

2007/2008 Block of the Month  
Kern County Album Quilt  
May: Bear Paw Variation Block

This is a variation on a traditional pieced block.  
You may use 3 to 10 colors. You need at least 1 light,  
1 medium, and 1 dark value, but 2 or more of each may  
be used for a scrappier look.

Materials:

Medium value: 4 3 1/2" squares  
Light value: 4 2" squares and 8 2 1/2" squares  
Dark value: 8 2 1/2" squares

Assembly:

1. Draw a diagonal line on the back of each light 2 1/2" square.
2. Place each light 2 1/2" square with a dark one, right sides together.
3. Pin and sew 1/4" on each side of line as in Figure 2.
4. Cut the square along the drawn line making two squares.  
Press seam allowances to dark side.
5. Trim squares to 2".
6. Join two squares as in Figure 3. Make 4 sets.
7. Join two squares as in Figure 4. Make 4 sets.
8. Take the units made in steps 6 & 7 and press seams toward the  
light triangles.
9. Take the unit made in step 7 and join to side of 3 1/2" square as in  
Figure 5. Press seam toward square.
10. Take unit from step 6 and join to 2" light square as in Figure 6.  
Press seam toward square.
11. Join units from steps 9 and 10. Make 4.
12. Rotate and join units as in Figure 1. Press.

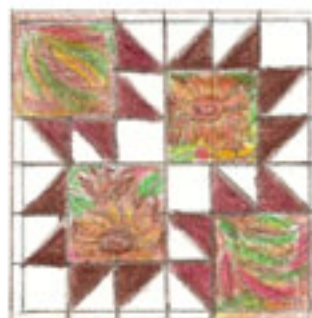


Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4



Figure 5



Figure 6