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The Brigitte Dress

This elegant tunic dress is a pleasure to make due to the sheer simplicity of its' construction. Brigitte can be made in lightweight fabrics for casual holiday/daytime wear or perhaps in heavier more luxurious fabrics for office and formal wear.

Suitable fabrics

Cottons, jersey, silk jersey, light to medium weight knits, suiting.

Size chart

			Yardage		Metres		
Size	Bust	Waist	Hips	45" Wide	55-60" Wide	45" Wide	55-60" Wide
8	33"	26"	36"	2 3/8yds	2 1/4 yds	2.1m	2m
10		28"	38"	2.5 yds	2 3/8 yds	2.2m	2.1m
12		_	40"	2.5 yds	2 3/8 yds	2.2m	2.1m
14	39"	32"	42"	2 5/8 yds	2.5 yds	2.3m	2,2m
16	41"	34"	44"	2 5/8 yds	2.5 yds	2.3m	2.2m

What you will need

- sewing machine
- scissors
- ø pins
- stailors' chalk (optional)
- thread (good quality)
- s iron on medium weight interfacing (0.2 metres)
- 22" concealed zip



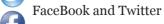
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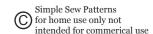


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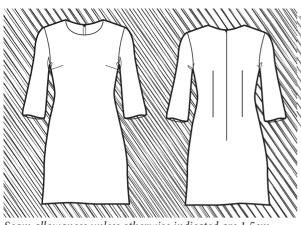


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Seam allowances unless otherwise indicated are 1.5cm. Follow pattern notches.

ayplan for 45 -wide fabric all sizes

MATERIALS:

- 2-2.5m of fabric according to dress size (see website pattern for recommended lengths)
- 0.2m iron-on medium weight interfacing
- √ 56cm concealed zip

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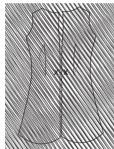
- 1 Front dress (cut 1 on fold)
- Back dress (cut 2)
- Sleeve (cut 2)
- 4 Front facing (cut 1 on fold)
- 5 Back facing (cut 2)

It is really important to launder your fabric (according to instructions) before you sew with it. This allows for shrinkage. On the pattern sheet there are labels you can cut out to pin onto your fabric pieces after you have cut them out to remind you which piece is which (handy if you cut out and leave to sew at a later date). You must then apply interfacing to the wrong side of your facing pieces. Finally you must overlock, or zigzag stitch all raw edges. These are: dress side seams, bottom edge of skirt pieces (hems), the bottom edge of the neckline facing and sleeve side seams and edges.

HOW TO MAKE:



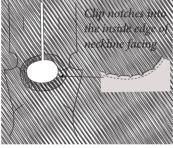
1 Pin/mark darts and stitch from the leg (widest end) to the point (x). Don't backstitch when you get to the end, tie a knot in the threads. Press dart upwards.



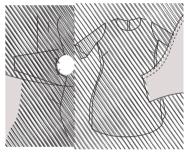
2 Pin/mark back darts in place and press towards centre back (x).



3 RST pin and then stitch the front and back dress at the shoulders. Press seam open.



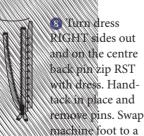
4 Join front and back facings together at shoulder seams and press seam open, then RST pin facing to dress neckline and stitch in place. Notch neckline facing. Turn back to inside of dress. Press flat.



6 Place sleeve RST with dress in the armhole curve, and ease into place. You may wish to make a row of gathering stitches (between X and Y) and gather sleeve to fit armhole curve.



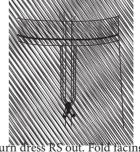
7 RST stitch down the side seam from the edge of sleeve to the bottom of dress hem. Press seam open.



zipper foot and stitch in place stitching close to the teeth. Repeat other side. Remove hand tacks.



Turn dress inside out and from the last stitch you made (x) continue to sew all the way down to the bottom of the dress.



so it falls over the top of the zip, so the facing and dress are RST. Stitch down the side of the zipper tape (through the facing). Fold facing back to inside of the dress and press flat.



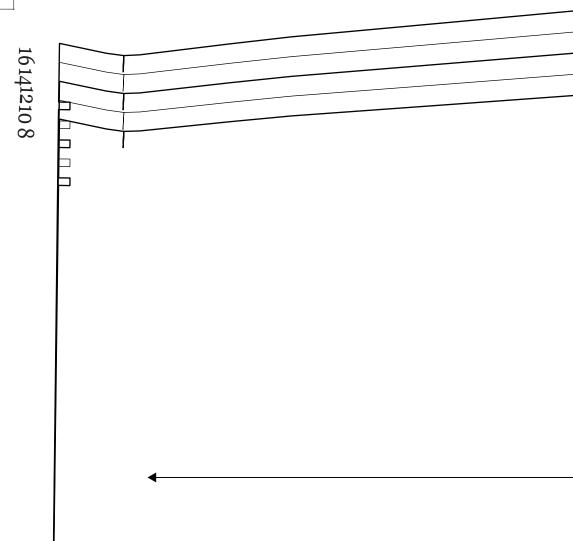
11 Turn up edge of dress hem by 0.5cm and iron flat, stitch close to edge, repeat. Give dress an overall good pressing.

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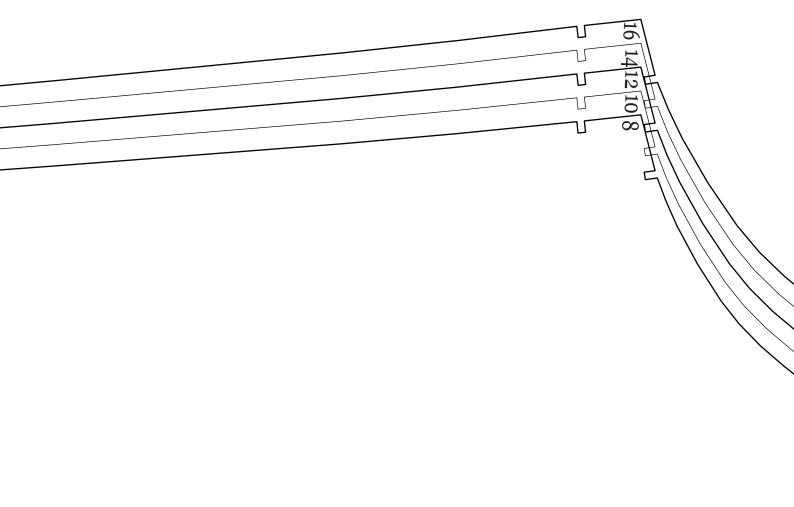


Stitch Line — — RST=right sides of fabric together

5cm Test Square



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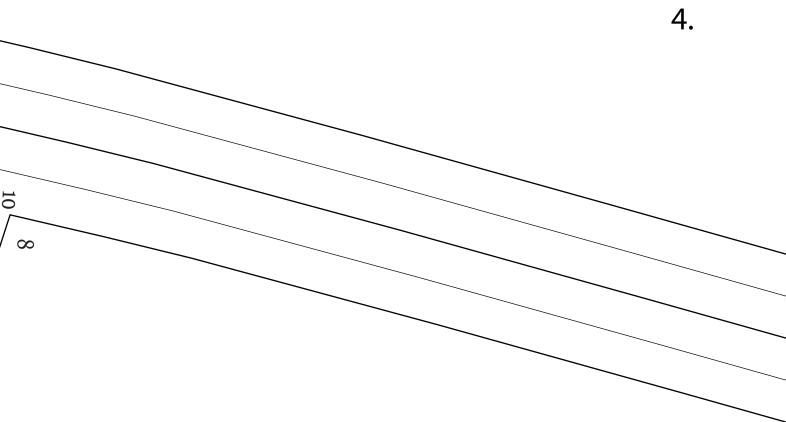


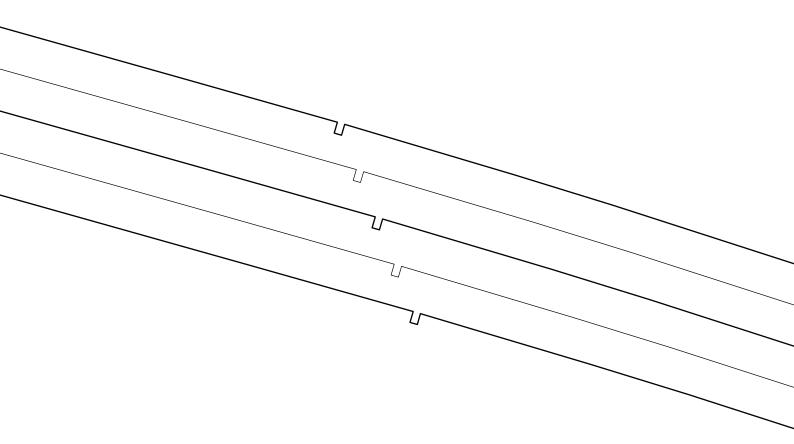




STRAIGHT GRAIN

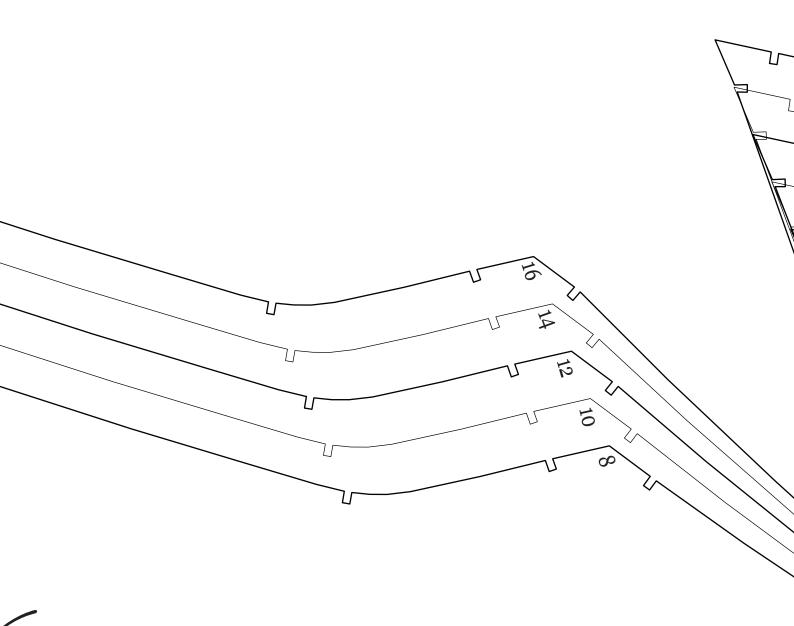






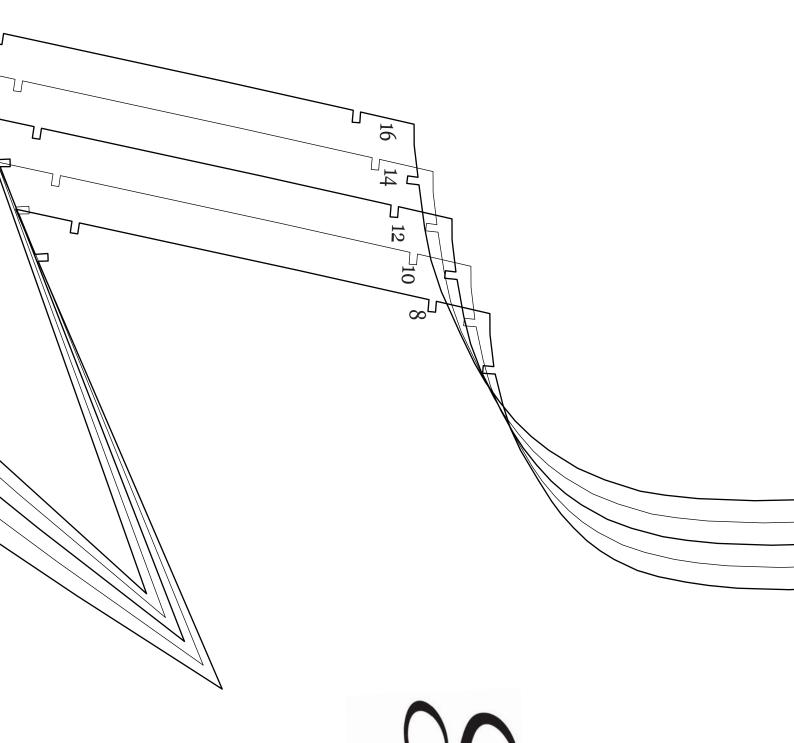
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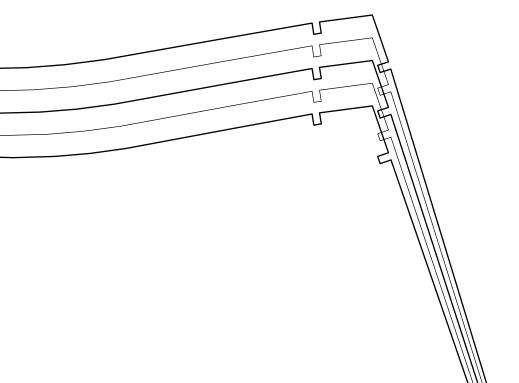


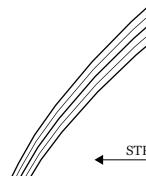


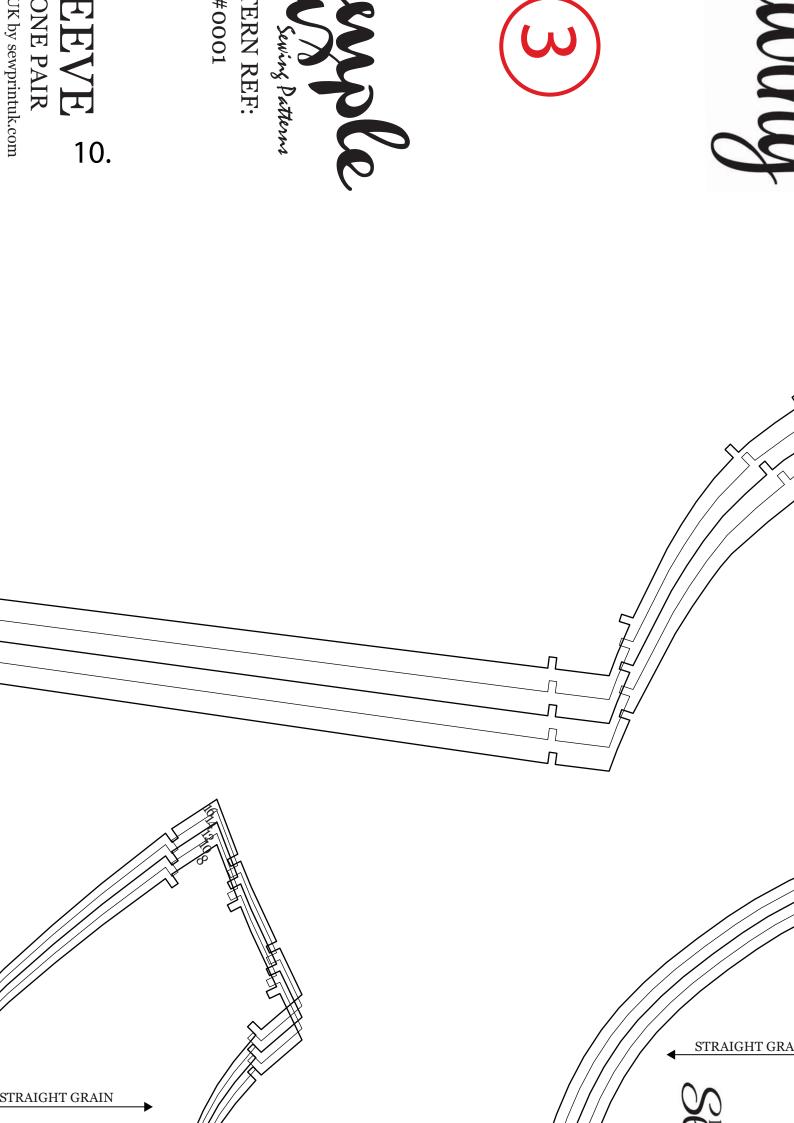


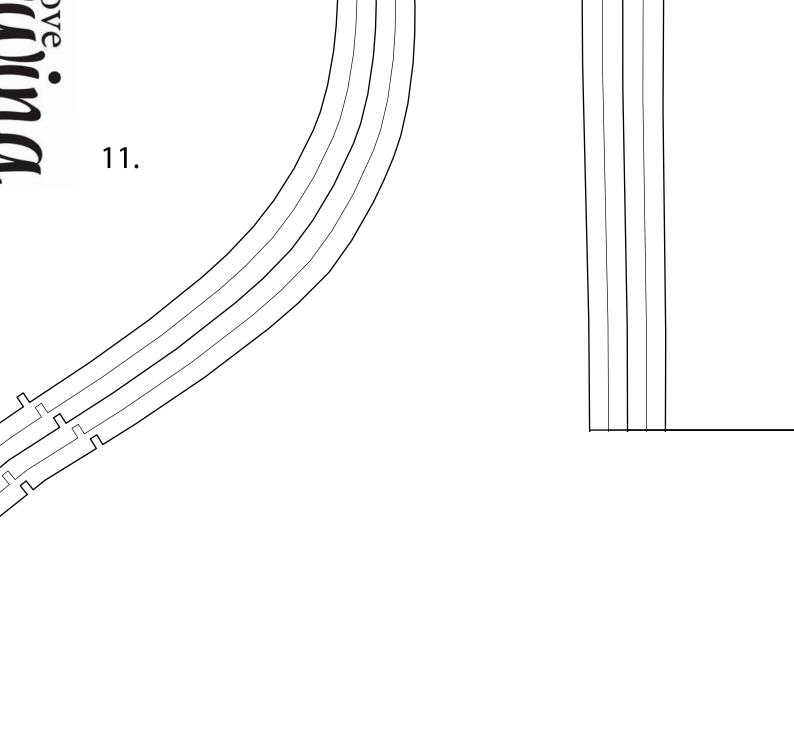






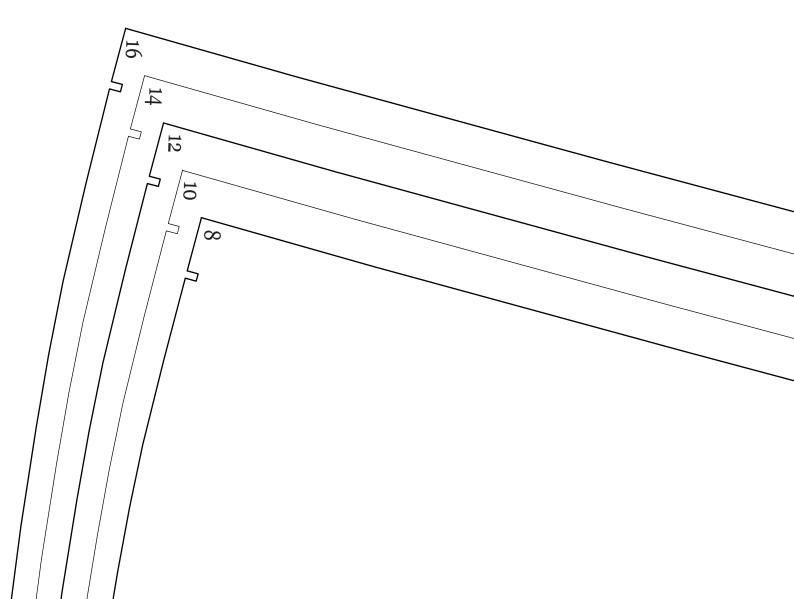












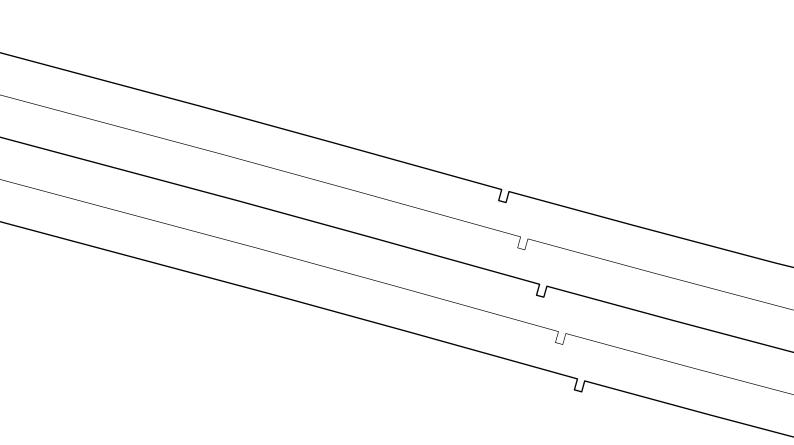
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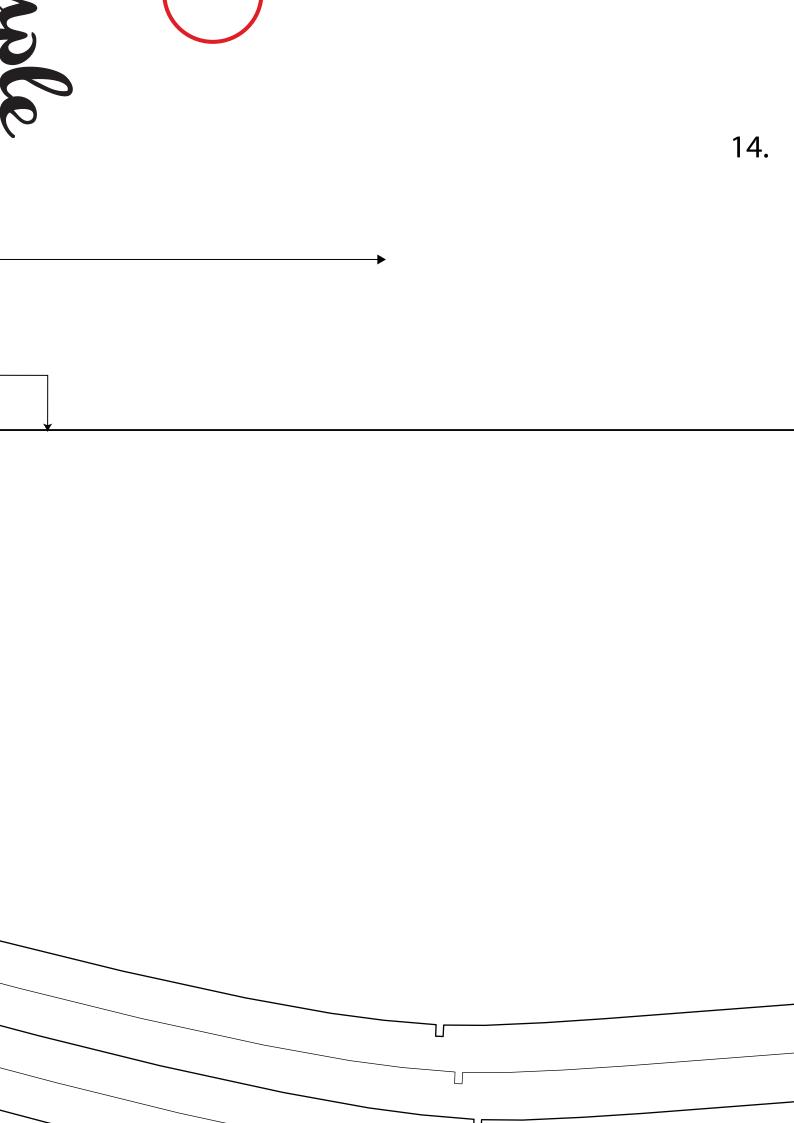
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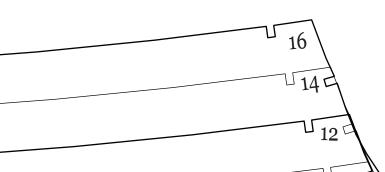
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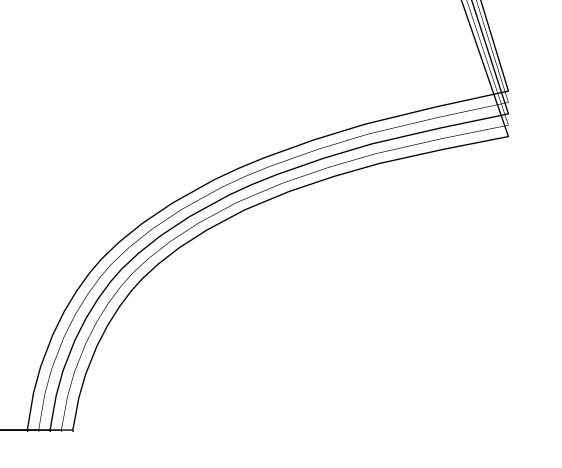
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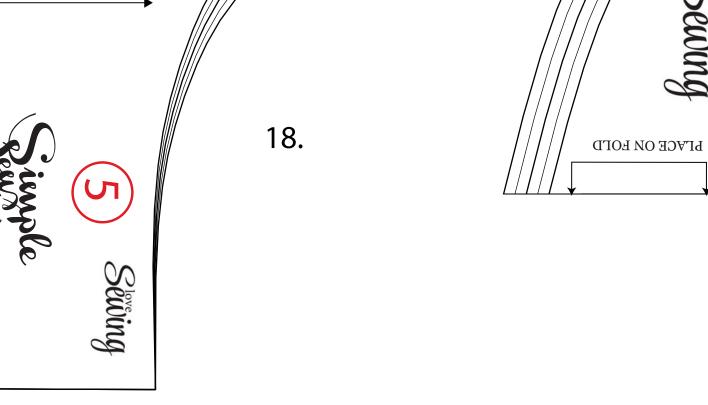


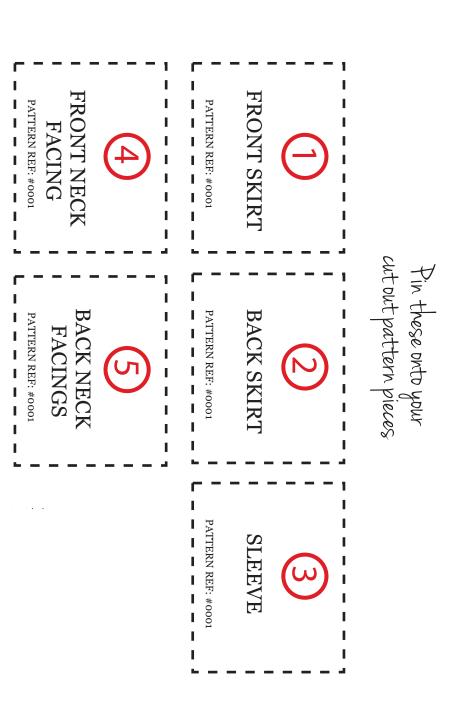


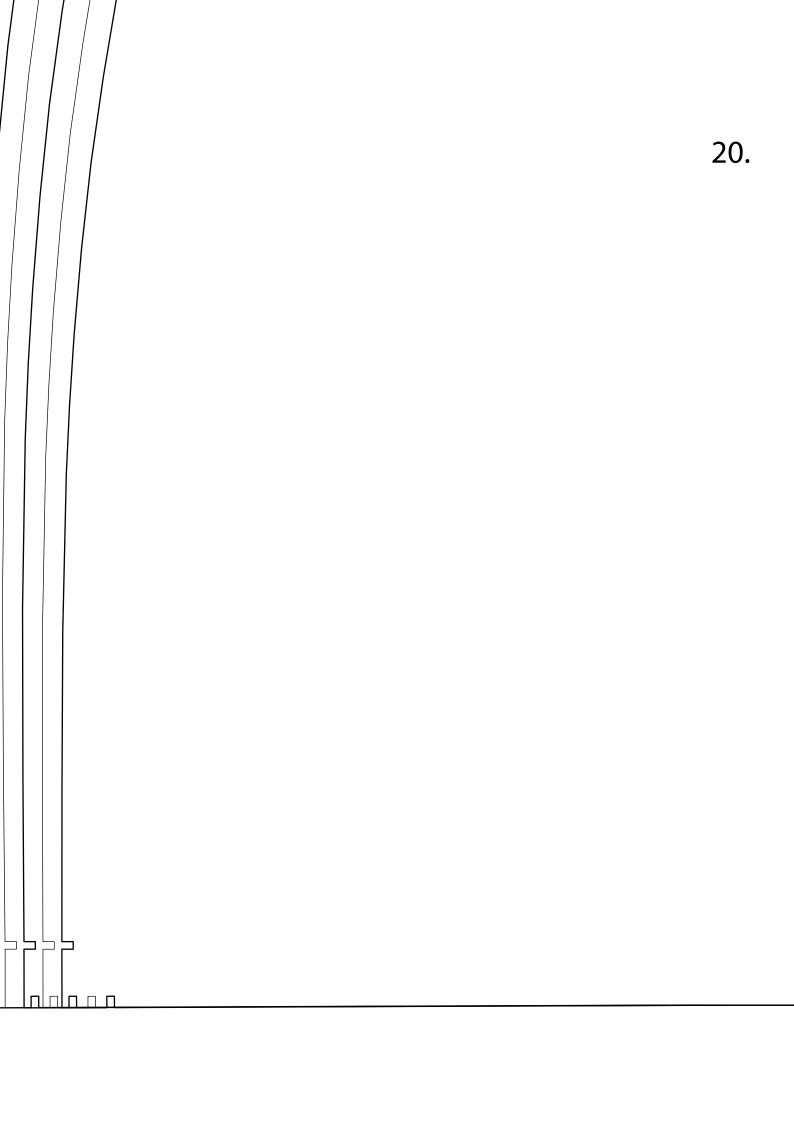












BACK DRESS CUT ONE PAIR





STRAIGHT GRA

