

Bess' Flower Garden

COURTHOUSE STEPS HOT PAD

THIS PROJECT REQUIRES

Creative Grids 10" Log Cabin Trim Tool Duo #CGRJAW10

PLEASE NOTE

All seam allowances are $\frac{1}{4}$ " WOF = Width of Fabric

MAKE COURTHOUSE STEPS BLOCK

IMPORTANT: The pamphlet that comes with the 10" Log Cabin Trim Tool Duo instructs you to cut your fabrics to "at least $1\frac{3}{4}$ " wide" and "slightly longer than needed." Creative Grids has also provided the **Sewing and Trimming Sequence** (shown on the top of the next page) that includes *specific* cuts for this block. Our kit is based on those specific cuts.

Cut fabrics as listed below, and use the Sewing and Trimming Sequence to make (1) Courthouse Steps block.

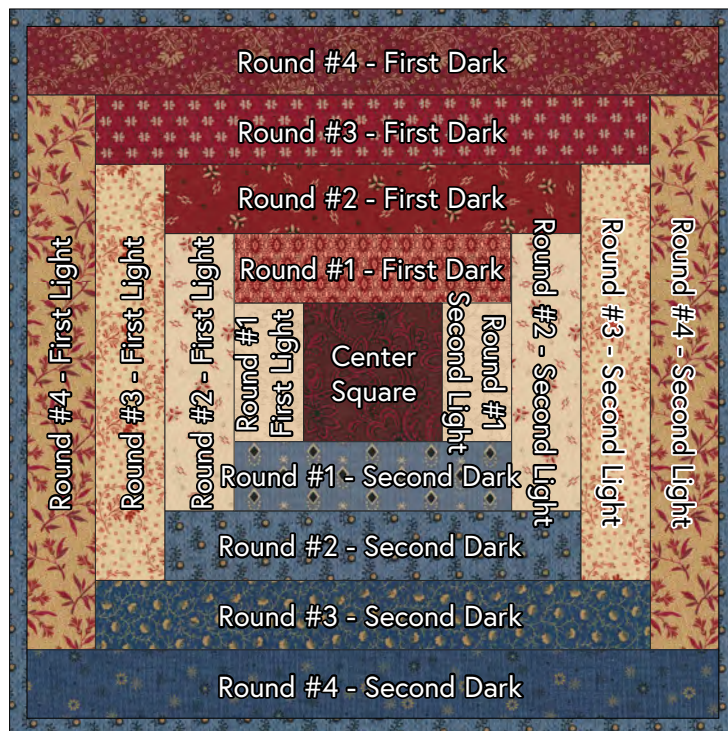
REQUIRED MATERIALS

- $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $2\frac{1}{2}$ " dark red for **Center Square**
- (2) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $2\frac{1}{2}$ " cream for **Round 1 First & Second Light**
- (2) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $4\frac{1}{2}$ " cream for **Round #2 First & Second Light**
- (2) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $6\frac{1}{2}$ " cream for **Round #3 First & Second Light**
- (2) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times $8\frac{1}{2}$ " cream for **Round #4 First & Second Light**
- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 5" red for **Round #1 First Dark**
- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 7" red for **Round #2 First Dark**
- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 9" red for **Round #3 First Dark**
- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 11" red for **Round #4 First Dark**
- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 5" blue for **Round #1 Second Dark**
- (2) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times WOF blue for **Binding & Round #2 Second Dark**

From the end of **one** binding strip, cut:

(2) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 7" rectangles. Set (1) rectangle aside for **Hanging Loop** (optional) and trim the other rectangle to $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 7" for **Round #2 Second Dark**. Set whole binding strip and partial binding strip aside for later.

- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 9" for **Round #3 Second Dark**
- (1) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " \times 11" for **Round #4 Second Dark**
- 12" \times 12" for **Backing**
- 11" \times 11" cotton batting, such as Warm & Natural
- 11" \times 11" insulated batting, such as Insul-Bright
- Creative Grids 10" Log Cabin Trim Tool Duo #CGRJAW10



$10\frac{1}{2}$ " \times $10\frac{1}{2}$ " (unfinished)

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS

- Olfa Rotary Cutter
- Olfa Spinning Rotary Mat 12" \times 12"
- Clover Wonder Pins
- Creative Grids Folded Corner Clipper Tool #CGRFCC
- Clover Wonder Clips
- Sulky 50 wt. coordinating thread

Follow along with the HOW TO MAKE A COURTHOUSE STEPS HOT PAD

video featured on our YouTube channel:



[YouTube.com/Shabby Fabrics](https://www.youtube.com/ShabbyFabrics)



Courthouse Steps (10" Finished)

Center Square – 2½"

Round #1 First & Second Light 1¾" x 2½"

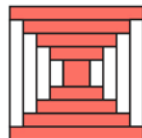
First & Second Dark 1¾" x 5"

Place the Round #1 Square on the seam lines. Trim two sides. Rotate the tool and trim the other two sides.

Round #2 First & Second Light 1¾" x 4½"

First & Second Dark 1¾" x 7"

Trim by placing the Round #2 Square on the seam lines. Trim two sides. Rotate the tool and trim the other two sides.



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Round #3 First & Second Light 1¾" x 6½"

First & Second Dark 1¾" x 9"

Trim by placing the Round #3 Square on the seam lines. Trim two sides. Rotate the tool and trim the other two sides.

Round #4 First & Second Light 1¾" x 8½"

First & Second Dark 1¾" x 11"

Trim by placing the Round #4 Square on the seam lines. Trim all four sides.

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*Find other helpful information at www.creativegridsusa.com

FINISH HOT PAD

Layer **backing** (right side down), **cotton batting** (has no right/wrong side), **insulated batting** (has no right/wrong side), and hot pad top (right side up). Pin to hold layers together during quilting. *We recommend using Clover Wonder Pins.*

Quilt as desired. *For sample project, we stitched in the ditch with coordinating thread.*

Square up to trim away excess batting and backing.

HANGING LOOP (optional)

STEP 1: Fold hanging loop rectangle in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and press. **STEP 2:** Fold and press long edges so they meet at the center crease.

STEP 3: Fold entire unit in half lengthwise and press. Topstitch down the double-fold side. **STEP 4:** Fold loop so raw edges meet, and place in corner of backing as shown. Secure hanging loop in place with a ⅛" seam allowance in corner.

We recommend pinning to backing so loop does not interfere when adding binding.

Trim overhanging corners of hanging loop.

Sew partial **binding** strip and full binding strip together to make one long strip. Fold binding in half lengthwise with wrong sides together and press. Sew the binding to the front side of the hot pad starting in the middle of any side. *We recommend using a diagonal fold at the beginning of the binding, as shown in illustration below, so binding can be tucked in at the end.* Turn the binding over and hand stitch to the back of the hot pad.



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4

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