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After Midnight Quilt designed by: Janet Houts

Quilt Size: 72" x 80" • Skill Level: Intermediate / Advanced

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Introducing Andover Fabrics new collection: **OBSIDIAN** by Andover Fabrics Quilt designed by Janet Houts



Quilt finishes 72" x 80" 16 Blocks: 18" x 20"

Who doesn't like Log Cabin blocks? This original block has a surprise—it is not a square, and the overall design is asymmetrical. Some of the patches can be easily made with the use of strip piecing. Careful attention to patch placement results in a dynamic and successful double-bed comforter.

Cutting Directions

Note: Read assembly directions before cutting patches. All measurements are cut sizes and include $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances. A fat $\frac{1}{4}$ is an 18" x 20"-22" cut. WOF designates the width of fabric from selvedge to selvedge (approximately 43" wide).

4 Background Blacks (Block Y) From each:

Cut (8) strips 21/2" x 101/2"

Cut (8) strips 2½" x 8½"

Cut (8) strips 2½" x 6½"

Cut (8) strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

Cut (8) strips 2½" x 1½"

4 Background Blacks (Block Z) From each:

Cut (16) strips 2½" x 9½"

Cut (8) strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $7\frac{1}{2}$ "

Cut (8) strips 2½" x 5½"

Cut (8) strips $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ "

Cut (8) squares 11/2" x 11/2"

8 Brights From each:

Cut (8) strips 11/2" x 211/2" for strip-pieced bands

Cut (8) squares 2½" x 2½"

8 Log Cabin Blacks From each:

Cut (8) strips 11/2" x 21" for strip-pieced bands

Binding

Cut (8) strips 21/2" x WOF for binding

Backing

Cut (2) lengths 40" x 88", pieced to fit quilt top with overlap on all sides

Fabric Requirements

Yardage

4 Background Blacks ¾ yard each (Block Y) 307-K 312-K 317-K 320-K

 $\textbf{4 Background Blacks} \qquad {}^{3}\!\!\!/_{4} \text{ yard each (Block Z)}$

308-K 309-K 310-K 311-K

8 Brights fat 1/4 each

CS-10-BarnRose CS-10-ButternutSquash CS-10-Champagne CS-10-Clay CS-10-Faded

CS-10-Isle CS-10-Oatmeal CS-10-Sage

8 Log Cabin Blacks fat ½ each

314-K 316-K 321-K 322-K (Block Y) 313-K 315-K 318-K 319-K (Block Z)

Binding 34 yard 313-K **Backing** 5 yards 312-K

Making the Quilt

Feel free to mix up the various L. C. Blacks and the Brights as you wish to make the blocks. However, if you wish to make the quilt as shown, follow these directions carefully.

1. Some of the patches in the blocks are made with strippiecing techniques. Pair the following 1½" x 21" strips for strippieced bands:

For Block Y:

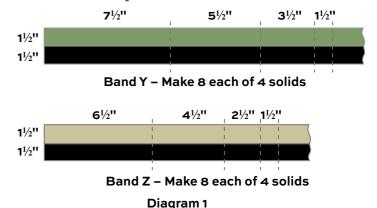
Champagne/321-K; Faded/322-K; Isle/314-K; Sage/316-K

For Block Z:

BarnRose/318-K; ButternutSquash/315-K; Clay/313-K;

Oatmeal/319-K

Join the 2 strips lengthwise, and press the seam allowance toward the dark print to make a pieced band (Diagram 1). Make 8 bands of each color combination. Press the seam allowances toward the black strips.

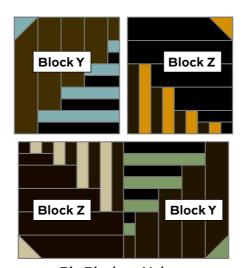


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- 2. From the bands, cut crosswise segments the widths shown on the Band Y and Band Z diagrams. Be sure to cut the segments perpendicular to the pieced seam so each segment is a rectangle with square ends. Adjust your cutting as needed. You should have 8 of each color and length. Set these aside, keeping like segments together.
- 3. The longest strip in each block has a triangle stitched to one end. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each Bright 2½" square. Place a marked square with right sides together on the end of a 10½" Black strip, pairing the colors as listed for Block Y in Step 1. Stitch on the drawn line in the direction shown in Diagram 2. Repeat this step for all the Block Y color combinations. Likewise, stitch the appropriate Bright square to the ends of 9½" Black strips for Block Z. (See Step 1.)
- **4.** Referring to the Block Y and Block Z diagrams, arrange the Black Background strips and the strip-pieced segments from Step 2 as shown. Be careful to correctly rotate the black strip with the triangle. Beginning in the corner with the smallest patch, join the segments in order. Make 8 Block Y and 8 Block Z in each combination.
- **5.** Arrange 2 Y blocks and 2 Z blocks as shown in the Big Block 1 and Big Block 2 diagrams, rotating the Bright strips as shown. Note that the colored triangles are in the 4 corners of the block. Join the blocks to make 8 of each big block.
- **6.** Refer to the Quilt Diagram. Position the blocks as shown, alternating Block 1 and Block 2. Looking through a camera or the wrong end of binoculars may help you find mistakes. Once you are satisfied with the arrangement, join 4 blocks in each of 4 rows, and then join the rows.

Finishing the Quilt

7. Layer the quilt with batting and backing and baste. Quilt in the ditch around the block patches, or quilt an overall motif. Bind to finish the quilt.



Big Block 1 – Make 8

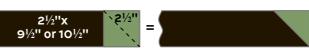
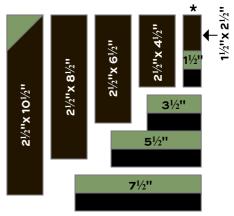
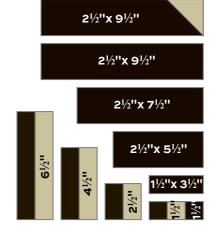


Diagram 2

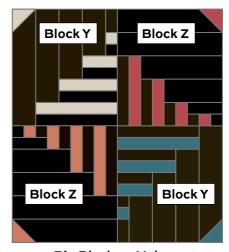




Block Y - Make 8 each of 4 solids *Begin "Log Cabin" piecing in corner

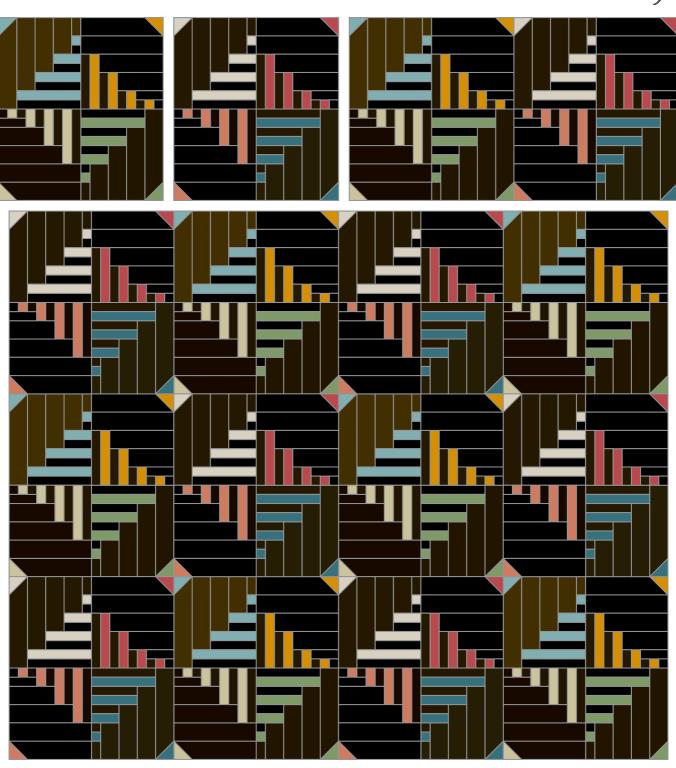


Block Z - Make 8 each of 4 solids



Big Block 2- Make 8

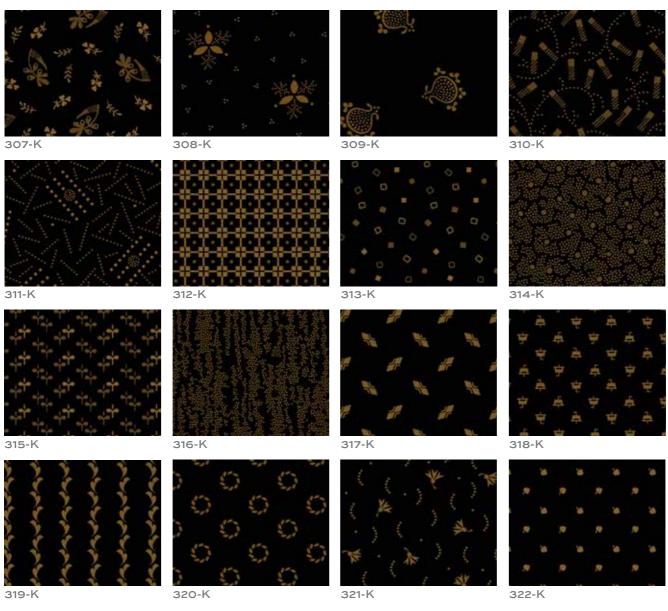




Quilt Diagram

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