minimum 13" unfinished - we will trim all the blocks to a uniform size once they're received.

Please make sure to use a scant 1/4" seam for this block. (Ask if you're unsure about your seam allowance!)

For our group quilt, we will be making **Rainbow Wonky Log Cabin blocks**. For these blocks, you will be using **three colors and sewing each round in rainbow order** - (**Pink, Red, Orange, Yellow,**

Green, Blue, Indigo, Violet). Feel free to start anywhere in the rainbow, but the colors must progress in order.

So, for example, starting in the center as shown in the photo: on the left block, **purple** center, then **pink/berry**, and then **red**.

On the right block, **orange** center, then **yellow**, and then **green**.

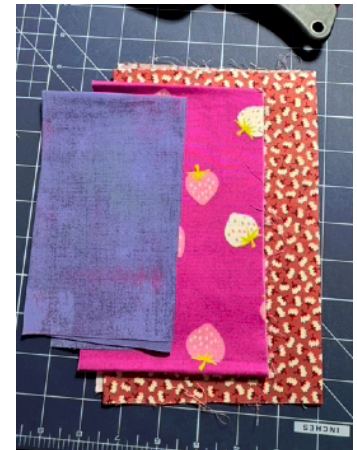
Prints are great for this and solids would also work well - feel free to mix and match or stick to one kind. Please make sure that each fabric "reads" as the color you're intending to use (if you squint, do you see primarily that color?). **Multi color prints would not be a great option for this block.**

Feel free to vary the widths of the strips in each section, but **pay attention to the size** once you finish your Round 1, as you can adjust your Round 2 sizing in order to get the final block to the 13" minimum. Varying the widths of your strips adds more interest to the blocks as well.



Materials:

- **Center square or rectangle** - minimum 4" sides, no larger than 6"
- **Round 1 Fabric** - 2.5" or larger WOF strip (or equivalent)
- **Round 2 Fabric** - 3" or larger WOF x 2 strips (or equivalent) - you will need more than 1xWOF but less than 2 full strips.



Directions:

1. Take your center square/rectangle and strip of Round 1 fabric. Cut a piece that is a little longer than the side you will be attaching it to as shown. Sew those pieces right sides together with a scant 1/4" seam allowance and press.

2. Trim off the fabric over hang before sewing on the next strip. Make sure your strip is longer than the side you're sewing it onto as you did in step 1.

3. Repeat those steps for the remaining three sides of the square/rectangle working your way around. In order to create the wonky in this block, you can cut an angle into a side or two before sewing the next strip as shown.



4. Once you've finished your first round, trim off any extra bits that overhang the sides. Check the size of your in progress block, as this will tell you how wide your strips for Round 2 should be. For the sample blocks, my blocks were around 9" after finishing the first round.

5. Repeat steps 1 - 3 for Round 2, adding in some additional wonky sides along the way. Your block should be at **minimum 13" unfinished** and larger is totally fine.

Leave your block untrimmed, as they will be trimmed to a uniform size once they've all been received.

