

DOWNLOAD
YOUR
FREE
TEMPLATE

Simple
sew

The Diamond DRESS

*This simple A-line dress with pockets is
a quick way to get on the scuba trend*

Project **CLAIRE GARSIDE** www.simplesewpatterns.com

SKILL LEVEL: ● ● ● ● ●

FABRIC TYPES:

Cotton or viscose jersey, ponte
roma or scuba

MATERIALS:

- 2.2m 45" or 60"-wide fabric (sizes 6-12)
- 2.25m 45" or 60"-wide fabric (sizes 14-18)
- 2m stretch bias binding
- free template from
www.sewnowmag.co.uk

NOTES:

Use a 1cm seam allowance throughout

HOW TO MAKE:

1 With RST, join front and back dress at the shoulders using 1cm seam allowance. Overlock or zigzag-stitch the edges to finish. (See Pic A.)

2 Use the notches on the pattern or mark where you want the pockets to be positioned on the front and back of the dress pieces. Neaten the raw edges of the dress side seams and straight edge of pocket pieces using a zigzag stitch or overlocker (See Pic B.)

3 Matching the pocket pieces to the marked position on the front of the dress, pin in place with right sides together. Sew pocket piece onto bodice with a 1cm seam allowance, leaving a 1.5cm gap at the top and bottom of the pocket. Repeat for all four pocket pieces, two at the front and two at the back, ensuring they match when the side seams are pinned together. (See Pic C.) Press the pockets away from the dress.

Super-quick
make!
→

Navy mules £12,
www.primark.com

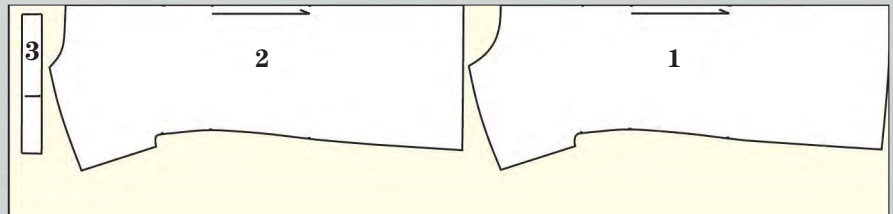
SIZING

Size	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
To fit bust	32½"	35"	37"	39"	41"	43½"	45½"	47½"
To fit waist	29½"	31½"	33½"	35½"	37½"	39½"	41½"	43½"
To fit hip	38"	40"	42"	44"	46"	48"	50"	52"

LAYPLAN

45"-wide fabric

FOLD



4 With right sides together and pockets matching, pin the side seams in place. Sew with a 1.5cm seam allowance, stopping 5mm after the sewing line, attaching the pockets and starting again 5mm before the bottom of the stitching line. (See Pic D.)

5 Sew pocket bags together with a 1.5cm seam allowance. Neaten the raw edges. (See Pic E.)

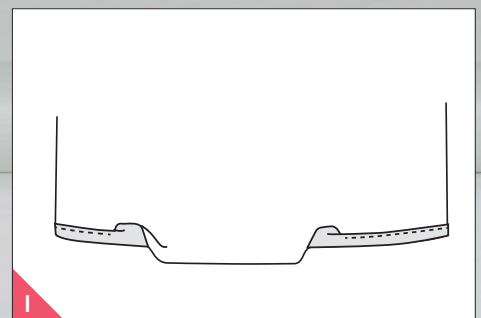
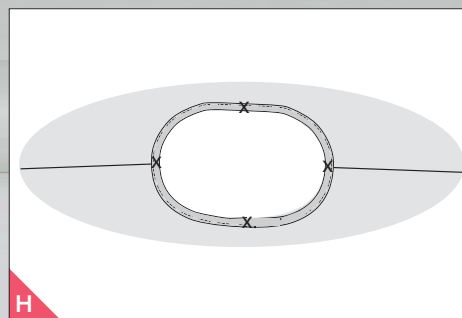
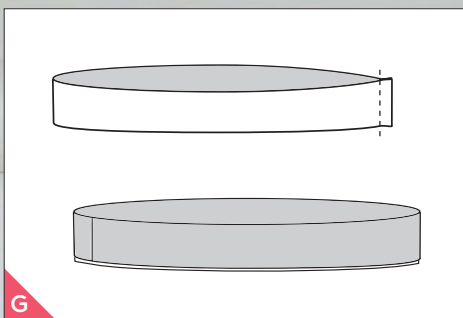
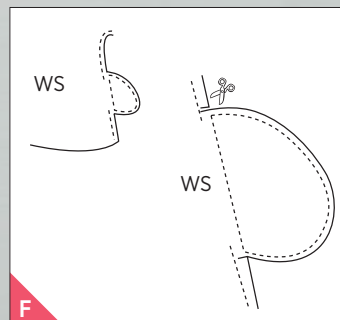
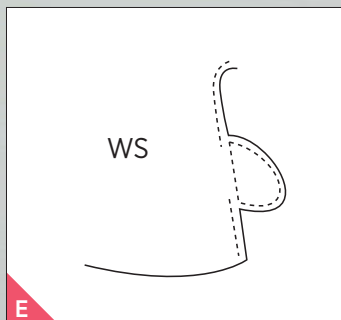
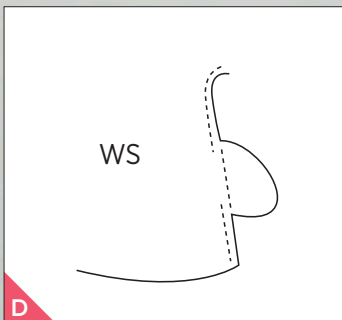
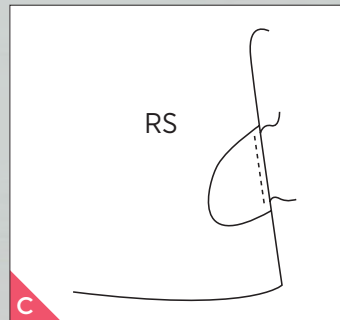
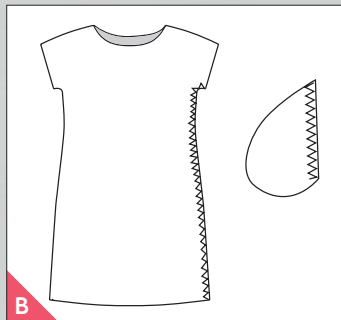
6 Snip carefully into the seam allowance above and below the pocket. Trim any excess bulk where necessary. Press side seam open, above and below the pocket. (See Pic F.)

7 Join the neck binding at the shortest edge by placing right sides together and sewing a 1cm seam allowance. Turn through to the right side and fold with wrong sides together. Press and baste together within the seam allowance. Repeat for the sleeve binding. (See Pic G.)

8 With right sides together and raw edges aligned, pin the neck binding all the way around the neckline. Pin first at the shoulder aligning the binding seam with one shoulder seam. Pin at the centre front and centre back and attach in place, removing pins as

you go. Press upwards and top-stitch through the seam allowance from the right side if you wish. Repeat for the sleeve binding. (See Pic H.)

10 Turn up the hem and sew in place to complete. (See Pic I.)



GET THE LOOK



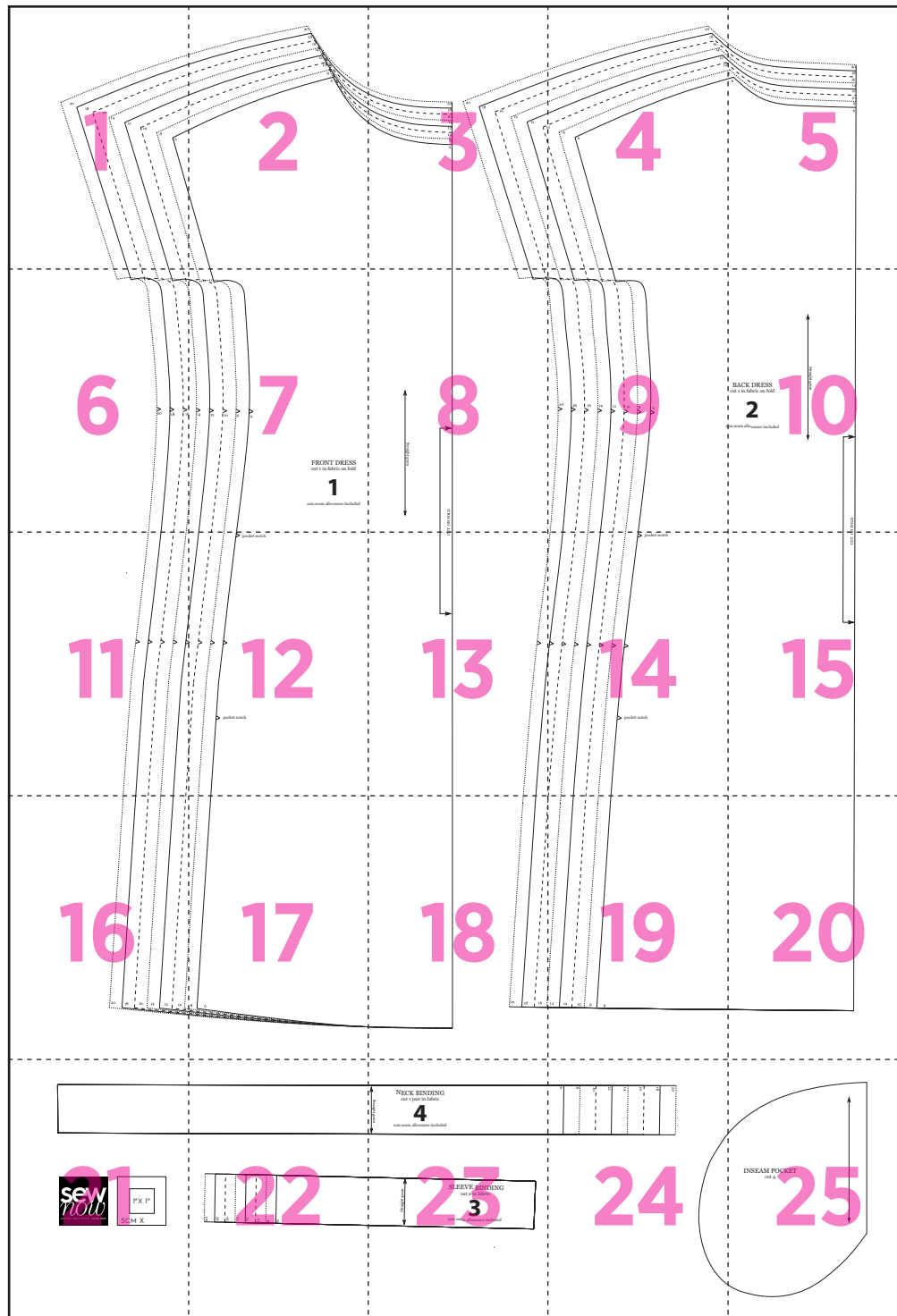
Bold geometric-print stretch scuba

This bold geometric scuba print is made up of shades of red, gold and navy blue and has a classic, yet on-trend look

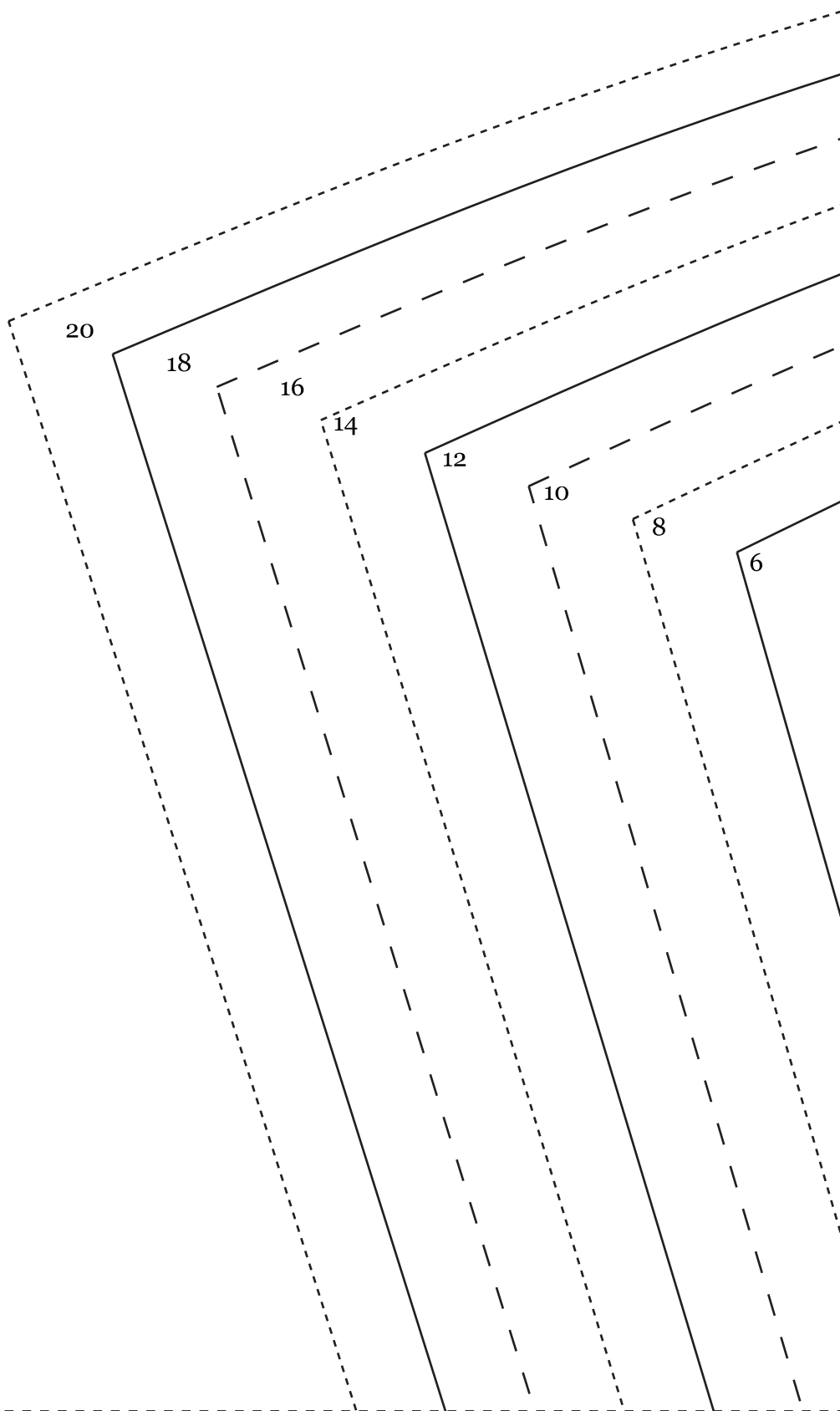
£10.99 per metre

www.minervacrafts.com

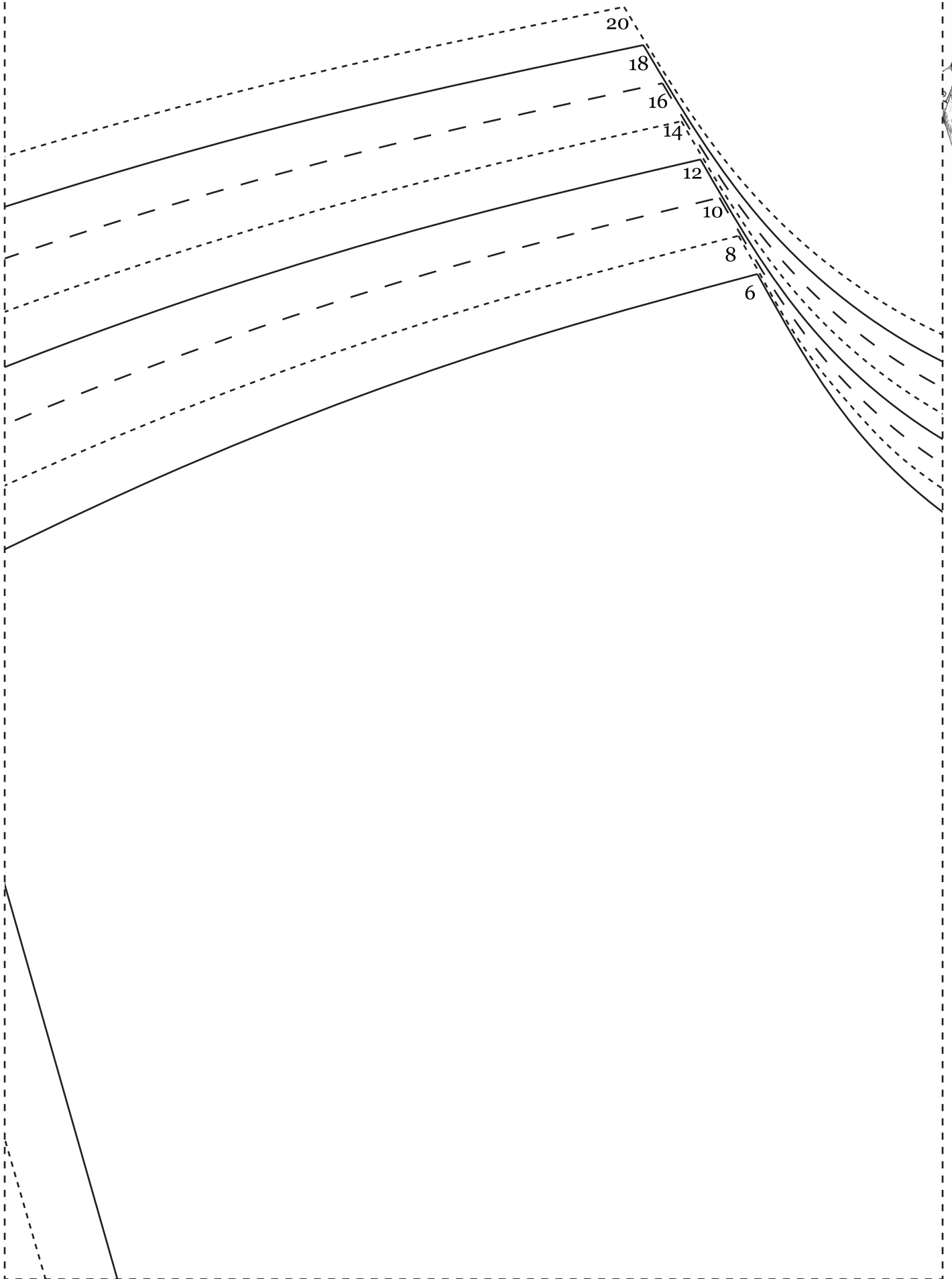
The diamond dress



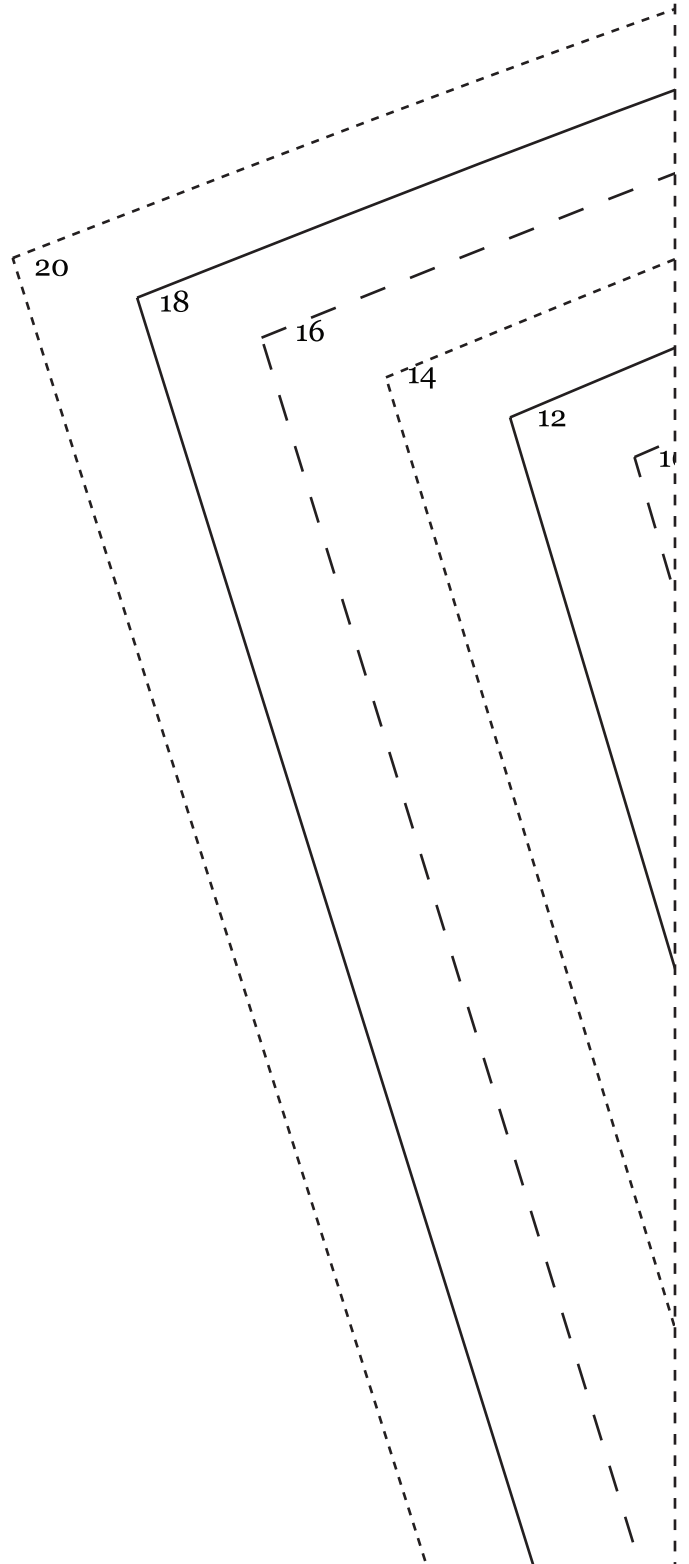
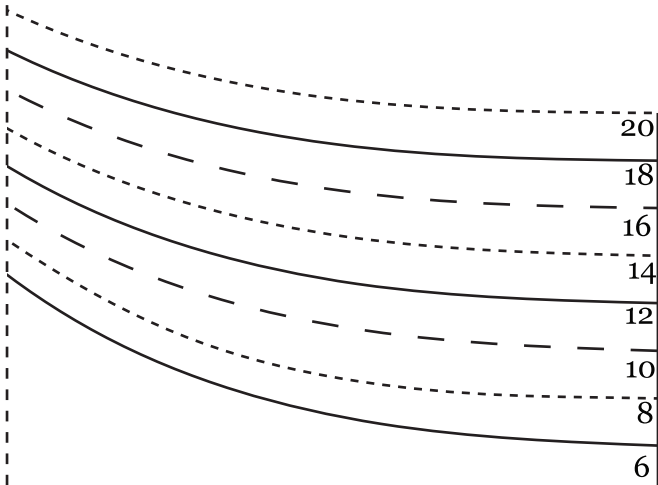
1



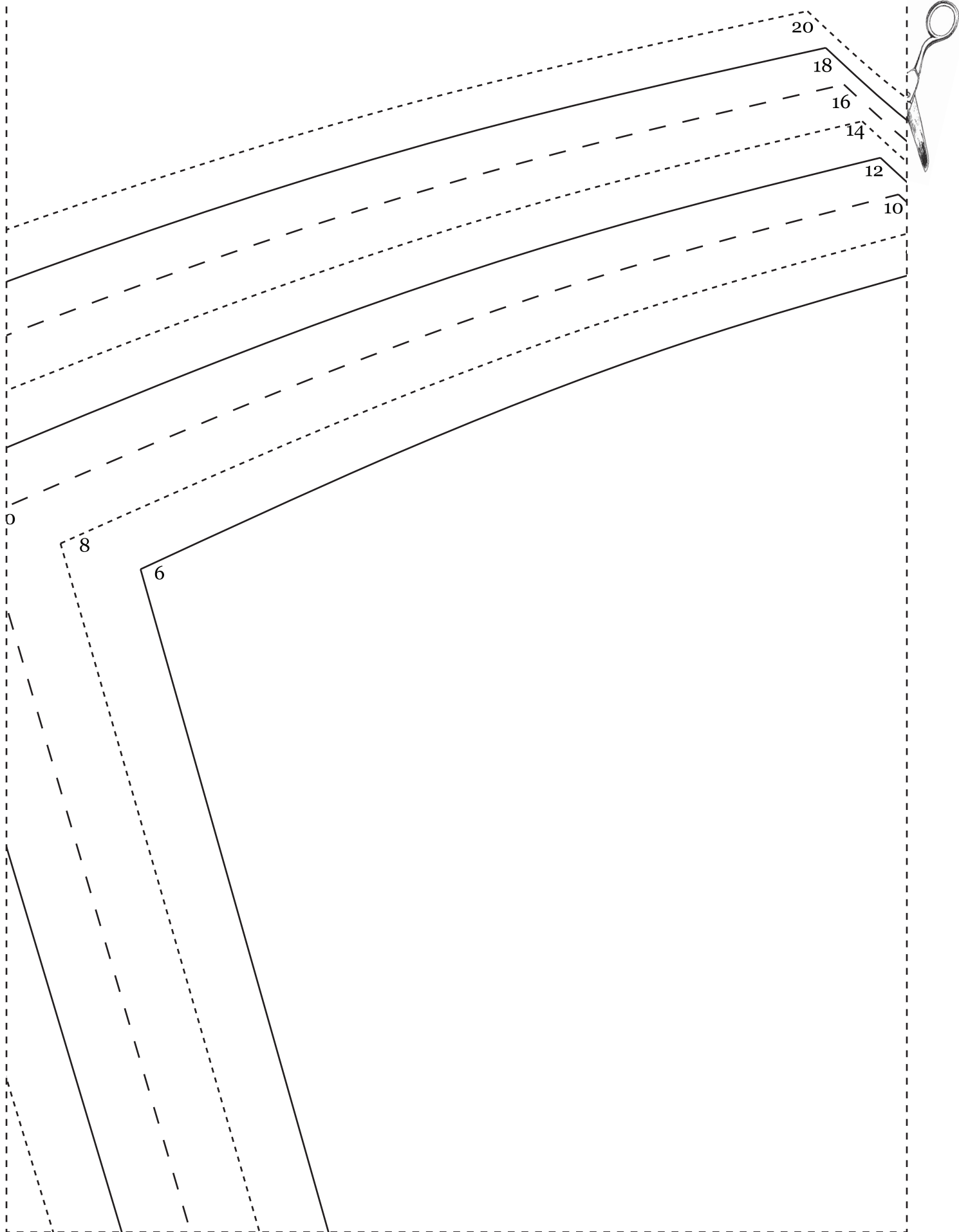
2



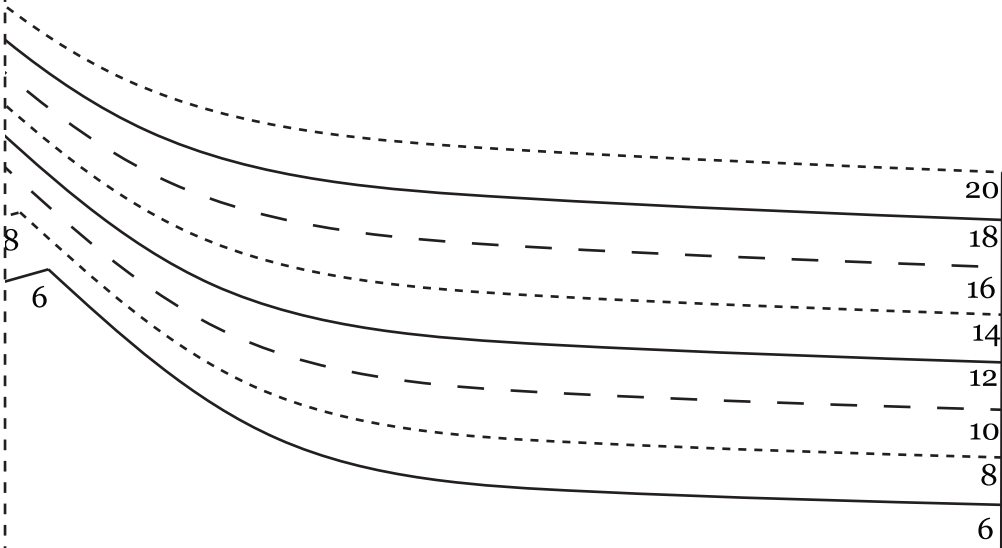
3



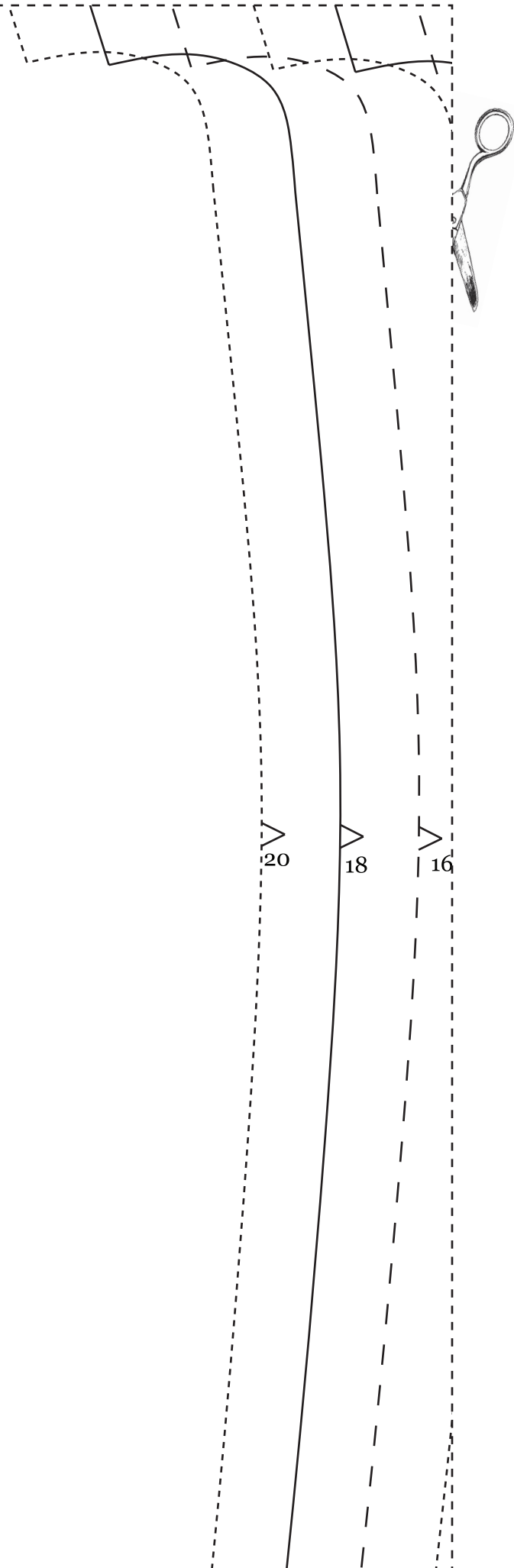
4

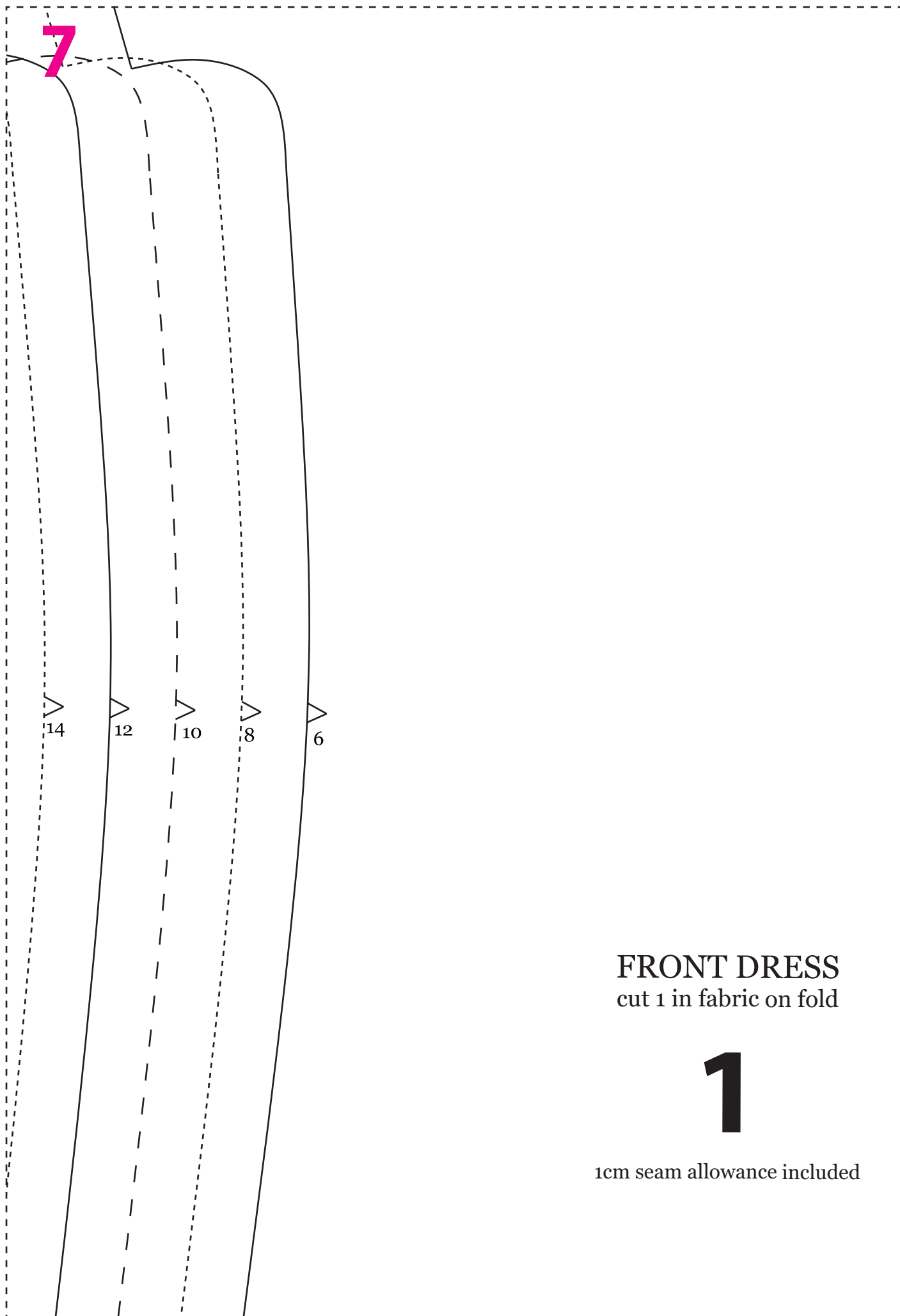


5



6





FRONT DRESS
cut 1 in fabric on fold

1

1cm seam allowance included

8

Straight grain

PUT ON FOLD



9



20

18

16

14

12

10

8

6

10

10

BACK DRESS
cut 1 in fabric on fold

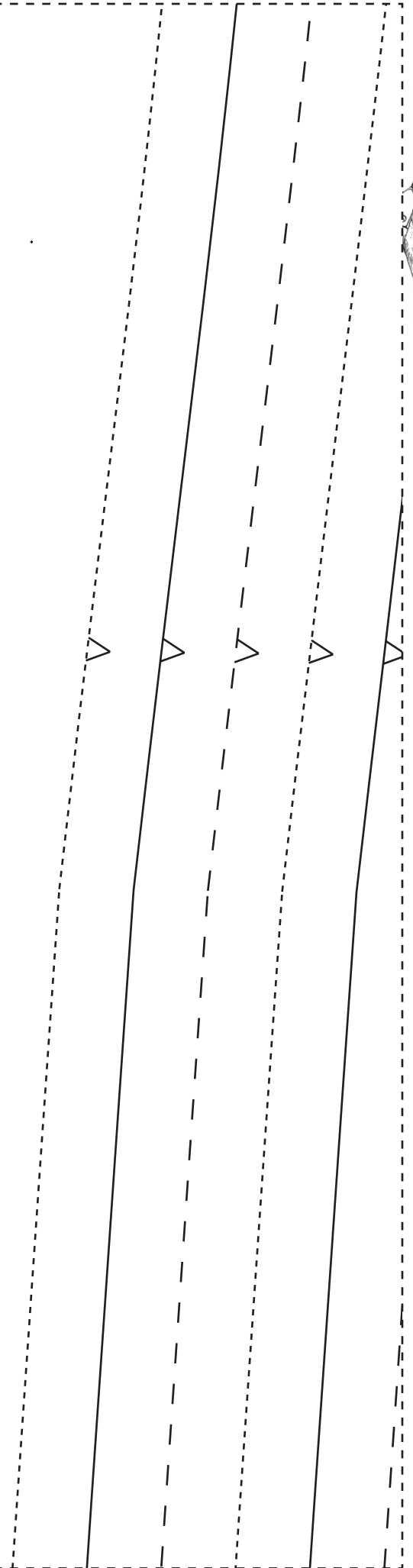
2

cm seam allowance included

Straight grain

ON FOLD





12

pocket notch



pocket notch

13



14

pocket notch



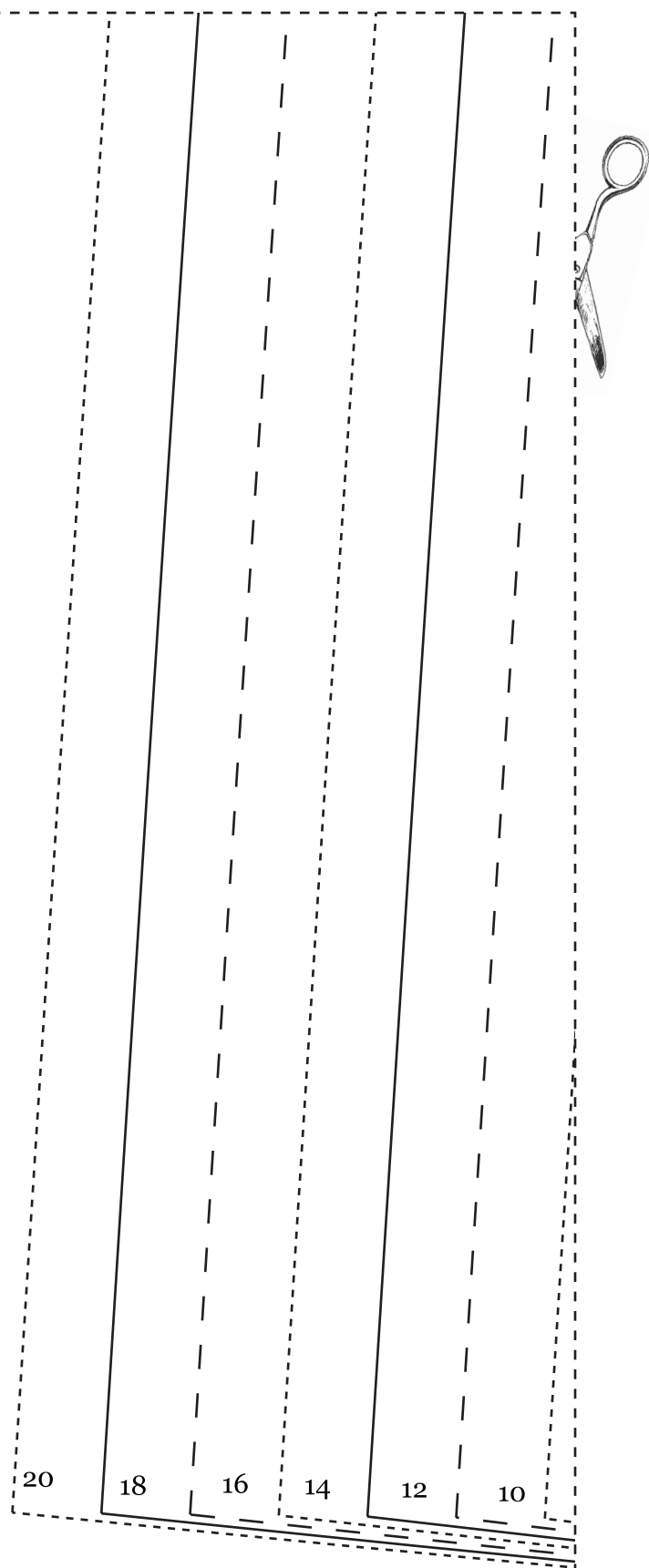
pocket notch

15

CUT C



16



17



8

6

18



20 18 16

19



14

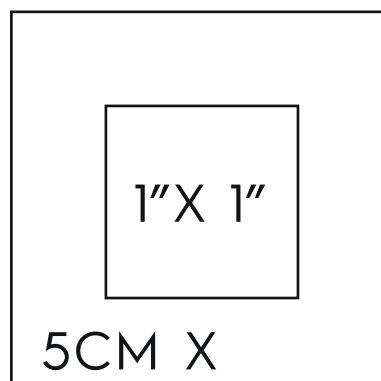
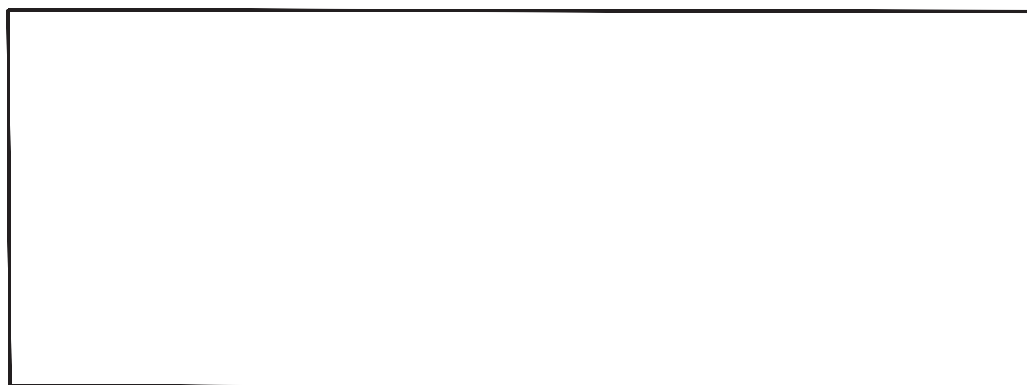
12

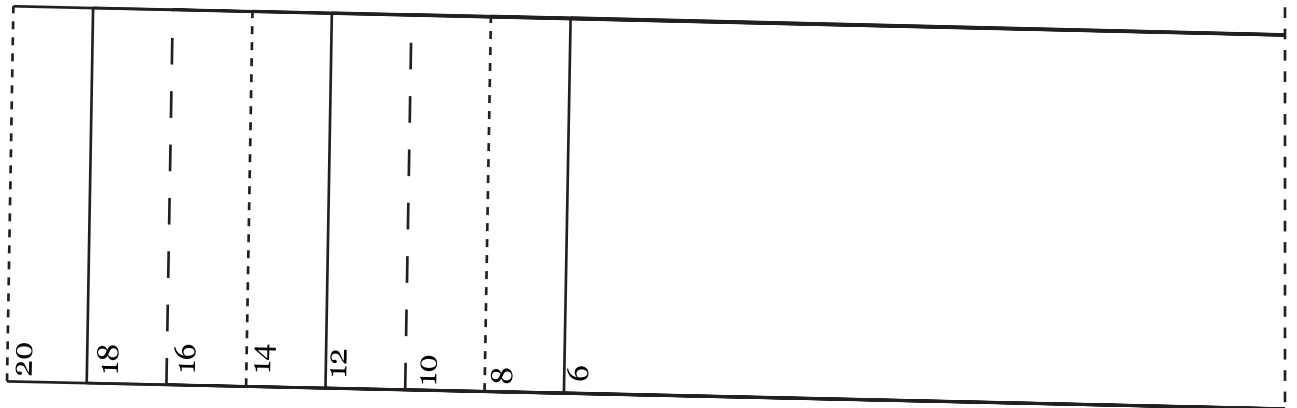
10

8

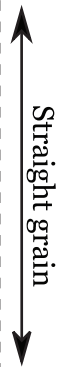
6







23

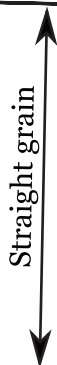


NECK BINDING

cut 1 pair in fabric

4

1cm seam allowance included



SLEEVE BINDING

cut 2 in fabric

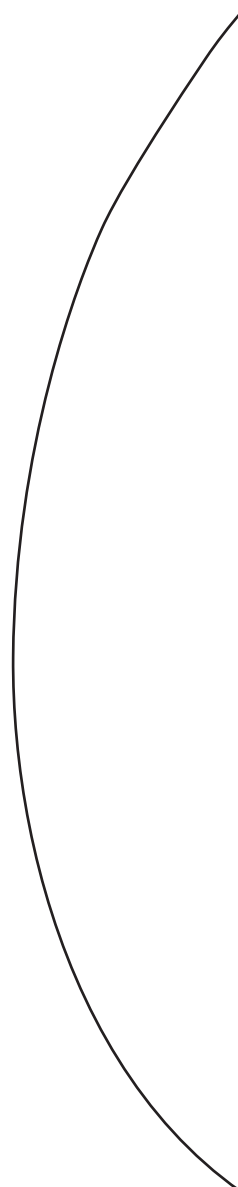
3

1cm seam allowance included

24



20	
18	
16	
14	
12	
10	
8	
6	



25



INSEAM POCKET
cut 4