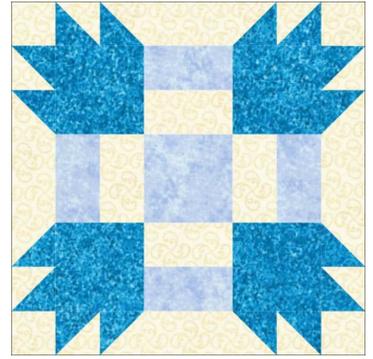


Santa Rosa Quilt Guild June Block of the Month

Due July 18, 2013

"Bear Paw Squared"



With summer approaching, we continue our journey through "Never Enough Nine Patch" with an original design created just for the SRQG *Block of the Month*.

"Bear Paw Squared" is a bit more challenging than the previous blocks we've made. As one of our members observed, it's got lots of "pointy things" ... but don't panic. This block will give you the chance to create the "Bear Paw", one of the classic pieced patterns, and who knows, you might be inspired to explore more of its variations.

Blocks will be due at our only July meeting, Thursday the 18th, and given away the first meeting in August.

Finished block is 12-1/2" square, unfinished; 12" square finished. Sew scant 1/4" seams.

Fabric:

Fabric #1: white tone-on-tone -

- A. 5" squares (2)
- B. 2" square (4)
- C. 2" x 15" strips (2)



A



B



C

Fabric #2: light or medium blue -

- D. 3-1/2" square (1)
- E. 2" x 15" strip (1)



D



E

Fabric #3: medium or dark -

- F. 5" squares (2)
- G. 3-1/2" squares (4)



F



G

Color combinations should be either medium blue square with dark blue paws, or light blue square with medium blue paws.

Square Assembly:

1. Sew two C strips to either side of the E strip right sides together. Press to E. Finished strip should be 5" wide.



Square Assembly (cont.):

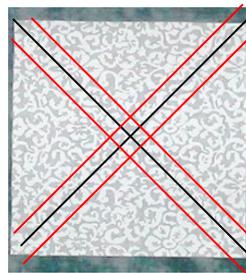
- Cut the assembled strip into 3-1/2" X 5" blocks. **MAKE 4**



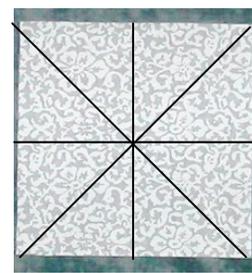
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Bear Paw Assembly:

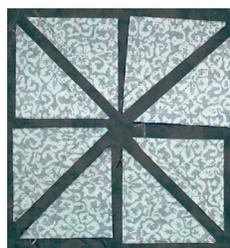
- Place one 5" white square right side together with one 5" blue paw square. **MAKE 2**
- Draw diagonals in both directions. Sew scant 1/4" from diagonals (red lines at right)
- Cut on all the black lines to create 8 Half Square Triangles (HST's) each set, for a total of 16.
- Press HST's to paw fabric. Trim to 2" square.
- Sew two sets of HST's with the points oriented as shown in #7.
- Sew one set of HST pairs to the 3-1/2" fabric G, and the other set of HST pairs to the 2" fabric B. **BE CERTAIN POINTS ARE ORIENTED CORRECTLY.** Press to dark if possible.
- Sew top row to bottom row, press to dark.



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Block Assembly:

- Lay out the pieces as shown in figure 10 with the 3-1/2" fabric D in the center.
- Sew the pieces in the rows together, Press away from paws.
- Sew the three rows together. Press away from paws.



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Your "Bear Paw Squared" quilt might look like this.

