

All cuddled up

This super-cute baby jacket is the perfect gift for a newborn, and as it's sized six to 12 months, little ones won't outgrow your present too quickly!

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SKILL LEVEL: ++ ++ ++ ++

MATERIALS:

- 70cm cotton outer fabric
- 70cm lining fabric
- 1.8m piping
- 3 snaps
- zipper foot or another foot suitable for attaching piping

FINISHED SIZE:

Sleeves' span from cuff to cuff: 65cm
Height of front bodice from shoulder to bottom: 31cm
Width of back bodice: 35cm

NOTES:

Use cotton as outer fabric. The lining will depend on the baby's date of birth. Calculate when the baby will be seven months old. If that's wintertime, choose fleece or faux fur fabric. If the baby will be seven months old in summer, choose a jersey lining. For autumn or spring, line the jacket with plush or stretch terry cloth fabric.
All seam allowances are 1cm unless otherwise stated

CUTTING:

From the outer fabric, cut:

You can cut the mirrored pieces one at a time, but you could also fold the fabric and cut both pieces in one go.

Front: Cut two pieces of A: one right, one in mirror image.

Sleeve: Cut two pieces of B: one right, one in mirror image. Transfer the marks at the top to the wrong side of the fabric. Do not transfer the marks that indicate the opening for turning, as the opening will be marked in the lining's seam allowance.

Hood: Cut two pieces of C: one right, one in mirror image. Transfer the marks at the bottom edge to the wrong side of the fabric.

Back: Pattern piece D is only half the back bodice. Cut it on the fold. Indicate the centre of the pattern, all the way up in the neck on the wrong side of the fabric.

From the lining fabric, cut:

The same pieces from the lining. Transfer the marks that indicate the opening for turning to the sleeve. If you use fabric that tends to fray or pill, like plush or coral fleece, then finish the linings' edges with a zigzag or overlock stitch.

HOW TO MAKE:

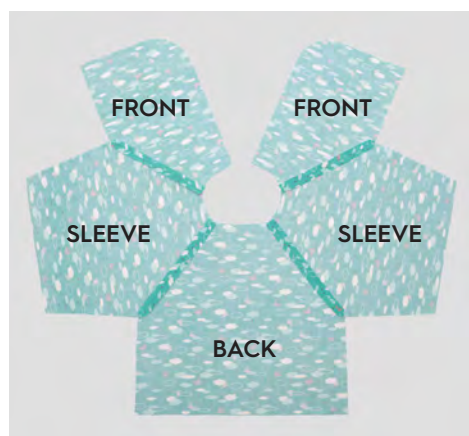
1 Take all pieces of outer fabric, except for the pieces that will make up the hood. Put them in a semicircle: front, sleeve, back, sleeve, front, as seen in the Layout diagram.

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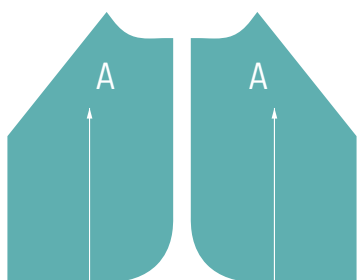
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LAYOUT DIAGRAM



CUTTING DIAGRAMS

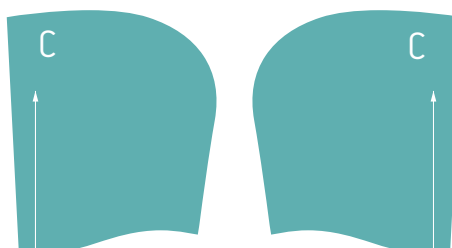
Front (1 x right,
1 x in mirror)



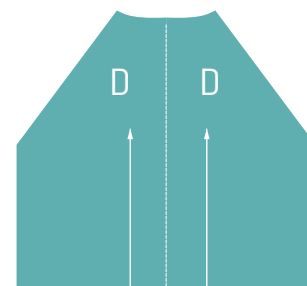
Sleeve (1 x right,
1 x in mirror)



Hood (1 x right,
1 x in mirror)



Back (1 x on the fold)



Make sure you align the right sides of the sleeves with the front and back. Pay special attention to the instructions on the pattern pieces.

2 Stitch the pieces together, right sides facing. Press the seams.

3 Put both pieces of the hood right sides together and sew along the curved edge.

4 Notch the seam allowance and press open. Use the edge of your ironing board or a towel to be able to properly press the seam.

5 Pin the hood to the jacket. Align the hood's centre seam with the centre back of the jacket, right sides facing. Pin the centre first. Then, on both sides, pin the front of the hood to the front of the jacket, align the marks on the hood to the marks on the sleeves. Pin the rest of the neckline in place.

6 Sew the hood to the jacket. Make sure the jacket is on top when sewing. This makes it easier to even out unintended tucks when stitching.

7 Press the seam open.

8 Fold the sleeves closed, right sides facing. Align the raw edges of front and back. The jacket is now taking shape.

9 Pin the side seams and sleeves right sides together. Start by pinning the armpit seam together. Place the pins in the seam allowance.

10 Stitch the seam you just pinned together. Do this on both sides. Go back and forth a few times, reinforcing the armpit seam.

11 Trim the armpit seam allowance to reduce bulk so it doesn't bunch up when the jacket is turned right side out. (See Pic A). The outer jacket is now finished. Leave it wrong side out and set aside.

12 Repeat steps 1 to 11 for the lining. Leave an opening for turning in one of the sleeves. There is no need to press or notch the seams, unless you use jersey and a regular sewing machine.

13 Set the lining aside and take the outer jacket. Attach the piping all around the raw edges of the jacket. Make sure the piping joins at the jacket's side seams.

14 Sew the lining to the jacket: put lining and jacket right sides together and make sure all seams are lined up. Start pinning at the side seams, then continue with the hood's seam. Put a few extra pins between the neckline and the side seam.

15 Pull apart the fabric and lining at the sleeves.

16 Fold the sleeve's lining about 5cm outward. (See Pic B)

17 Slip the outer sleeve back over the lining, right sides together. Ensure the raw edges of sleeve and lining line up. Make sure both sleeves' side seams are perfectly aligned. Be careful not to twist



the sleeve 180° or 360°, or you may end up with a sleeve through which you cannot manoeuvre a baby's arm. (See Pic C)

18 Pin all around the sleeve opening.

19 Stitch all around. Start at the seam and sew slowly. It may seem impossible to move this small opening under the pressure foot, but if you stop often and flatten a small part of the sleeve, you will be all right.

20 Turn the jacket through the opening and put the lining back inside the sleeves to give the jacket its final shape.

21 Use a chopstick or knitting needle to push out all seams through the opening. Carefully push out the sleeves' seams.

22 Close the opening, using an invisible ladder stitch.

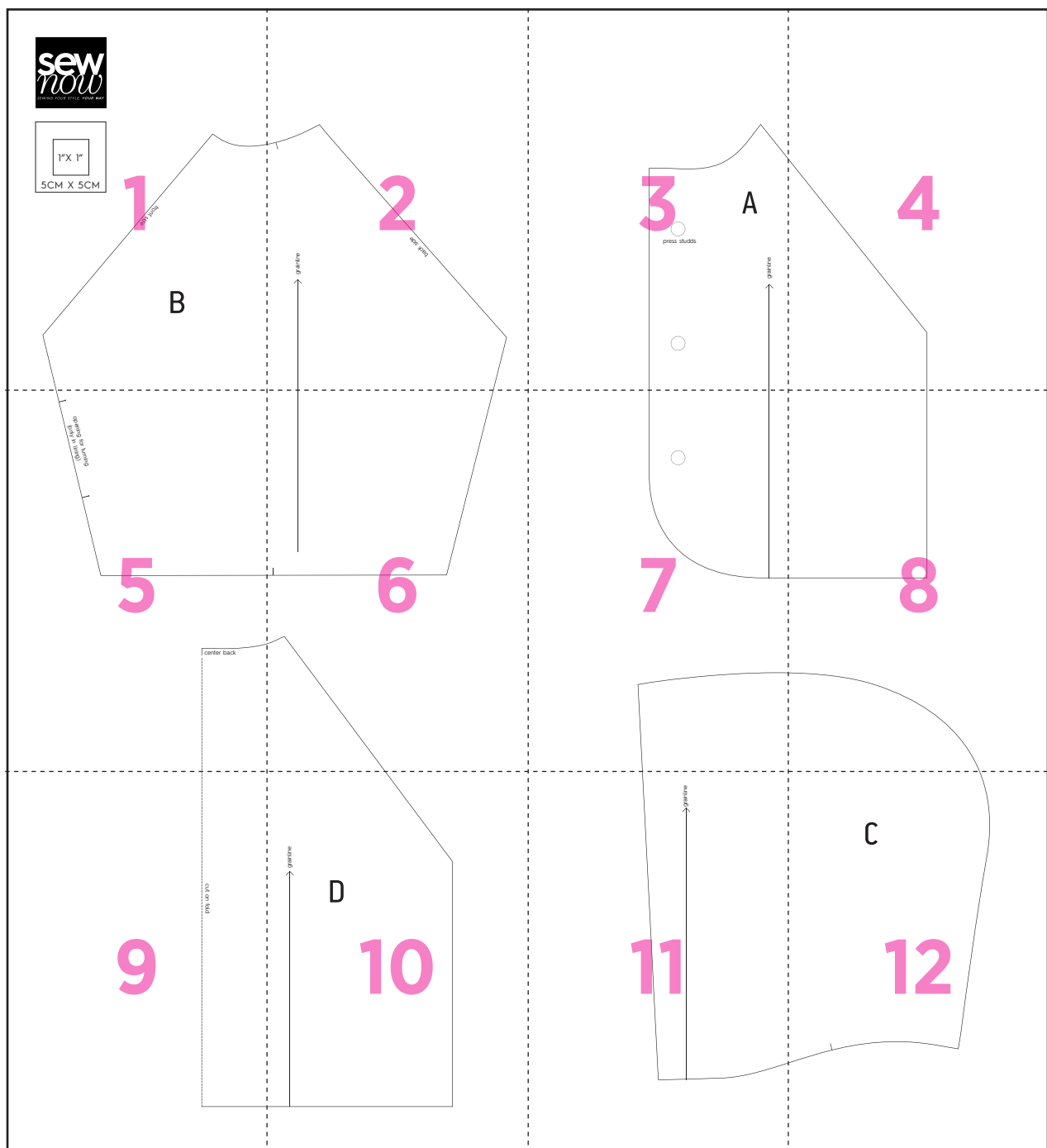
23 Press the jacket and top-stitch all around the edge at a few millimetres from the piping.

24 Top-stitch the sleeves at 1cm. This is not only an aesthetic step; it also makes sure the lining is not pulled out of the sleeve each time you put the jacket on or take it off the baby. Take your time and sew carefully. It may help to turn the jacket wrong side out and to top-stitch with the outer fabric upwards, while the lining is being moved by the feed dogs, as shown. (See Pic D)

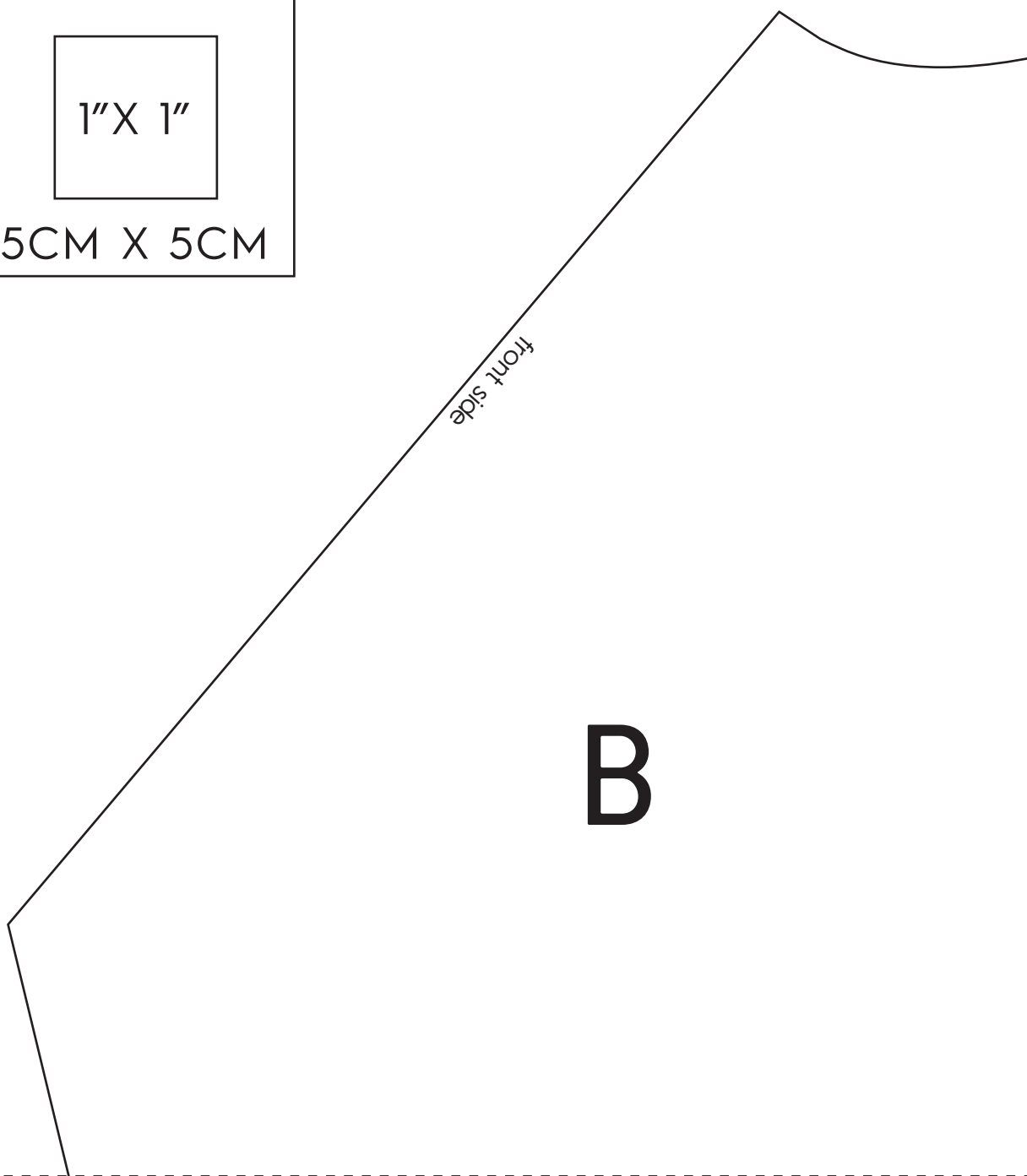
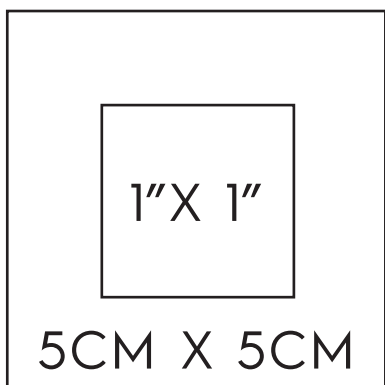
25 Attach three snaps aligned with the marks on the pattern to finish. ➡



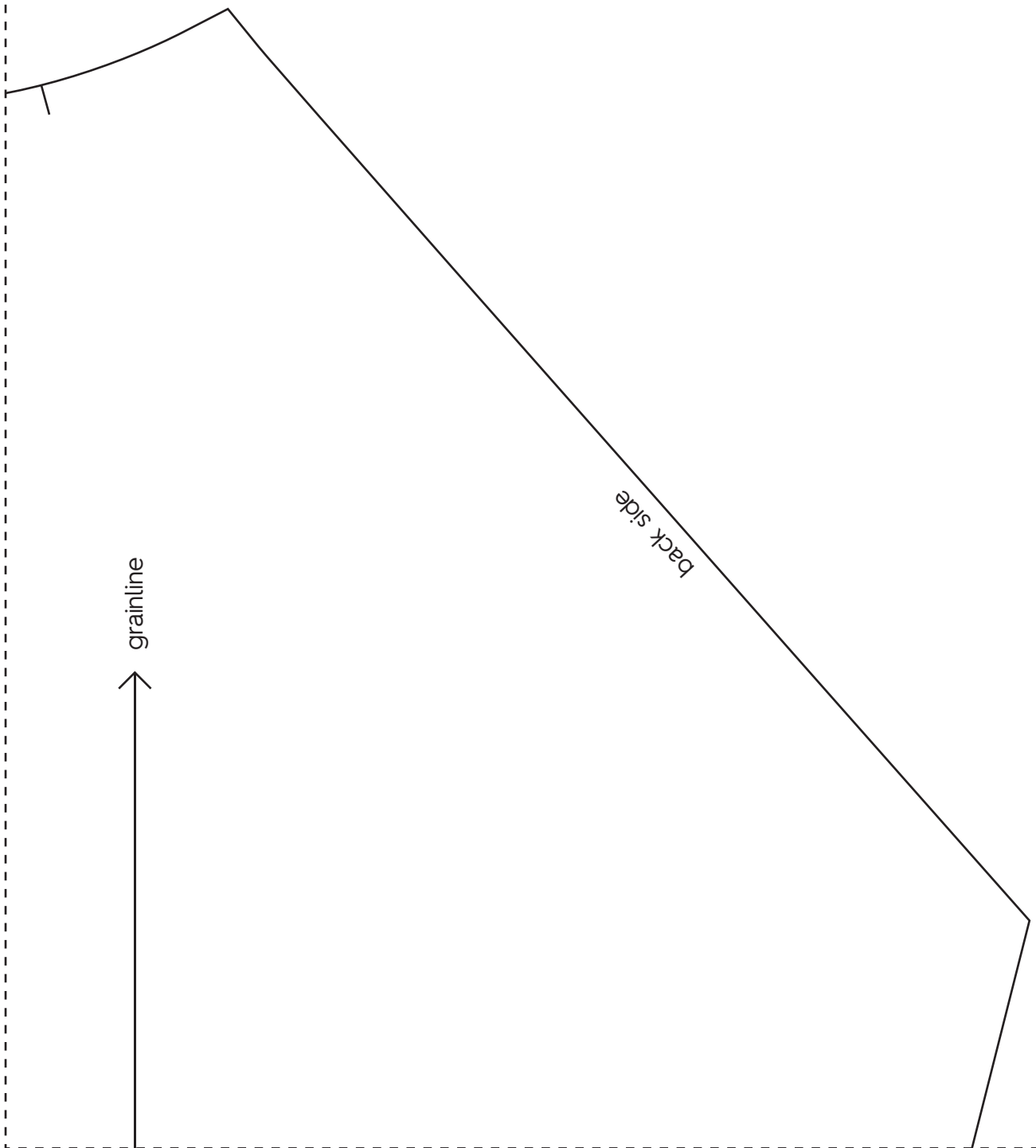
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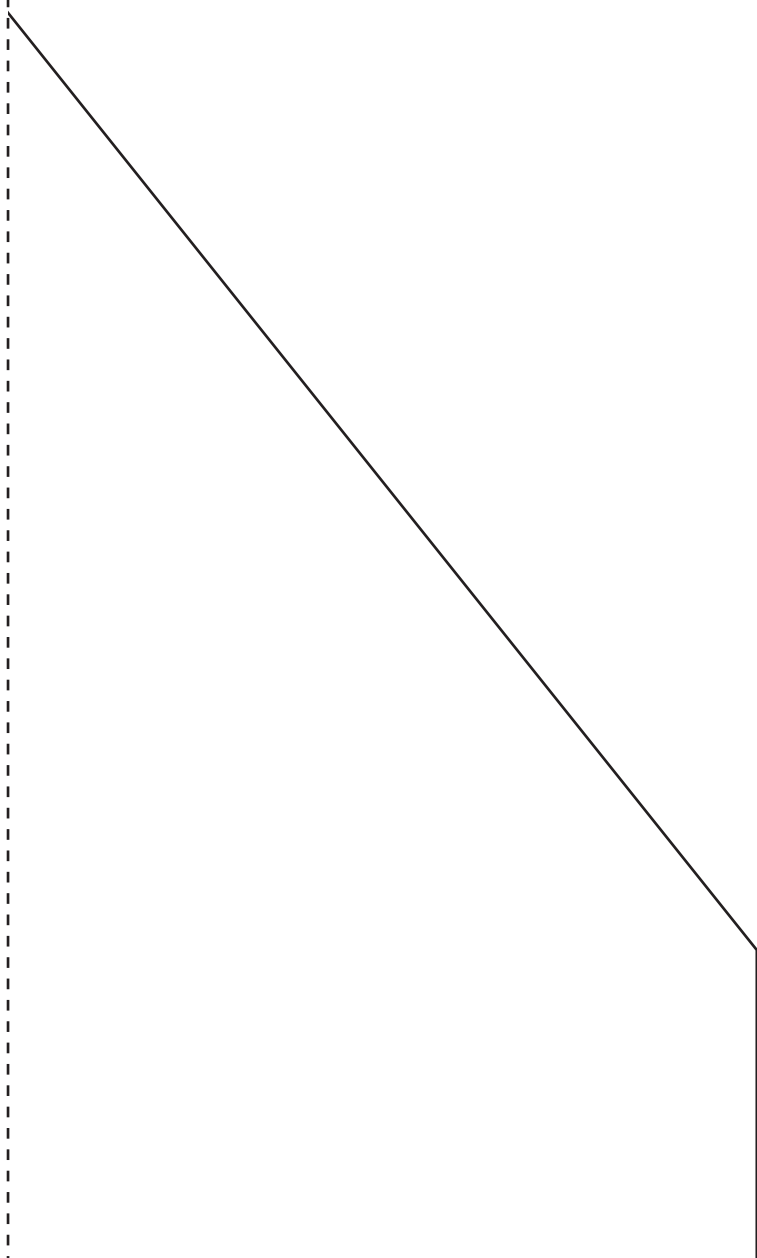
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press studs



grainline


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opening for turning
(only in lining)



center back

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cut on fold

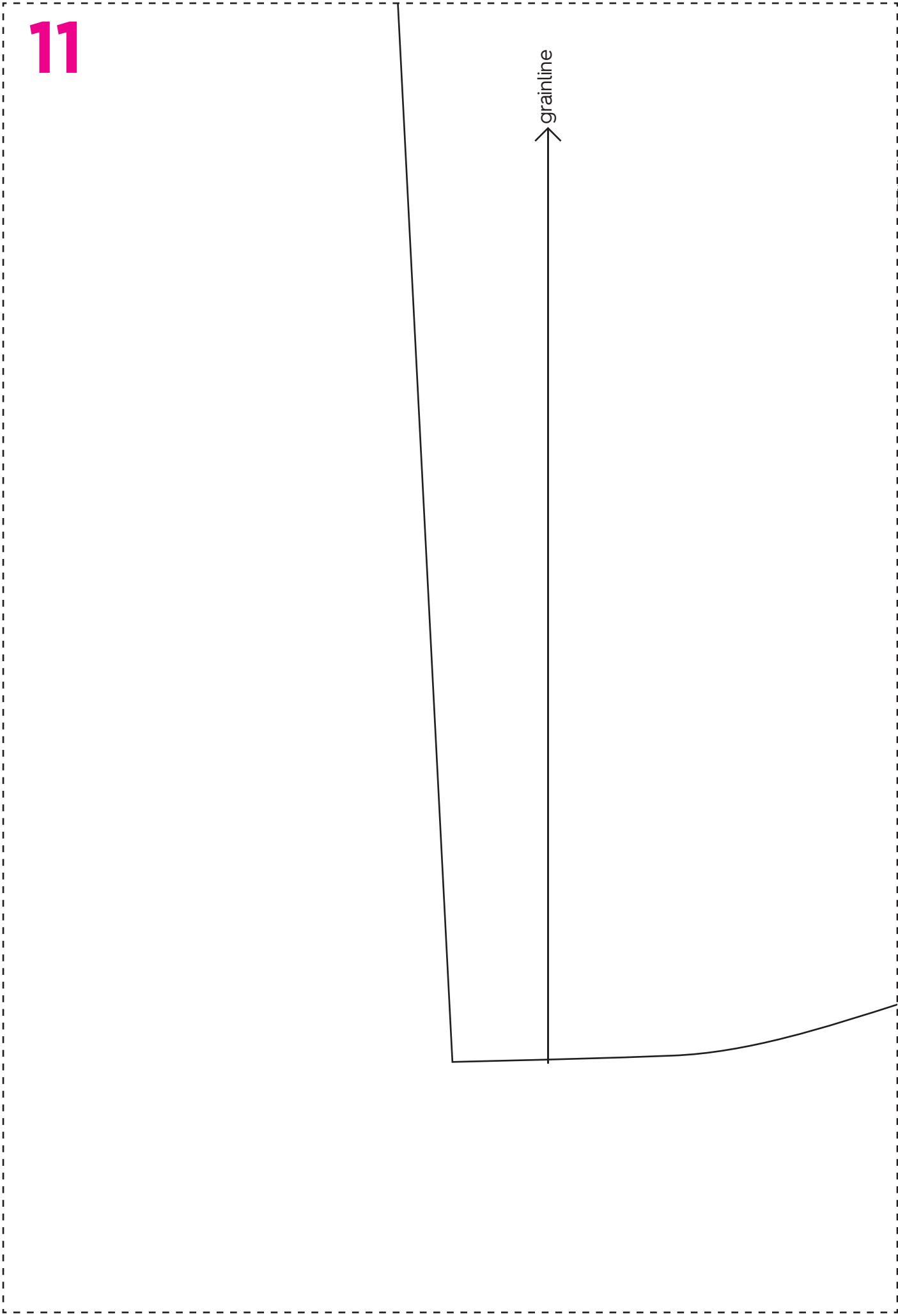
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grainline
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D



grainline



12

C

