# Pieced Block presented at the July $15{ }^{\text {th }}$ Meeting (please bring completed blocks to the September $9^{\text {th }}$ Meeting) 

## Bear Paw Block

## Fabric:

1. Cream:
a. Cut 8 squares $2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times 21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ for Half-Square Triangle (HST) units.
b. Cut 5 squares $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ (use 4 for the corners and 1 for the center).
2. Brown:
a. Cut 8 squares $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ for Half-Square Triangle (HST) units.
b. Cut 4 rectangles $2^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$.
3. Plaid (any combination of brown, gold, red, cream, etc.): Cut 4 squares $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 2$.


## Piecing Instructions:

1. Lay a Cream $2^{1 / 2 \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$ square on top of each Brown $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$ square (right sides together) and draw a line diagonally (corner to corner) on the cream fabric then sew a scant $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ on each side of the drawn line as shown.

2. Cut along the center drawn lines (aligning your ruler's 45 angle on the seam line) then open each HST unit and press towards the Brown fabric to form a total 16 HST units then trim each unit to $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$.

3. Using a Cream 2" $\times 2^{\prime \prime}$ square and 2 HST units from Step 2 above, assemble a unit as shown and press towards the Cream square. **Repeat 3 times to form a total of 4 of these units.


Note: When performing Steps 3 and 4, take care to note the orientation of the half-square triangle units!
4. Using a Plaid $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 2$ square and 2 HST units from Step 2 above, assemble a unit as shown and press towards the Plaid fabric.
**Repeat 3 times to form a total of 4 of these units.

5. Create4 corner units by sewing a Step 3 unit to each Step 4 unit as shown in the upper left corner on the right.
6. Arrange the Step 5 corner units, the Brown $2^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles, and the Cream 2" $\times 2^{\prime \prime}$ square into 3 rows as shown.
7. Sew the pieces in each row together then press the seams towards the Brown rectangles in each row.
8. Sew the 3 rows together and press the seams.

Note: Your block should now measure exactly 11" x 11".


