Silk Tie Log Cabin Quilt

Supplies:

5 - 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares background (embroidered or fussy cut) for center of log cabins $3-7\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares background or fussy cut for center of setting blocks 11-12 red (or 1st color of choice) men's silk ties 11-12 blue (or 2nd color of choice) men's silk ties $\frac{3}{4}$ yard dark color for border (cut in $4 - 6 \frac{1}{2}$ inch strips) Fusible stabilizer

Preparing Silk Ties

Carefully take apart the ties by removing the stitches. Remove the lining and the label and save it for use in another project if desired. Each tie is about an eighth of a yard of bias cut silk fabric. Check it over for stains or holes.

After the tie is unassembled, stabilize tie with fusible stabilizer. (DO not use fusible interfacing as it tends to shrink)

How much you will get out of the tie depends on the width and if there are stains and where the seams are in the tie. After stabilizing the tie cut in 2 ½ inch strips. The longest strip required will be 15 ½ inches. Keep this in mind when deciding how to cut the ties.





Cut the ties as follows

<u>Main Log Cabin Blocks</u>	
<u>Color 1</u>	<u>Color 2</u>
5 - 2 ½ x 6 ½	5 – 2 ½ x 8 ½
5 - 2 ½ x 8 ½	5 - 2 ½ x 10 ½
5 - 2 ½ x 10 ½	5 - 2 ½ x 12 ½
5 - 2 ½ x 12 ½	5 - 2 ½ x 14 ½
Setting Blocks	
<u>Color 1</u>	<u>Color 2</u>
3 - 2 ½ x 7 ½	3 – 2 ½ x 9 ½
3 - 2 ½ x 9 ½	3 - 2 ½ x 11 ½

3 -	2 ½ x	11 ½	3 -
3 -	2 ½ x	13 ½	3 -

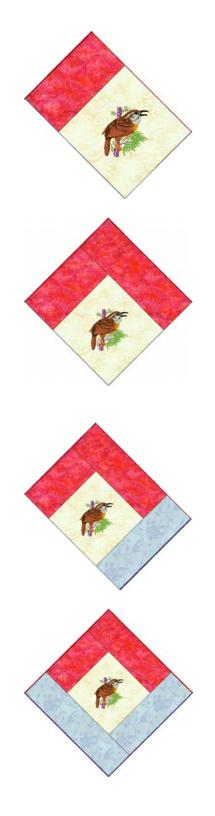
Block Construction

Starting with a 6 ½" length of your first red fabric, with right sides together, and using a scant 1/4" seam, sew this to the TOP of your center block. Square off end if needed. Press the seam to the outside

Then, add the second strip of your first red to the right hand side of this new block... (about 8- $\frac{1}{2}$ " long strip)

Working in a clockwise direction, continue to add strips...the next will be your first blue fabric (about 8-1/2" long) ...square off as needed...

Then another blue (10 $\frac{1}{2}$)



2 ½ x 13 ½ 2 ½ x 15 ½

Continue adding two more reds (10 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$) then two blues (12 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 14 $\frac{1}{2}$)



Setting Blocks

Assemble the setting blocks in the same way only using the 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares with blocks in the following order red (7 $\frac{1}{2}$), red (9 $\frac{1}{2}$), blue (9 $\frac{1}{2}$), blue (11 $\frac{1}{2}$), red (11 $\frac{1}{2}$), red (13 $\frac{1}{2}$), blue (13 1/2) and blue (15 $\frac{1}{2}$).

Cut one of the setting squares horizontally on the center as shown for the top and bottom setting squares:





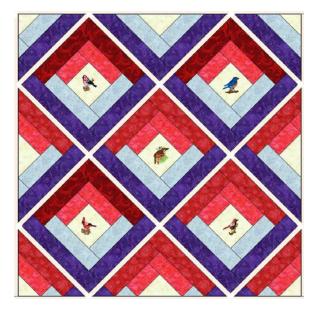
Cut one of the setting squares vertically on the center as shown for the side setting squares:



Cut the remaining setting square both horizontally and vertically as shown for the corner blocks.



Lay out as shown. The setting blocks will require trimming.



Add borders. Add batting and back. Quilt as desired. Bind.

