

Teddy Bear Block of the Month 2010  
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Teddy Bear BOM will be a 10 month series consisting of 9 Teddy Bear blocks, setting and sashing the blocks, and borders and finishing. Each month a new free block and directions will be added. All blocks will remain on the site until November 15, 2010. At that date the blocks will be added to the pattern section of our site and offered for sale.

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### General Directions

All blocks will finish at 10" - unfinished blocks will be 10½" x 10½". The appliqué pieces are reversed and ready for fusible appliqué. Hand appliqué can be done by reversing the given pattern pieces and adding a ¼" seam allowance.

Follow the directions for the fusible web you are using. Using a donut method of cutting the fusible web out of the center of large pieces before fusing to the fabrics will make the finished product less stiff.

Edge stitching of the appliqués can be done using a satin stitch, machine blanket stitch or a hand blanket stitch. \*Note: I have matched the satin stitch thread to the appliqué pieces so I layer and do the stitching as I go. This allows me to cover thread ends with the next appliqué and eliminates tying of thread ends.

Directions for making the attic window are given in month 1. These will be used in each month. Some appliqué is done before the attic window sashing strips are sewn in place. Some appliqué is done on top of these strips. Be sure to read the directions for each month before beginning the block.

A kit containing all fabrics for the quilt top, borders and binding is available for \$39.50.

Fabrics:

9 - fat quarters of light colors for background of bear blocks  
3 light and 3 dark fat quarters of brown for bears  
1/3 yd. each dark gray and light gray for first sashing. (These can be a wood looking fabric).  
1/2 yd. black for second sashing, eyes and noses  
10" square white for eyes

Cut a 2" strip of the black for eyes and noses.

Cut a 4 1/2" x 22" strip from each background color for outside border.  
Cut a 2 1/2" x 22" strip from each background color for binding.

2 yds. Fusible web

### Theodora Block 1

Trace all appliqué pieces to the fusible web using the directions for the product you are using. Add 1/4" seam allowance to all pieces that touch the outside edge of the block. Cut out fusible leaving a small margin around all pieces. Press to the wrong side of the fabric and cut out on the drawn line.

Cut a background piece 8 3/4" x 8 3/4".

Appliqué pieces 1 - 10, edge stitch.  
Satin stitch her smile.

Appliqué her nose, piece 11. Her paws will be added after the attic window slashing in in place.

\*Make the attic window: Cut one 2 3/4" x 12" strip from each of the light gray and dark gray. If the fabric has a wood look is sure the grain of the wood is going the 12" way of the fabric, like wood on a window sill would be.

Lay the two strips right sides together, dark on the bottom and light on the top and cut a 45° angle. Measure 1/4" from the top of the strip, draw a short line. Measure 1/4" along the angle cut and draw a short line intersection the

first line. Stitch from the point where the lines intersect to the point of the angle.



It is important the strips are as pictured so the sashing fits properly.

Mark a point  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the bottom edge and from the left edge of the teddy bear background block. Put a pin through the first stitch on the dark strip and into the point on the background block. Begin stitching exactly at this point lining up the edges to the end of the block. The strip will be longer than the block.

Turn the block and stitch the light gray strip to the bottom of the block starting at the first stitch on the background fabric.

Press the angled seam open and the block seams to the gray sashing strips.\*

Position Theodora's paws so they extend onto the light gray sashing. Press in place and edge stitch.

Square the block to  $10\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $10\frac{1}{2}$ ". Window section should be  $8\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".