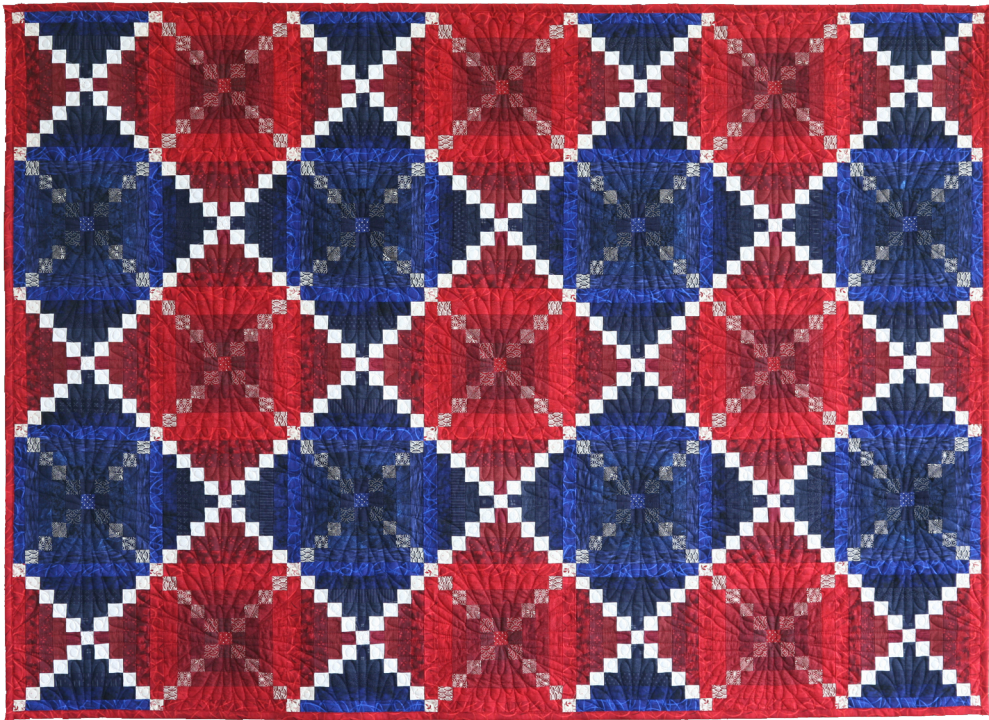


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Blood is Thicker Than Water

Tracey Lawko, Toronto, Ontario, 2010

67" x 48"

Cotton fabric and batting, cotton and polyester thread. Machine pieced and long arm quilted.

This variation on traditional log cabin symbolizes the balancing (or pull) between family and individual desires. The red diamonds are blood - family ties. The blue diamonds are water - the desire for movement and travel. The outer cornerstones define the cabins (or homes) while the value grading of the internal ones show movement between family and individual. The quilt can be turned in any direction and the fabric patterns move in the same way. Everything seems in perfect balance. However, in this quilt family ties are stronger. There are 9 full red diamonds but only 8 ½ blue diamonds.