

## BEAR PAW QUILT BLOCK KIT

Advanced Level

Kit contains precut pieces to make one 8 inch finished block. Please read through all instructions before you begin. All seams are  $\frac{1}{4}$ "

Pieces measure: (Note: colors in kit may vary)

4 - 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares, dark blue;

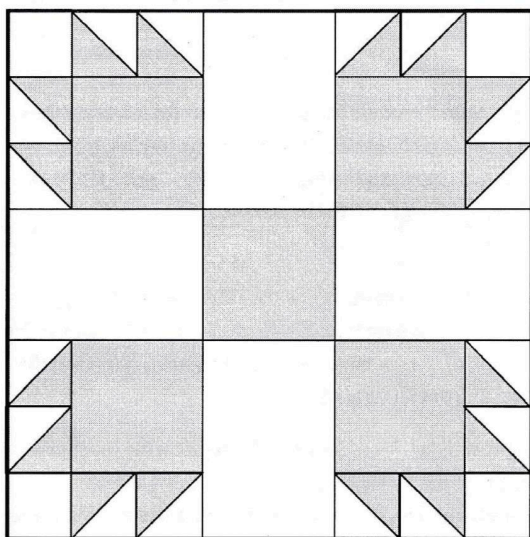
1 - 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch square, dark gold;

8 - 1  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch squares, tan, for half square triangles;

4 - 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares, tan, for corners;

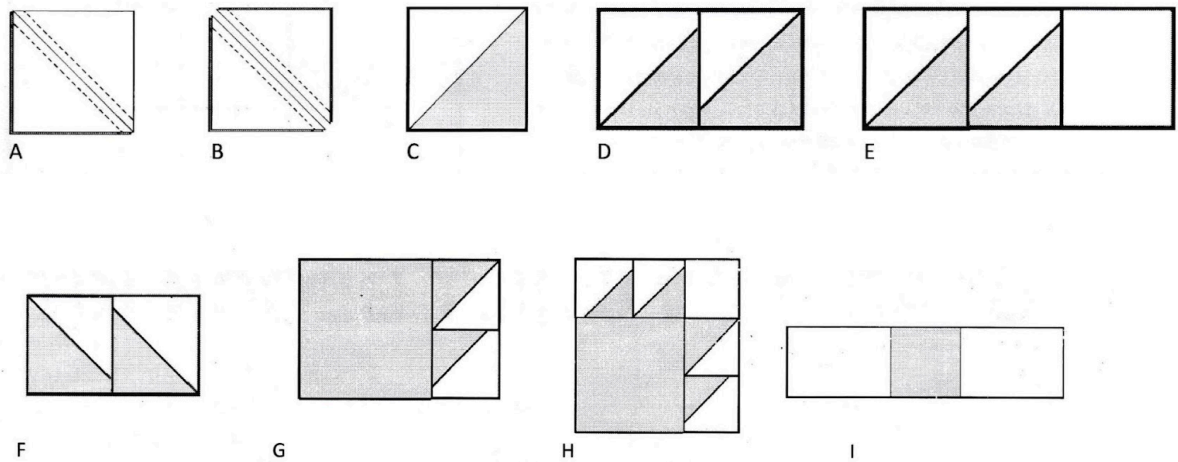
8 - 1  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch squares, dark blue for half square triangles;

4 - 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ " inch x 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch rectangles, light print or tan.



There are small dark and light squares that are 1  $\frac{7}{8}$  inch squares. These will be used to make half square triangles (HSTs). Place one small light square on a small dark square with right sides together (A). Mark a diagonal line from corner to corner and sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to either side of the drawn line. Cut apart on marked line (B). Open and press the seam toward the dark side (C) to create one HST. Create a total of 16 HST squares in this manner. Place 2 of the squares together as illustrated (D). Fold the squares together as if you are closing a book and sew together the "book binding edge". Open and press the seam to the dark triangle. Add one of

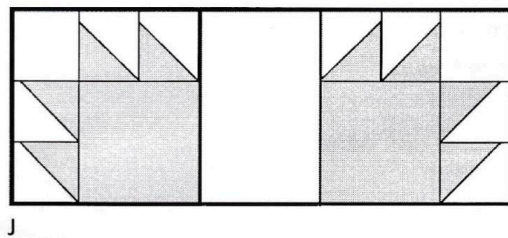
the smallest light squares at the end as in illustration (E). Create 4 rectangles.



Place two of the HSTs together as illustrated (F). Note that the diagonal is in the opposite direction from the first set. Fold the squares together (like you are closing a book), pin together and stitch the “book binding edge”. Open and press toward the dark triangle. Make 4. Stitch one of the rectangles shown in (F) to one of the large squares, positioned as shown (G). Add the assembled piece (E) as shown (H).

Sew 2 large rectangles to either side of the remaining large square (I).

Join one block as shown (H) to either side of a rectangle as shown (J).



Make 2 of these. Join one set shown (J) to the top of set shown (I) and add other to bottom to create the block shown in the first illustration. Press both seams to center. Lay block right side up and press, checking that block is square. It should ideally measure  $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$ . (Finishes as  $8 \times 8$  square after sewing this block into a quilt with  $\frac{1}{4}''$  seams.) You can help square the block if needed by pressing with steam and gently stretching.

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