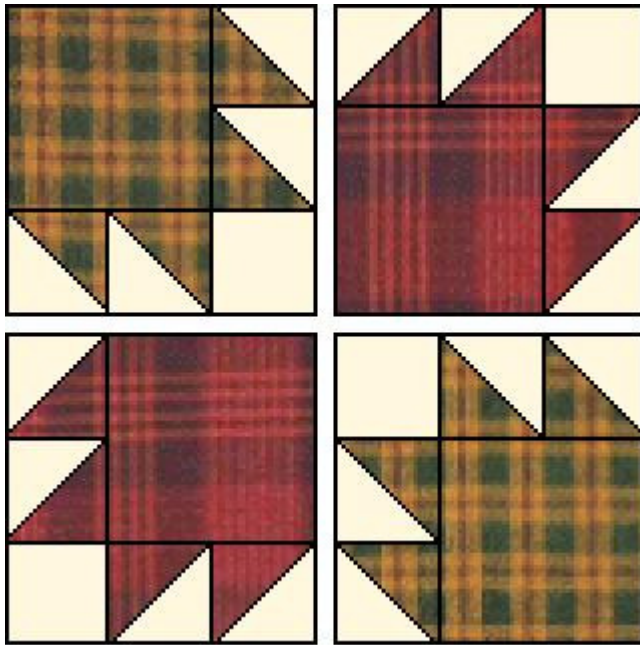


Bear Tracks

This block is a version of the basic four patch block because of the number of grid spaces in it's design.

****Always add a 1/4 inch seam allowance to each pattern piece before cutting.****



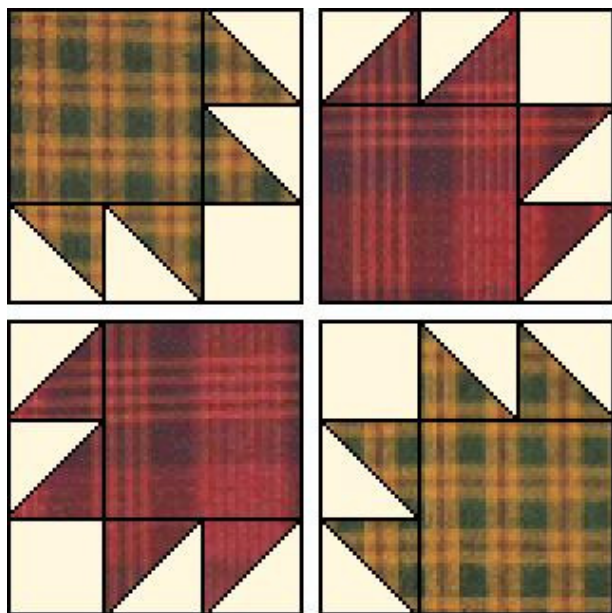
This is the Bear Tracks block. It is the #7 block in the Sampler Quilt.

12" total block size finished,
12 1/2" unfinished

Similar to the Simple Nine Patch Block, the Bear Track block will be constructed in rows. However, it only has 2 rows of 2 units (4 patches) instead of 3 rows of 3 units (9 patches). Therefore, it is one of many "4-patch" block styles.

All rows are the same height, and have similar components. Be watchful of the placement of your fabrics so the finished design will look like the photo.

Stitch the block in rows. Then stitch the rows together to form the block, just as the Simple Nine Patch Block was formed.



Bear Tracks Block

FINISHED SIZES:

2 inch half square-triangle squares

4 inch squares

CUT SIZES:

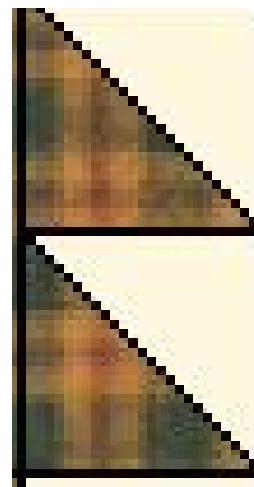
4 1/2 inch solid square (A)

Two 6 1/2 inch background squares

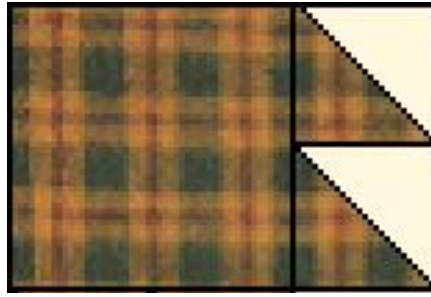
One 6 1/2 "toes" square (1 each color)

Steps:

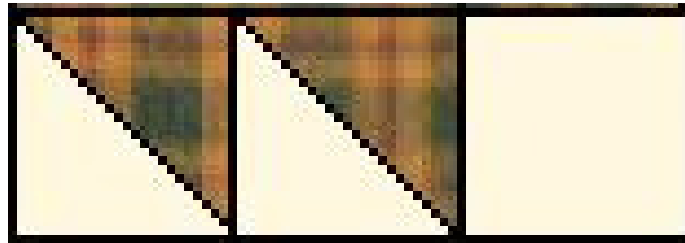
1. Select two contrasting fabrics, and a background fabric for this block. (Note: the border fabric can be one of the contrasting fabrics.)
2. Cut 2 squares of each coordinating fabric (A, B) that measures 4 1/2" each.
3. Cut 1 square of each coordinating fabric (A, B) that measure 6 1/2" each.
4. Cut 1 square of background fabric (C) that measures 4 1/2".
5. Place the 6 1/2" background fabrics face-together with each of the coordinating fabrics to make two sets of 6 1/2 inch squares.
6. Place the 2" triangle paper grid on top of each of these sets. Shorten your stitch length on you machine. Sew on the dashed lines. Cut on the solid lines.
7. Remove the triangle paper by tearing from the point downwards and out.
8. Open each triangle block and press the seam to the dark side. You will now have 8 sets of triangle blocks for each coordinating fabric.
9. Trim each triangle block to an exact 2 1/2 un-finished block size.
10. Work with each of the four "paws" separately.
11. Sew two of the triangle block together to form a unit.



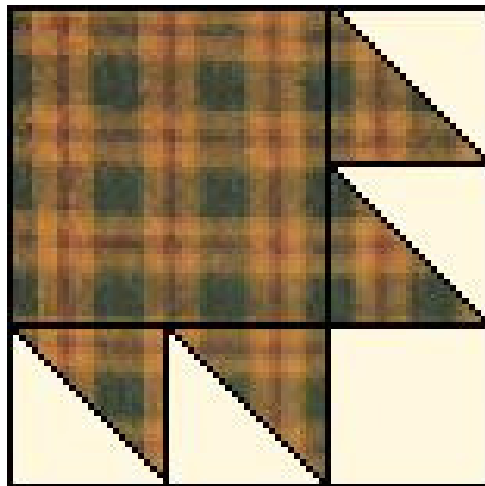
11. Sew this unit to the right of the "paw" square of matching fabric.



12. Sew the second set of "toes" together. Be careful to make sure they are pointing in the correct direction. Add the corner background square to form this unit:



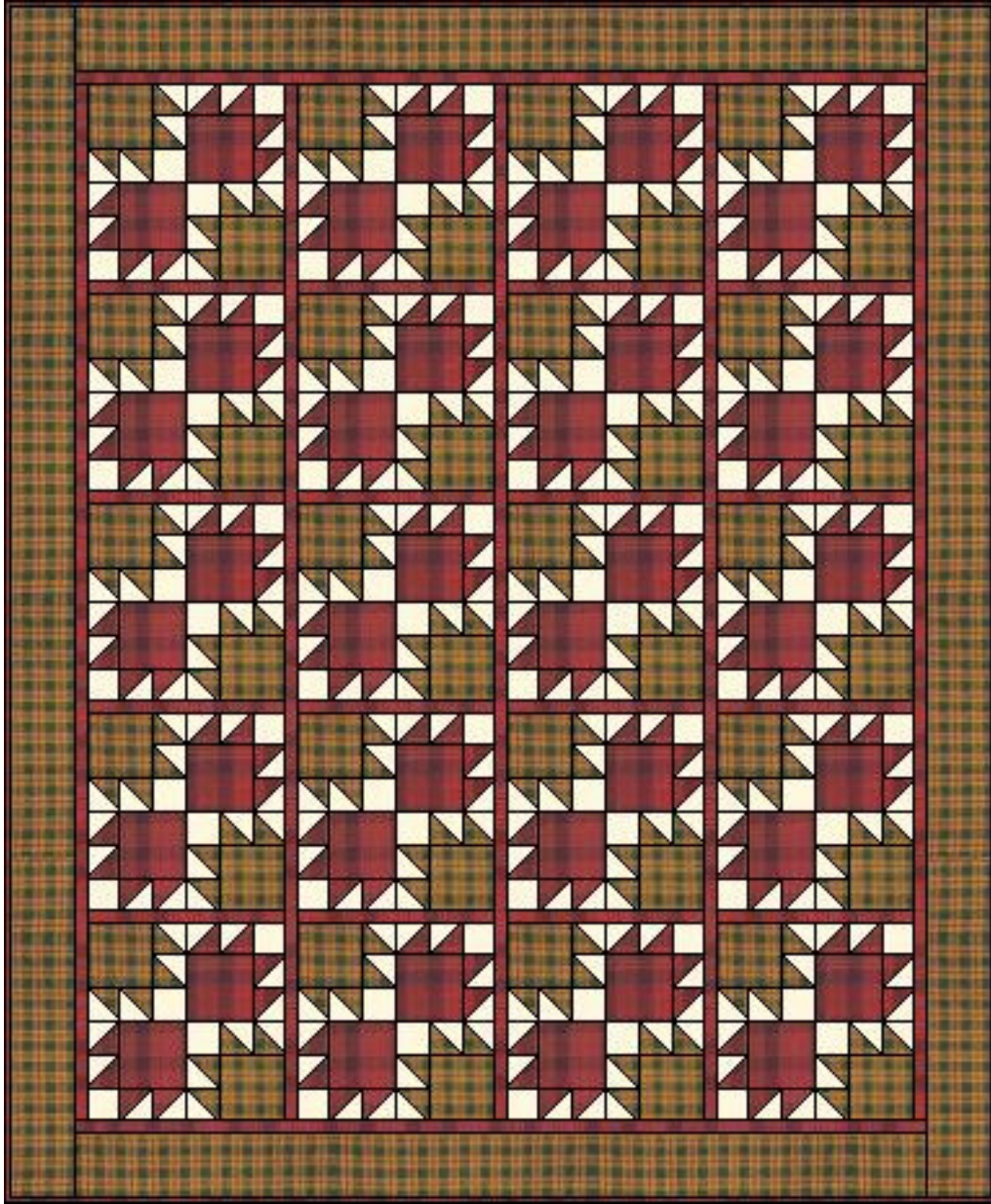
13. Combine these units to create one "bear paw".



13. Repeat with the same fabrics to create the 2nd bear paw unit.

14. Repeat with the coordinating fabric to create two bear paw units of that fabric.

15. Combine all four of the paws to create the Bear Paw Block.



This quilt is constructed of twenty Ohio Star Blocks (five rows of 4 blocks each)
Each block measures 12 1/2 inches when completed and is a finished size of 12 inches each when sewn together. The inside sashing and inside border is 1" finished and 1 1/2" cut width. The outside border is 8" finished and 8 1/2" cut width.
The entire quilt measures 69" wide by 82" long.

The size of the quilt could be changed by increasing the sashing and border widths, adding more blocks wide or long, or all of the above!