\$3.31 Quilt - the Polar Bear

Our second block celebrates the polar bear as seen on the twoonie since in introduction in 1996. This block has a finished size of 26" x 14.5".

If you are making the lap size quilt, you will need one polar bear block. If you are making the queen size version, you will need to create two of these blocks in mirror image from one another. Graphics are provided to create the block facing both directions.



Block facing leftQueen size only, make 1



Block facing rightLap size and queen size, make 1

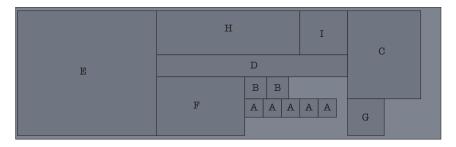
CUTTING GUIDE - cut double for queen size quilt

Note that all BACKGROUND pieces are marked with capital letters and all other pieces are marked with lowercase letters.

Piece	#	Size (inches)	POLAR BEAR LIGHT			POLAR BEAR LIGHT cont'd		
BACKGROUND			d	3	1 x 1	C		cont a
A	5	1.25 x 1.25	e	1	1.5 x 1.5	r	1	11.5 x 9.5
В	2	1.5 x 1.5	f	1	1.75 x 1.25	S	1	3 x 3
C	1	6 x 5	_	1	3.5 x 1.25	POLAR BEAR DARK		
	-		g			t	1	2 x 2
D	1	13 x 1.5	h	1	3.25 x 2	u	1	1.25 x 1.25
Е	1	9.5 x 8.5	i	1	2 x 1.5	v	1	2.5 x 2.5
F	1	6 x 4	j	1	4.25 x 1.75		-	
G	1	2.5 x 2.5	k	1	6 x 5	W	2	6 x 2.5
Н	1	9.75 x 3	1	1	6 x 1.5	POLAR BEAR MEDIUM		
I	1	3.25 x 3	m	1	2 x 1	x	1	2.5 x 2.5
EYE/NOSE/MOUTH		n	1	4 x 2	y	1	3.25 x 3.25	
a	1	1.75 x 1.25	o	1	6 x 2.5	z	1	6 x 4
b	1	1.75 x 1.75	p	2	2.5 x 2.5			
c	1	2 x 2	q	1	14 x 4			1

FABRIC LAYOUT GUIDES FOR CUTTING (PER BLOCK)

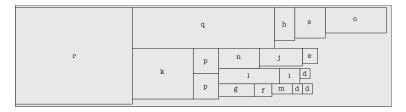
Background (from 9" x wof)



Eye/Nose/Mouth - black (from 2" x 6")



Polar Bear Light - white (from 10" x wof)



Polar Bear Dark - med. grey (from 3" x 20")

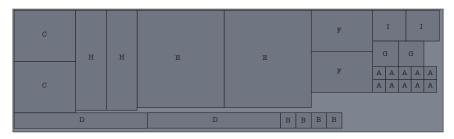


Polar Bear Medium - light grey (from 4" x 20")



FABRIC LAYOUT GUIDES FOR CUTTING (TWO BLOCK/QUEEN SIZE)

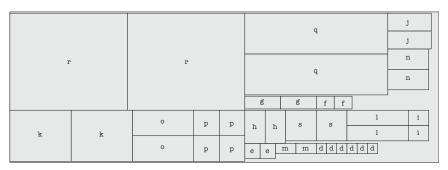
Background (from 12" x wof)



Eye/Nose/Mouth - black (from 2" x 12")



Polar Bear Light - white (from 15" x wof)

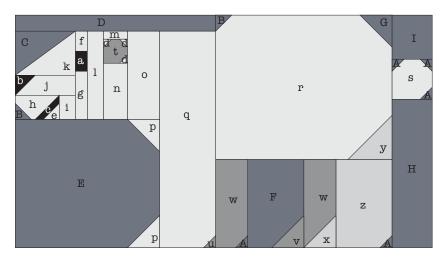


Polar Bear Dark - med. grey (from 3"x wof)

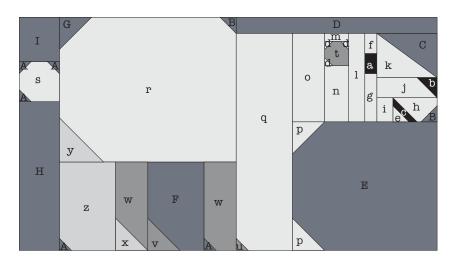


Polar Bear Medium - light grey (from 4" x wof)





Block facing left - queen size only, make 1



Block facing right - lap size and queen size, make 1

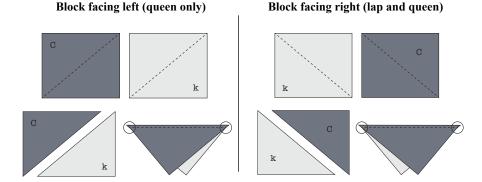
STEP 1 - Front Body Unit

Be sure to follow the diagrams of the version(s) of the block you are making, facing left, facing right or both.

Cut piece C and piece k in half diagonally, as shown.

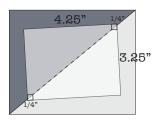
Sew two halves of these pieces together along the long diagonal side, as shown. *The dimensions of this unit should be approximately 4.75" x 5.75"*.

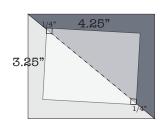
Note that when you sew these together, you should have an overhang on either side of the seam allowance edge. The outer edges of these pieces should meet 1/4" down from the diagonal edges, as shown.



Once pressed, trim the C/k unit to measure 4.25" x 3.25" in a way that the seam the unit in half with the seam intersecting the point 1/4" in from the two opposing corners.

To do this, you can create a template using template plastic or tracing paper. Trace a rectangle that measures 4.25 "x 3.25". In two opposing corners, draw two 1/4" squares representing the seam allowance. Connect the two inner most corners of the squared with a line representing the seam on the unit, as shown.





Stitch piece c to one of the bottom corners of piece h, as shown.

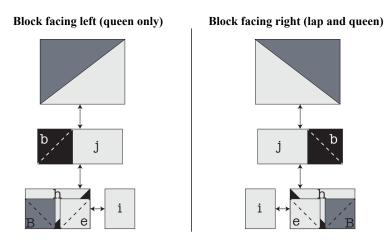


Once trimmed and pressed, stitch & flip one of the e pieces to the same corner as piece c and one of the B pieces to its opposite bottom corner, as shown.

Once trimmed and pressed, stitch piece I to the side of the h/B/e unit, as shown (4.25" x 2").

Stitch & flip piece b to one of the top corners of piece i, as shown.

Once trimmed and pressed, stitch the j/b unit, the I/h/B/e unit and the C/k unit in a sequence, as shown, creating the **Snout Unit** $(4.25" \times 6")$.



Sew the **f** piece, the **a** piece and the **g** piece in a sequence, as shown, creating the **Eye** Unit, as shown on the next page $(1.25" \times 6")$.

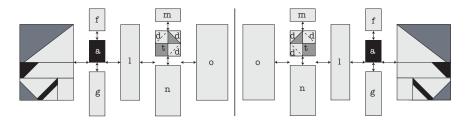
Stitch & flip the three \mathbf{d} pieces into three of the corners of piece \mathbf{t} , as shown on the next page.

Once trimmed and pressed, stitch the t/d/d/d unit, piece **m** and piece **n** in a sequence, as shown on the next page, creating the **Ear Unit** (2"x 6").

Once pressed, stitch the **Snout Unit**, the **Eye Unit**, piece **l**, the **Ear Unit** and the **o** piece in a sequence, as shown, creating the **Head Unit** (9.5" x 6").

Block facing left (queen only)

Block facing right (lap and queen)

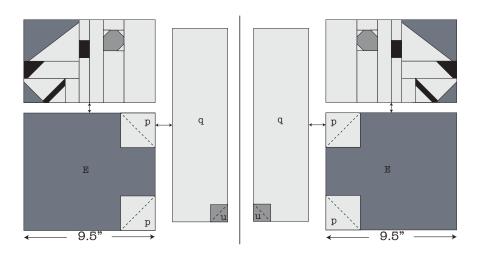


Stitch & flip the **p** pieces to one of the short sides of piece **E**, as shown.

Once trimmed and pressed, stitch the E/p/p unit to the bottom of the **Head Unit**, as shown $(9.5" \times 14")$.

Stitch & flip the ${\bf u}$ piece to one of the bottom corners of piece ${\bf q}$, as shown. Trim and press.

Stitch the q/u unit to the side of the **Head/E/p/p** unit, as shown, completing the **Front Body Unit** (13" x 14"). Place aside.

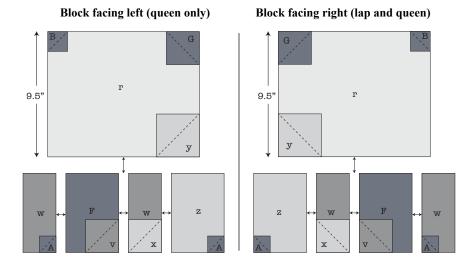


STEP 2 - Back Body Unit

Stitch & flip the remaining piece \mathbf{B} , piece \mathbf{G} and piece \mathbf{y} to three of the corners of piece \mathbf{r} , as shown. Trim and press.

Stitch & flip one of the A pieces to one of the bottom corners of one of the w pieces, piece \mathbf{v} to one of the bottom corners of piece \mathbf{F} , piece \mathbf{x} to one of the bottom corners of the remaining piece \mathbf{w} and one of the A pieces to one of the bottom corners of piece \mathbf{z} , as shown. Trim and press all four units.

Stitch the $\mathbf{w/A}$, the $\mathbf{F/v}$, the $\mathbf{w/x}$ and the $\mathbf{z/A}$ units in a sequence, as shown, creating the Legs Unit (11.5" x 6").



Once pressed, stitch the **Legs Unit** to the bottom of the r/B/G/y piece, as shown on the previous page, creating the **Main Body Unit** (11.5" \times 15").

Stitch & flip the three remaining A pieces to three of the corners of piece s, as shown on the next page.

Once trimmed and pressed, stitch s/A/A/A unit, piece I and piece H in a sequence, creating the Tail Unit, as shown on the next page $(3" \times 15")$.

Once pressed, stitch the **Tail Unit** to the **Main Body Unit**, as shown, completing the **Back Body Unit** (14" x 15").

Stitch piece **D** to the top of the **Front Body Unit**, as shown (13" x 15").

Once pressed, stitch the **Front Body Unit** to the **Back Body Unit**, completing the **Polar Bear Block** (26.5" x 15").

When you do this, you will want to match the point where the seam created by piece **D** and the **Front Body Unit** meets the seam created by piece **B** and piece **r** on the **Back Body Unit**, as marked on the diagram by a star.

