

Daylesford Sew-Along - January newsletter

Wow, Happy New Year! I remember so well the turn of the millennium, but how can that be a quarter of a century ago now?! Time flies when you're having fun I suppose. And hopefully you're all having fun with this sew-along. Once we've sewn this month's blocks, we'll be just about half way through the 42 logs, but obviously the rest are much longer, and will need piecing and a focus on avoiding bowed edges.

Remember: Select and cut fabrics for the piano key border in log 39 as you go. Cut pieces roughly 2 x 5" and set them aside.

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After row 15, your unfinished quilt should measure 28½ x 28½". The diagram shows the FINISHED dimensions of each row, so be sure to add ¼" seam allowance when cutting your strips! According to Jen's 'recipe' we have just one pieced log this time, log 16 which Jan calls a 'window panel' but I think looks like a dashed line.

In case you don't have the book to hand, here are the details on making log 16:

Choose two contrasting fabrics.

From fabric 1, cut 2 strips @ 2" x WOF

AND cut 1 strip @ 1½" x WOF

From fabric 2, cut 1 strip @ 1½" x WOF

Sew together the fabric 2 strip with the two 2" wide fabric 1 (background) strips on either side (as in diagram 1).

Press seams towards fabric 1, away from the central strip.

The resulting strip should now measure 4½" x WOF.

Subcut this strip into 2" segments (as in diagram 2)

You will have more than you need, so maybe incorporate them again later, or on the back.

Subcut the remaining 1½" strip of fabric 1 into 4½" lengths

Alternate and sew together, the 1½" x 4½" fabric 1 pieces, and the pieced 2" x 4½" segments (as in diagram 3).

Jen's quilt has 11 of the pieced windows or dashes, and 12 vertical strips and measures 4½" x 28½".

Any questions, please email, text or call - my details are in the Guild Directory.

And HAVE FUN!! Bee Saunders 🐝

