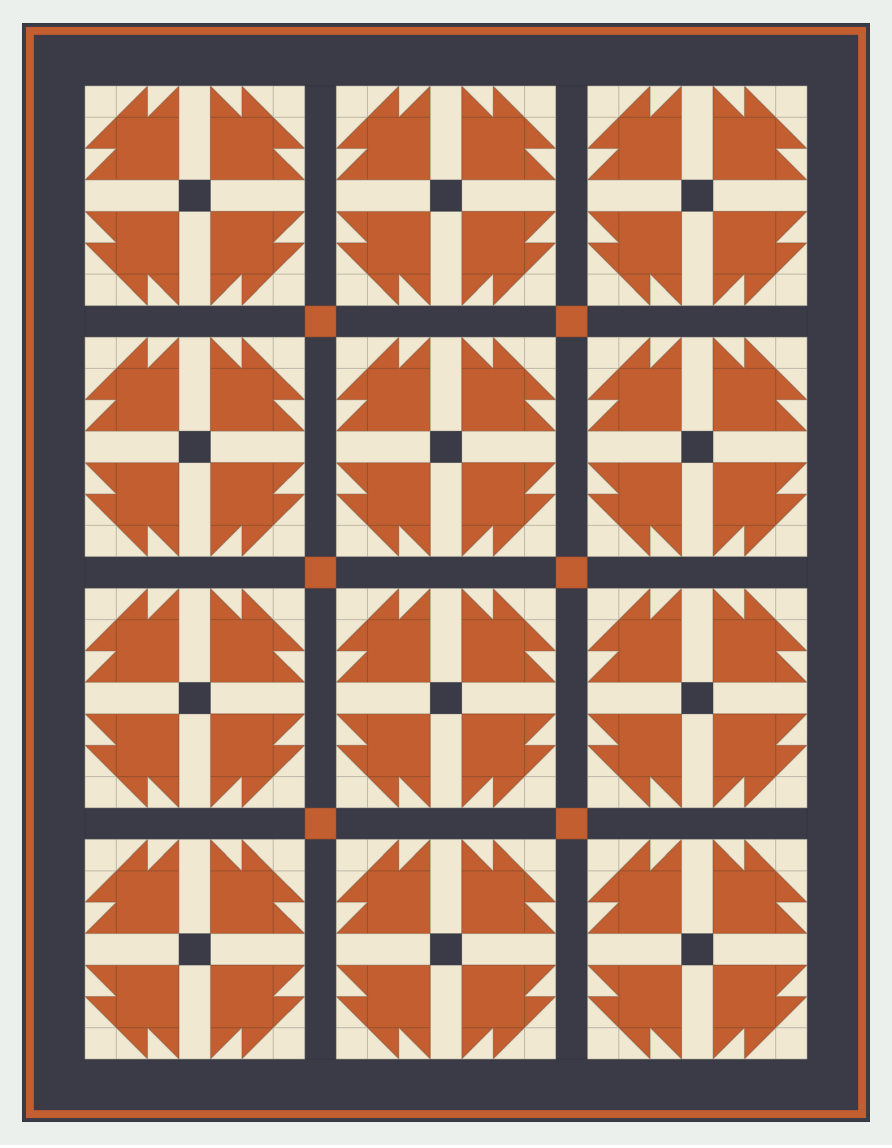
Bear's paw lap quilt

Intermediate · 54 × 70" finished · 12 blocks of 14" · 3 across × 4 down



A 14" traditional block with claws of half-square triangles. Big blocks, so a lap quilt goes quickly.

Fabric requirements

A · Rust **2 yd**

13 strips across the fabric = 47⅛"; Binding: 7 strips × 2½" = 17½"; Total 64⅝", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 2 yd

B · Cream **1½ yd**

13 strips across the fabric = 47⅛"; Total 47⅛", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 1½ yd

C · Charcoal **1½ yd**

9 strips across the fabric = 22½"; Border: 6 strips × 4½" = 27"; Total 49½", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 1½ yd

D · Backing **3⅝ yd**

Backing: 2 pieces × 62" = 124"; Total 124", plus ⅛ yd extra, rounded up to 3⅝ yd

Total to buy (⅛ yd extra per fabric) **8⅝ yd**

Quilting cotton 42" usable width. All cut sizes include ¼" seam allowances. Batting at least 62 × 78" (Twin (72 × 90")). 90% of the fabric you cut ends up in the quilt.

Units to sew

- 192 half-square triangles (Rust + Cream), 2" finished, trim to 2½"

Cutting plan

Cut strips across the width of the fabric, selvage to selvage, then cut each strip into pieces. Letters and numbers (A1, B2 …) match the pieces in the blocks.

A · Rust (2 yd)

1. **Cut 7 strips 2½" × width of fabric for the binding.**
   - Join end to end with diagonal seams, press open, then fold in half lengthwise and press.
2. **Cut 5 strips 4½" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 9 squares 4½ × 4½" (A1).
3. **Cut 1 strip 4½" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 3 squares 4½ × 4½" (A1).
   - From the rest of the strip, cut 9 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (A2), trimming the strip end to 2⅞" first.
4. **Cut 6 strips 2⅞" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 14 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (A2).
5. **Cut 1 strip 2⅞" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 3 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (A2).
   - From the rest of the strip, cut 6 squares 2½ × 2½" (A3), trimming the strip end to 2½" first.

Piece	Cut	Size	Shape	Then
A1	48	4½ × 4½"	squares	

Piece	Cut	Size	Shape	Then
A2	96	2⅞ × 2⅞"	squares	Pair each with a square of Cream (B2), draw a diagonal, sew ¼" either side, cut on the line. Makes 2 half-square triangles per pair; trim to 2½".
A3	6	2½ × 2½"	squares	

B · Cream (1½ yd)

1. **Cut 3 strips 6½" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 16 rectangles 2½ × 6½" (B1).
2. **Cut 6 strips 2⅞" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 14 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (B2).
3. **Cut 1 strip 2⅞" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 12 squares 2⅞ × 2⅞" (B2).
   - From the rest of the strip, cut 3 squares 2½ × 2½" (B3), trimming the strip end to 2½" first.
4. **Cut 2 strips 2½" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 16 squares 2½ × 2½" (B3).
5. **Cut 1 strip 2½" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 13 squares 2½ × 2½" (B3).

Piece	Cut	Size	Shape	Then
B1	48	2½ × 6½"	rectangles	
B2	96	2⅞ × 2⅞"	squares	Pair each with a square of Rust (A2), draw a diagonal, sew ¼" either side, cut on the line. Makes 2 half-square triangles per pair; trim to 2½".
B3	48	2½ × 2½"	squares	

C · Charcoal (1½ yd)

1. **Cut 6 strips 4½" × width of fabric for the border.**
   - Join end to end with straight seams, then cut 2 × 62½", 2 × 54½".
2. **Cut 1 strip 2½" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 2 rectangles 2½ × 14½" (C1).
   - From the rest of the strip, cut 1 square 2½ × 2½" (C2).
3. **Cut 7 strips 2½" × width of fabric.**
   - From each strip, cut 2 rectangles 2½ × 14½" (C1).
4. **Cut 1 strip 2½" × width of fabric.**
   - From the strip, cut 1 rectangle 2½ × 14½" (C1).
   - From the rest of the strip, cut 11 squares 2½ × 2½" (C2).

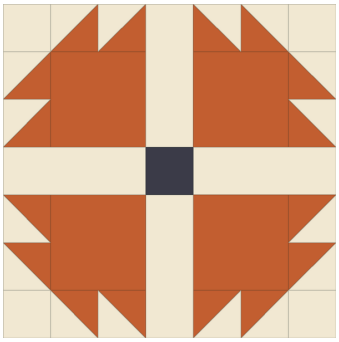
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C1	17	2½ × 14½"	rectangles	
C2	12	2½ × 2½"	squares	

D · Backing (3⅝ yd)

1. **For the backing, cut 2 pieces 62" long.**
   - Trim the selvages and join along the long edges with ½" seams.

The blocks

Each block finishes at 14" (14½" unfinished, with seam allowances).



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Putting it together

1. Sew 12 blocks. Lay them out 3 across × 4 down with sashing between them, and sew them into rows, then sew the rows together. The quilt top measures 46 × 62" (finished) before borders.
2. Border 1: 4" finished, in Charcoal. Sew the side borders first, then the top and bottom.
3. Backing: 62 × 78" in 2 pieces, joined with ½" seams.
4. Layer backing, batting (62 × 78" or bigger) and top, and quilt.
5. Binding: join 7 strips 2½" wide with diagonal seams (about 279" long), fold in half lengthwise and sew around the edge.

Make it any size, plan it from your own fabric and tick off every cut at quiltkind.com. This pattern online: https://quiltkind.com/patterns/bears-paw/

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