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# AUTUMN AT THE COURTHOUSE

Use lots of dark scraps and just one light print fabric to make this colorful fall wallhanging.

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## PROJECT RATING: INTERMEDIATE

**Size:** 41½" x 41½"

**Blocks:** 4 (7½") Leaf blocks  
21 Log Cabin blocks

## Materials

1 yard dark red print for borders and binding

½ yard tan print for blocks

⅔ yard multi-color print for middle border

1 fat eighth\* red print for Log Cabin block centers

28 (2" x 20") strips assorted dark prints for Log Cabin blocks

4 (6") squares each of red, gold, green, and purple prints for leaf blocks. Quilt shown has several shades of each color.

1 (6") square dark brown print for stems

Template material

2½ yards backing fabric

Crib-size quilt batting

\*fat eighth = 9" x 20"

## Cutting

Make templates for F and G pieces, using the patterns on page 4.

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Border strips are exact length needed. You may want to make them longer to allow for piecing variations.

### From dark red print, cut:

- 5 (3"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 2 (3" x 37") side outer borders.

Piece remaining strips to make 2 (3" x 42") top and bottom outer borders.

- 5 (2¼"-wide) strips for binding.
- 4 (1½"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 2 (1½" x 34") top and bottom inner borders and 2 (1½" x 32") side inner borders.

### From tan print, cut:

- 1 (4"-wide) strip. From strip, cut 4 F triangles, 4 F reverse triangles, and 4 (4") squares. Cut squares in half diagonally to make 8 half-square E triangles.
- 5 (2"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 16 (2" x 5") C rectangles, 8 (2" x 3½") B rectangles and 40 (2") A squares.

### From multi-colored print, cut:

- 4 (2"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 2 (2" x 37") top and bottom middle borders and 2 (2" x 34") side middle borders.

### From red print, cut:

- 3 (2"-wide) strips. From strips, cut 21 (2") A squares.

### From assorted dark print strips, cut:

- 10 (2" x 8") D rectangles, 44 (2" x 5") C rectangles, 32 (2" x 3½") B rectangles, and 10 (2") A squares.

### From each set of the red, gold, green, and purple prints for leaf blocks, cut:

- 6 (2" x 3½") B rectangles (3 matching pairs), 1 (2") A square, and 1 G leaf point.

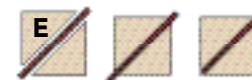
### From dark brown print, cut:

- 4 (¾" x 5½") stem strips.

## Leaf Block Assembly

### 1. Referring to *Stem Unit Diagrams*,

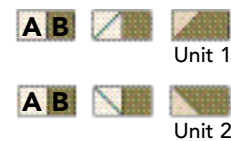
join 2 tan print E triangles and 1 dark brown stem strip. Stem strip will extend beyond edges of triangles. Placing center of stem on diagonal line on ruler, trim stem unit to 3½" square.



Stem Unit Diagrams

### 2. Referring to *Leaf Tip Unit Diagrams*,

place tan A square atop red B leaf rectangle. Stitch diagonally from corner to corner as shown. Trim ¼" beyond stitching. Press open to reveal triangle (*Leaf Tip Unit 1*). Make 3 Leaf Tip Unit 1, using different red print for each.



Leaf Tip Unit Diagrams

3. In a similar manner, using matching B leaf rectangle and tan A square, stitch diagonally in opposite direction to make Leaf Tip Unit 2. Make 3 Leaf Tip Unit 2, using fabrics to match each Unit 1.

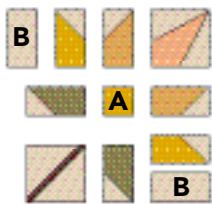
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4. Referring to *Leaf Point Unit Diagrams*, join 1 F triangle and 1 F reverse triangle to sides of G piece to make Leaf Point Unit.

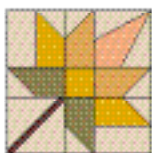


Leaf Point Unit Diagrams

5. Lay out leaf tip units, leaf point unit, 1 stem unit, 1 A square, and 2 tan B rectangles as shown in *Block Assembly Diagram*. Join into rows; join rows to complete 1 Leaf block (*Block Diagram*). Make 4 Leaf blocks, 1 each in red, gold, green, and purple.



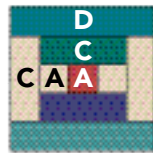
Block Assembly Diagram



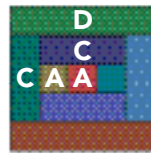
Block Diagram

## Log Cabin Block Assembly

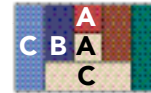
1. Referring to *Log Cabin Block Diagrams*, lay out pieces as shown in Block 1 diagram. Join pieces to complete block. Make 4 Block 1.



Block 1  
Make 4



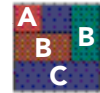
Block 2  
Make 1



Block 3  
Make 8



Block 4  
Make 4



Block 5  
Make 4

Log Cabin Block Diagrams

2. In a similar manner, make 1 Block 2, 8 Block 3, 4 Block 4, and 4 Block 5.

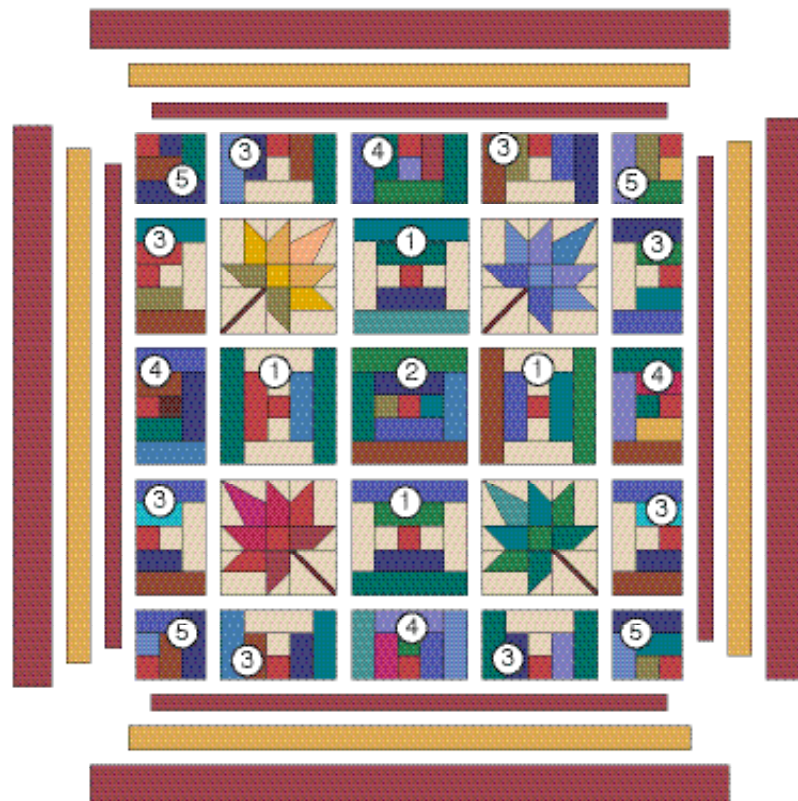
## Quilt Assembly

1. Referring to *Quilt Top Assembly Diagram*, lay out Log Cabin and Leaf blocks in 5 rows with 5 blocks in each row as shown.

2. Join blocks into rows; join rows to complete quilt center.

3. Add dark red print side inner borders to quilt center. Add top and bottom inner borders to quilt.

Repeat for multi-color print middle borders and dark red print outer borders.



Quilt Top Assembly Diagram

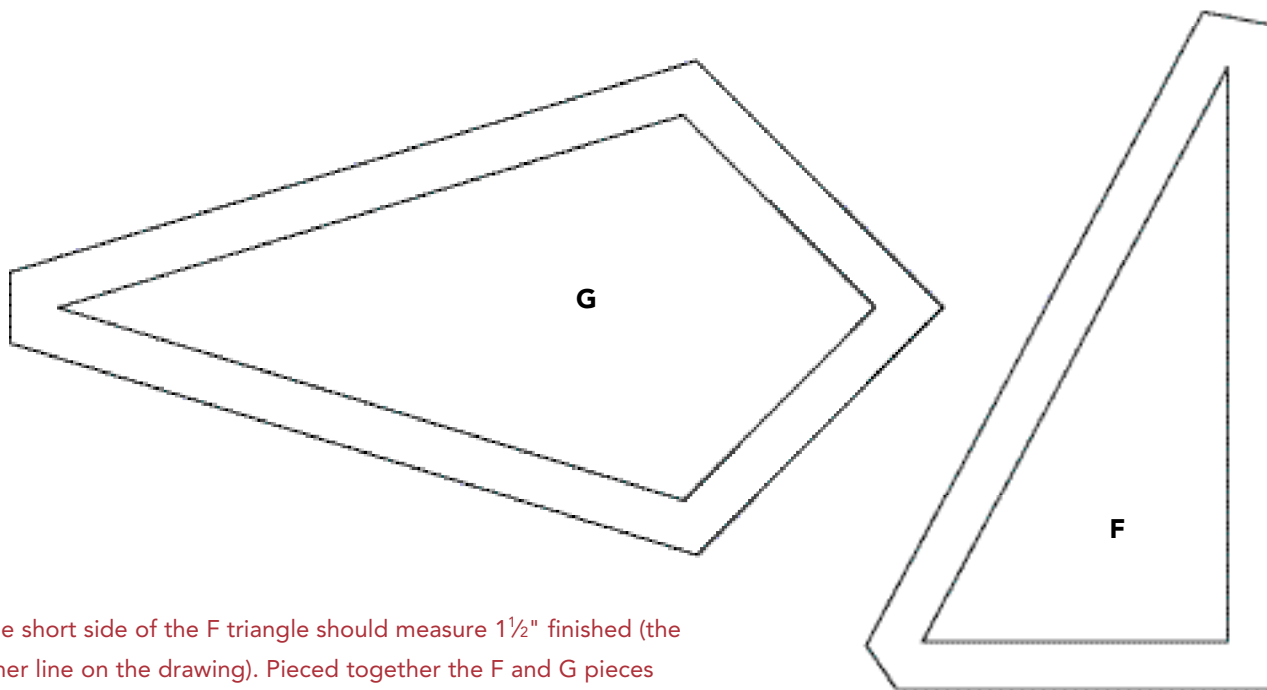
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## Finishing

**1.** Divide backing fabric into 2 (1¼-yard) lengths. Cut 1 panel in half lengthwise to make 2 narrow panels. Join 1 narrow panel to wider panel. Press seam allowances toward narrow panel. Remaining piece is extra and may be used to make a hanging sleeve.

**2.** Layer backing, batting, and quilt top; baste. Quilt as desired. Quilt shown was quilted in the ditch in the blocks and with an egg and dart pattern in the outer border.

**3.** Join 2¼"-wide dark red print strips into 1 continuous piece for straight-grain French-fold binding. Add binding to quilt.



The short side of the F triangle should measure 1½" finished (the inner line on the drawing). Pieced together the F and G pieces make a 3" finished unit (3½" with seam allowances included).