

August 2024 - Block of the Month

Bear Claw-Under Ground Railroad



Materials Needed: (Cutting mat, Ruler to allow trimming the half square triangles to the right size, Ruler to trim the final 4-component block to 10 inches, rotary cutter, thread, and iron)

To make one 10" Bear Claw block, you will need:

1. One dark fat quarter of your choice
2. One light fat quarter of your choice

Instructions:

1. You will cut: Four 4" squares; Eight 3" squares of dark and eight 3" light Squares and Four 2 ¼" light squares.
2. Make half-square triangles of the 3" blocks. Trim them to 2 ¼" and press.
3. Sew two HSTs together with the points pointing to the right on 4 sets and to the left on 4 sets. Press seams.
4. Place the 4" square at the bottom left and the 2 ¼" square to the upper right.
5. Sew a HST pair with the points facing left to the righthand side of the 4" square. Press seams.
6. Place a HST pair with the points facing right on the top edge of the 4" square and attach to the light 2 ¼" square. Press.
7. Arrange these in a pleasing pattern then sew together.



One subblock ready to assemble. Overall block should be 10"