

Lovely lace SWEATSHIRT

This eye-catching sweatshirt features sheer inserts and will stretch your skills with new techniques

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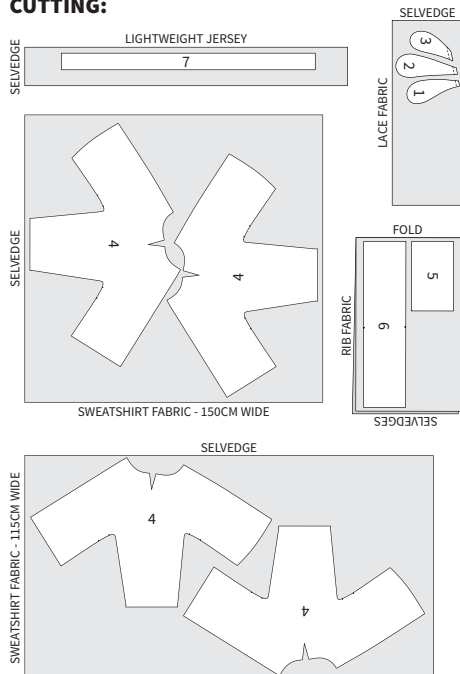
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Skill level ♥ ♥

MATERIALS:

- ♥ medium-weight cotton loopback or fleece back sweatshirting for main body
- ♥ 1.5m 150cm-wide fabric or 2.1m 115cm-wide fabric
- ♥ 50cm medium-weight cotton/elastane rib for cuff and hem band
- ♥ 25cm lace for teardrop inserts
- ♥ 50cm lightweight single jersey for binding inside neckline
- ♥ template downloaded from www.lovesewingmag.co.uk

CUTTING:



SIZING:

BODY MEASUREMENTS	8	10	12	14	16	18
TO FIT BUST	32"	34"	36"	38"	40"	42"
TO FIT HIP	35½"	37"	39"	41"	43"	45"

FINISHED GARMENT:

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BUST	37½"	39½"	41½"	43½"	45½"	47½"
HEM -rib relaxed	33"	35"	37"	39"	41"	43"
BACK LENGTH HPS TO HEM	25"	25"	25"	35½"	35½"	26"





Anna says:

"This modern sweatshirt is a really simple sew due to the grown-on sleeve and looks great with or without the appliqué shoulder detail. The pattern is cut with bias centre front and back seams so would look great in a stripe fabric too for a chevron effect"



Notes

- ✓ Always pre wash and iron your fabric before starting, you don't want to risk it shrinking on its first wash
- ✓ For your inserts it helps if the lace is stable and the design is reasonably dense – a stretch lace will be a bit tricky to work with
- ✓ Take extra care when pressing the lace with an iron; some lace will not withstand the temperature due to its synthetic content so it's always best to cover with a piece of cotton fabric

How to make:

- 1 Position the lace insert pieces onto the right front as worn as indicated on the pattern piece and pin to hold them in position.
- 2 Using a straight stitch on your sewing machine, attach the lace inserts by sewing around each piece close to the edge but making sure you catch all of the lace.

- 3 Set your machine on a zigzag stitch making sure the stitches are close together like a buttonhole stitch. Sew around the edges of the lace inserts.
- 4 Turn your work onto the WS and press the area nice and flat, take care not to iron directly onto the lace panels.
- 5 Turn your work back to the RS and carefully trim any excess lace threads that have not been caught up in the zigzag stitch.
- 6 Carefully trim away the main sweatshirt fabric at the back of the lace 5mm from your zigzag line, it helps to first cut a straight line from the open end down the centre of the shape keeping your finger between the lace and the main fabric. (See Pic A.) Cover the lace and give the area a further press.
- 7 Stitch the shoulder dart closed by folding with RST and aligning the raw edges. Sew with a 1cm seam from the neck edge to the dart point, overlock to neaten the raw edge. (See Pic B.) Repeat this for the left shoulder.

- 8 Overlock each raw edge of the centre front and centre back body.
- 9 Place the front body pieces RST aligning the overlocked centre fronts and join with a 1cm seam using a slightly longer straight stitch on your sewing machine. Take care not to stretch the seam as you work. Repeat this for the centre back seam and press both of these open.
- 10 Take your neckline binding and with RST line up the short ends. Sew with a 1cm seam to form a loop, press the seam open.
- 11 Lay the binding loop around the neck with RST aligning the seam with the left shoulder seam and pin evenly around the neckline.
- 12 Attach the binding with a 6mm seam and using a stretch stitch on your sewing machine. (See Pic C.)
- 13 Fold the binding up and over to the inside of the garment then fold the raw edge under and pin in position. (See Pic D.)
- 14 Sew close to the folded edge by keeping

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Top tip!

If you prefer to add a band to the neckline this is totally achievable. Follow the steps for the cuffs to install around the neckline



your sewing machine foot parallel with the neckline edge; this will ensure the line of visible stitching on the RS is evenly placed. (See Pic E.)

15 Turn the garment inside out and align the front and back underarm and side seams, then using your overlocker (or you can stitch the seam first with a sewing machine) join the pieces with a 1cm seam. Repeat for the other side and then press the seams to the back of the garment. (See Pic F.)

16 Fold each cuff in half with RST, aligning the short ends and join with a 1cm seam. Press the seams open then fold in half lengthways with WST, again aligning the raw

edges. Pin to hold in place if necessary. (See Pic G.) Repeat for the hem band.

17 Place the hem band over the top with RST, aligning the three raw edges and matching the centre notches on the band to the centre seams. Pin into position and sew with the band facing up as it enters your machine. Gently pull the band as you go so that it extends to meet the hem measurement, do not extend the actual hem of the garment only the rib hem band. Repeat to attach the cuffs, aligning the cuff seam with the underarm seam of the garment.

18 Overlock the raw edges and press the seam upwards towards the garment. (See Pic H.)



A nice finishing touch is to add a label onto the back neck. You can download our 'I MADE IT' labels for free from the website www.madeit-patterns.com, just print onto transfer printer paper and iron onto a piece of cotton tape

Fabric shopping: WE USED

Loopback cotton sweat shirting from Richer Fabrics, who you'll find in Stockport or online at www.stores.ebay.co.uk/Richer-Fabrics

Lace www.leonsfabrics.co.uk
Grey ribbing £8.99 per metre from www.myfabrics.co.uk



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Sweatshirt



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SWEATSHIRT
CUFF
CUT 2 - rib jersey
(SIZES 8 - 18)

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GRAIN LINE

SIZE 8

SIZE 10

SIZE 12

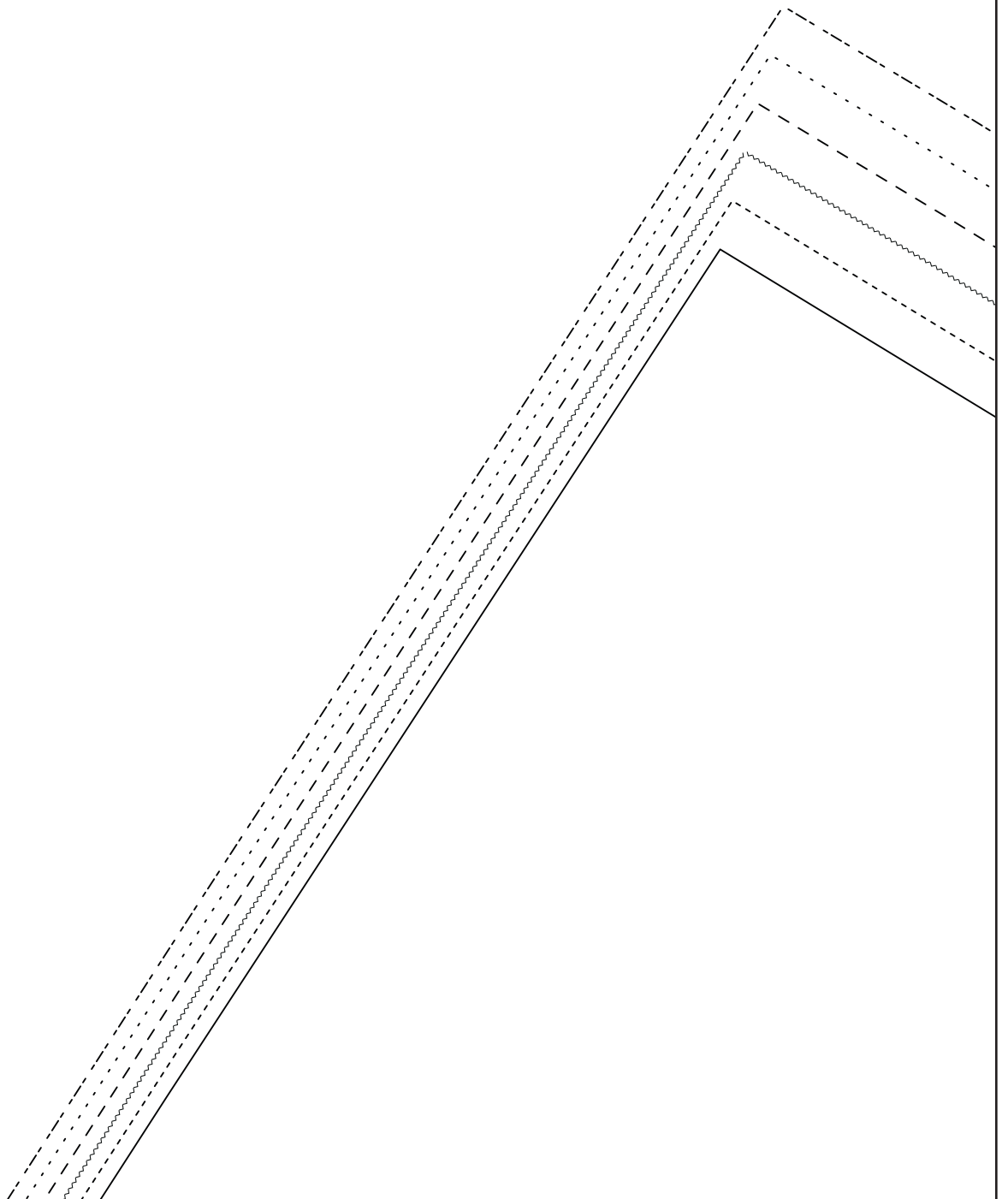
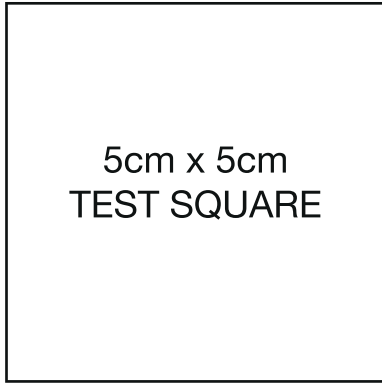
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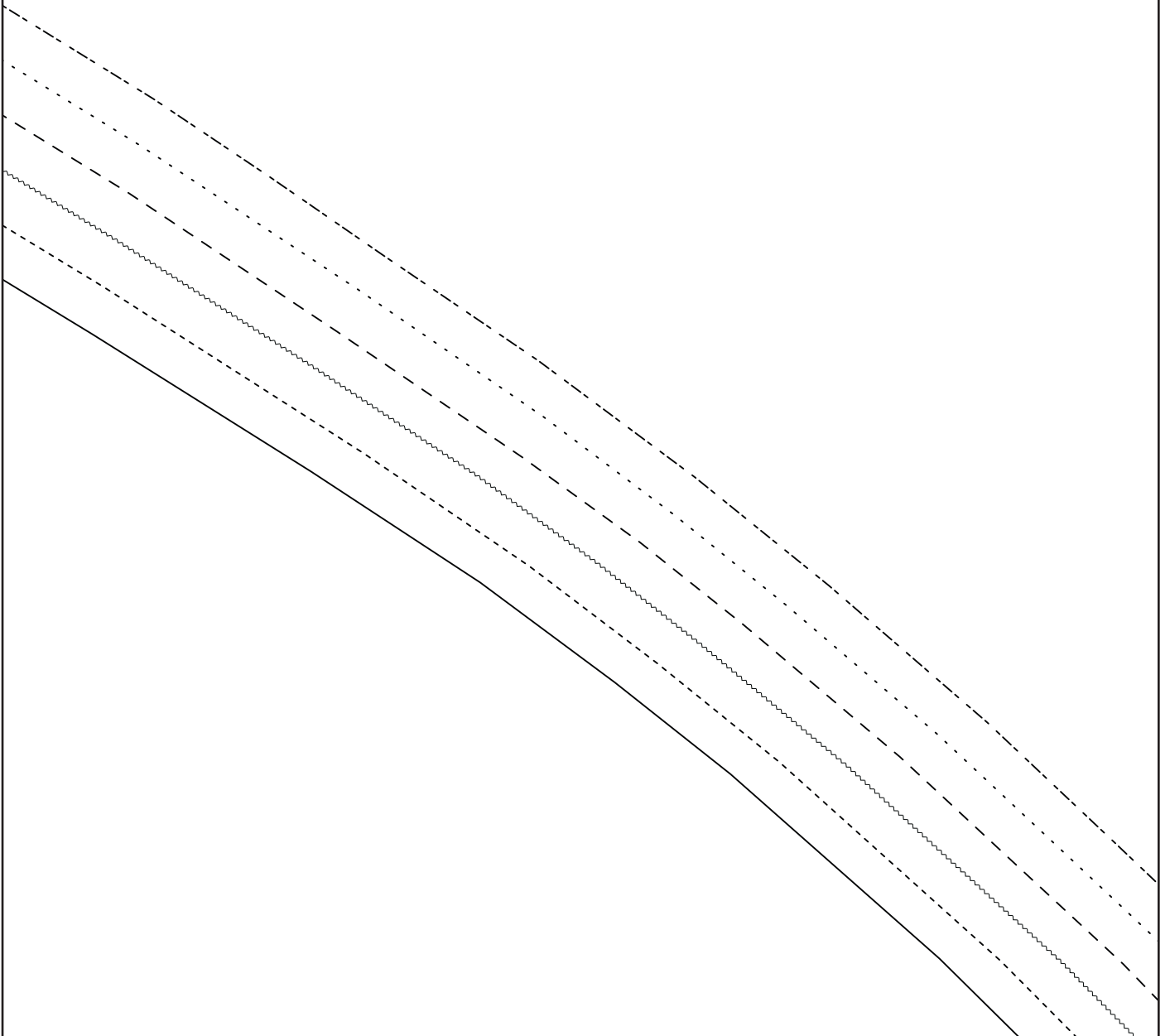
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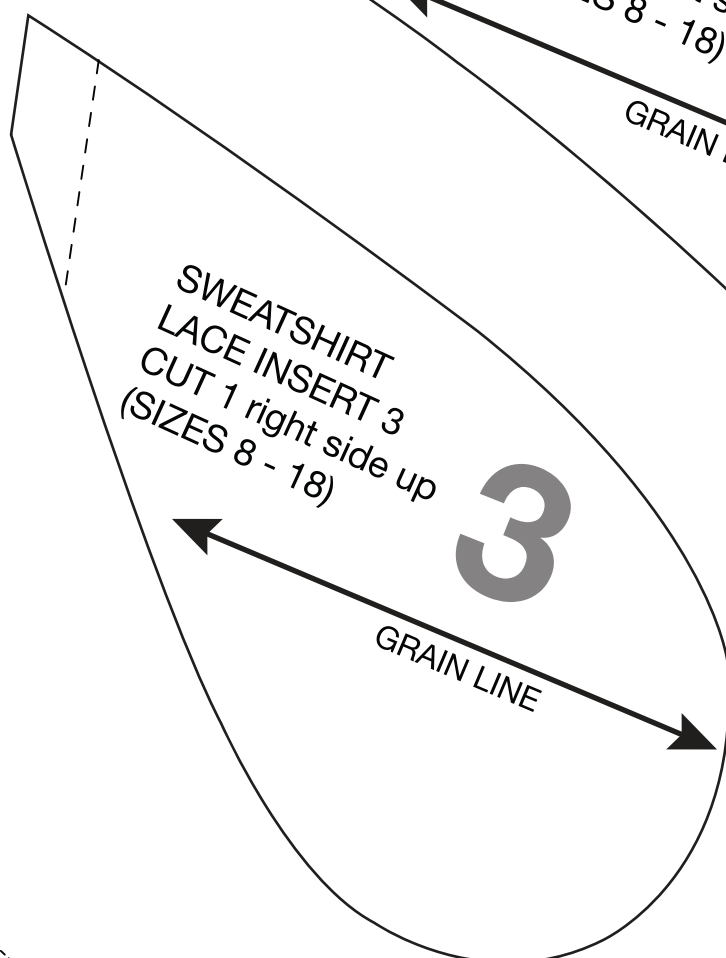
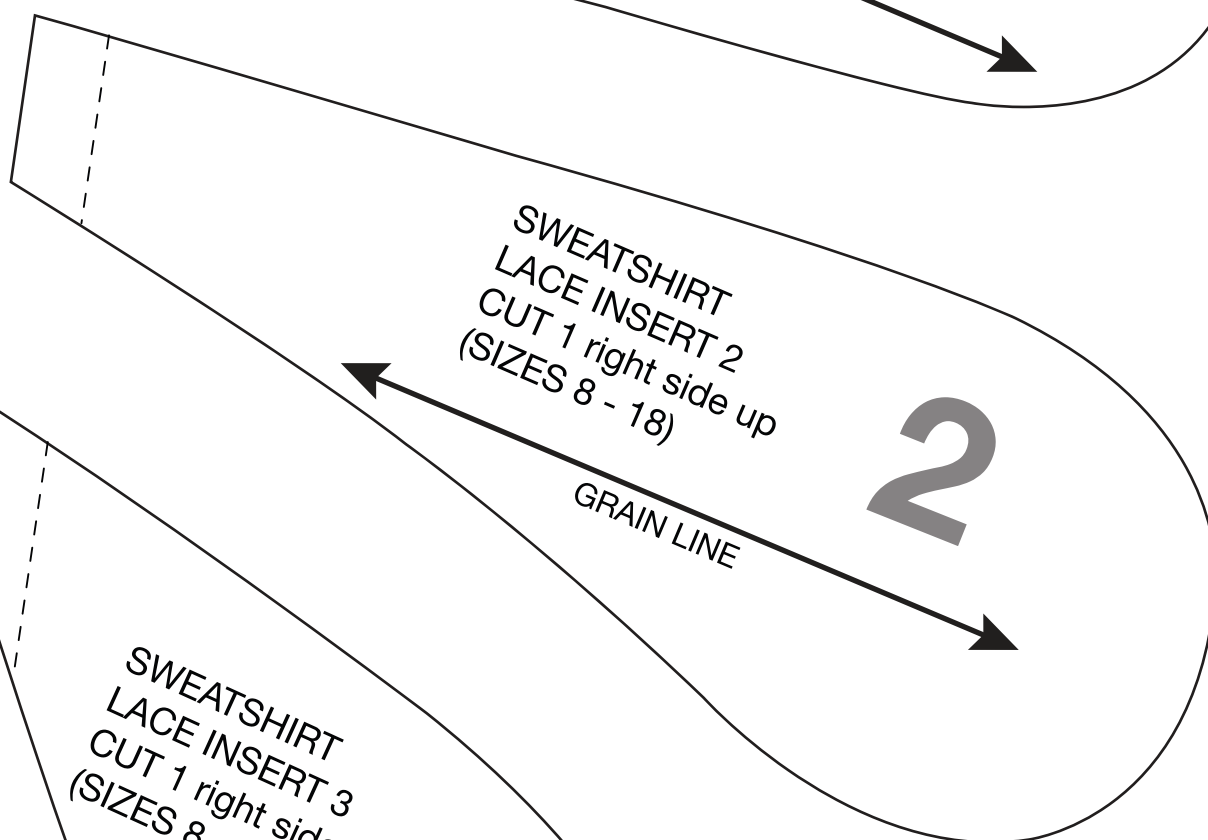
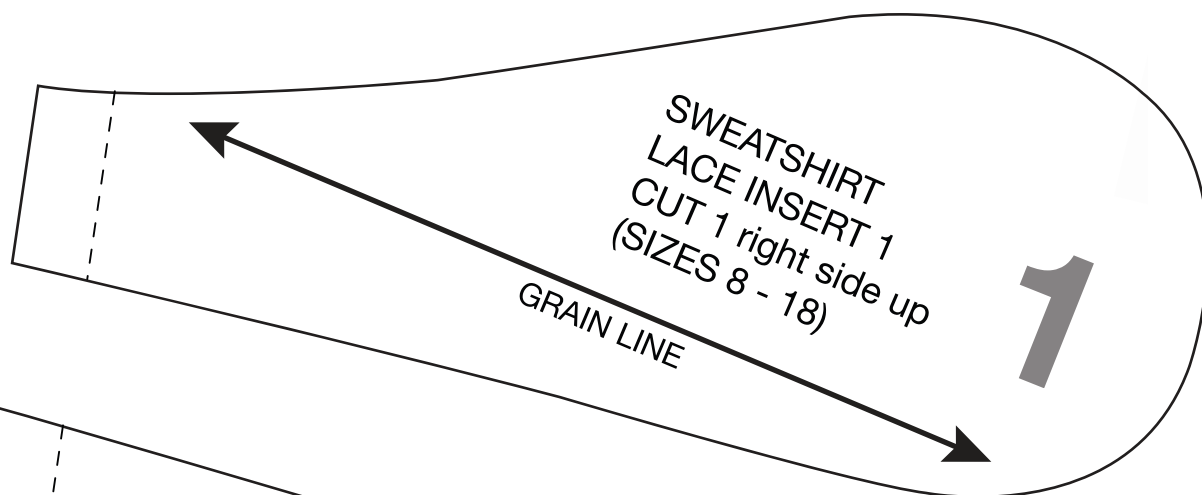
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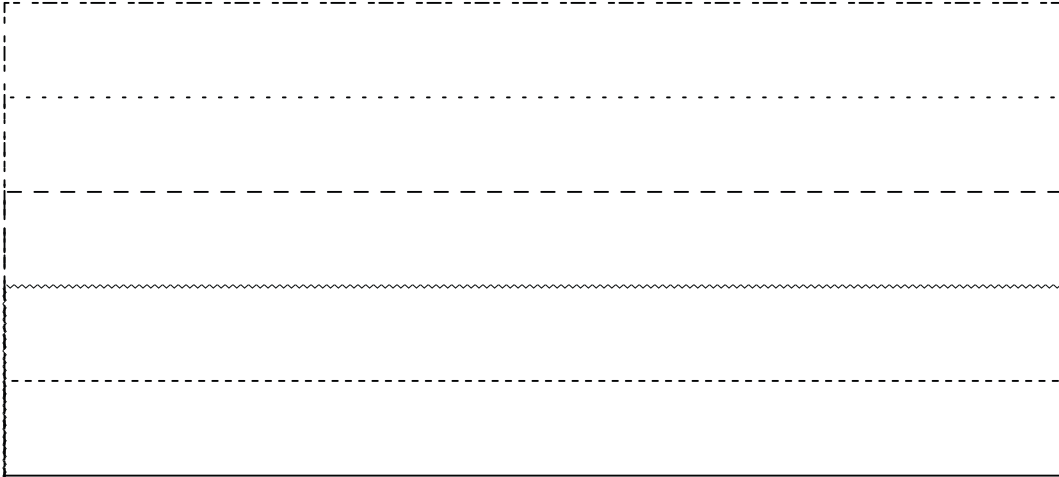
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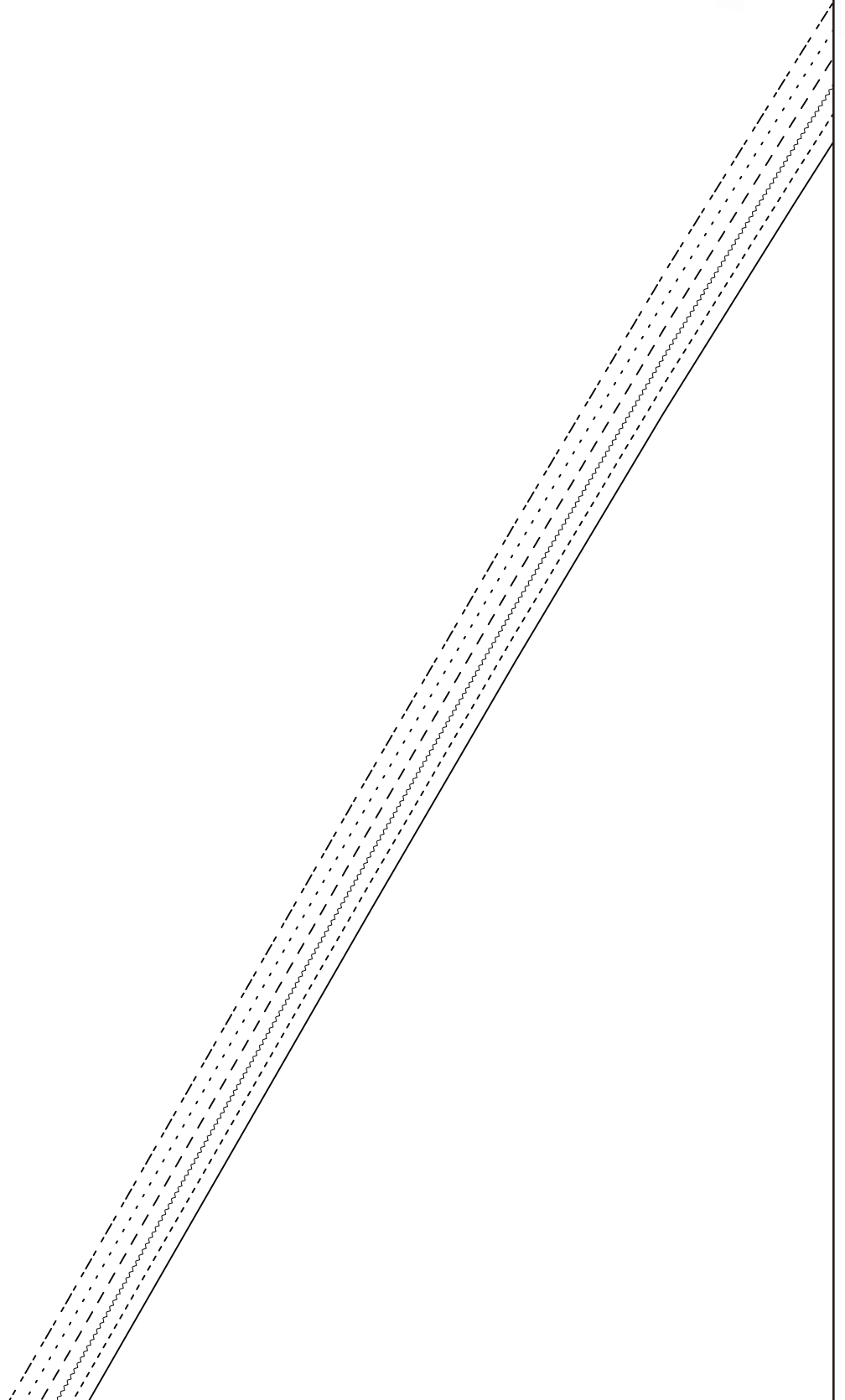
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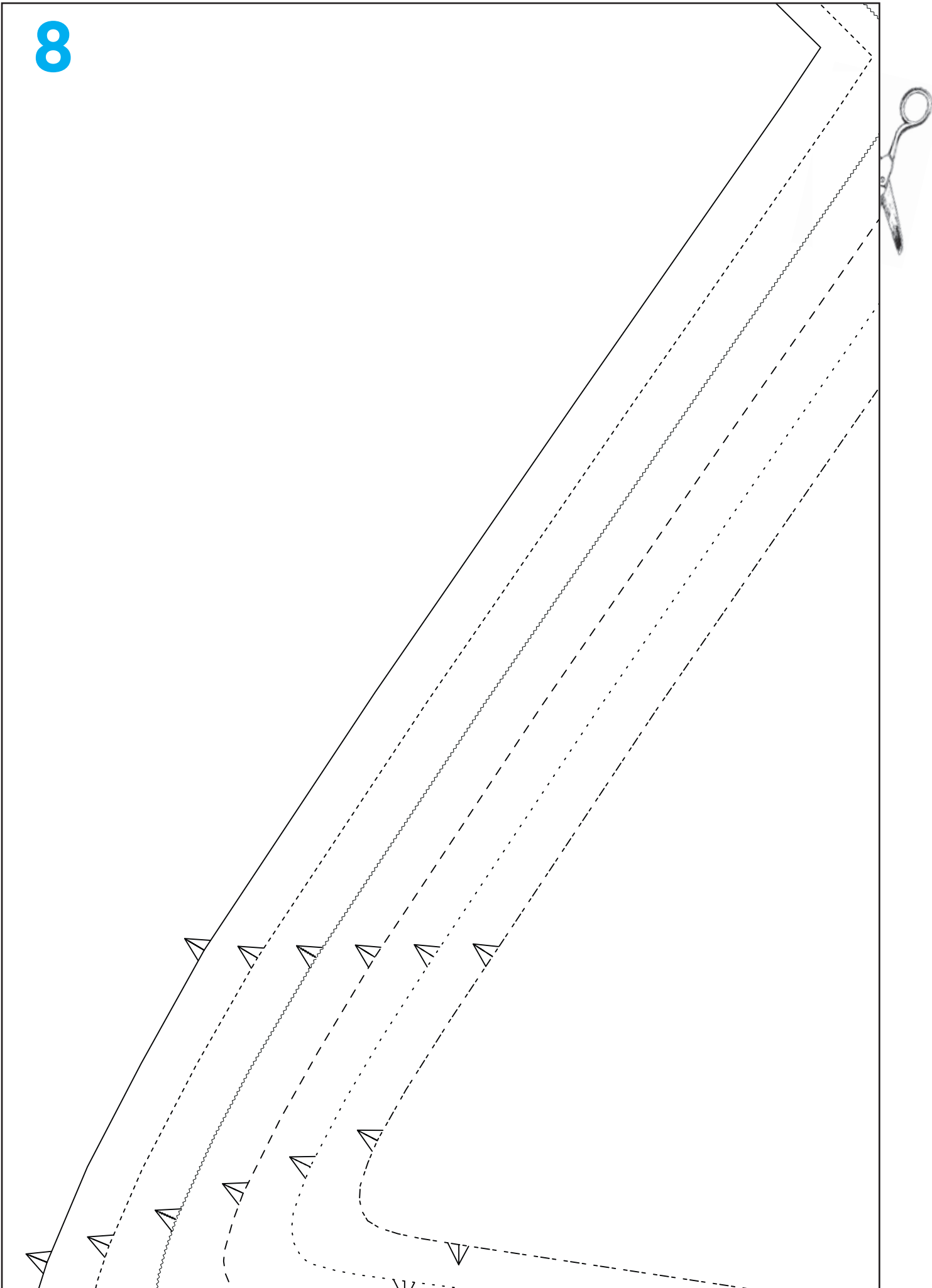


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GRAIN LINE



SWEATSHIRT
HEM BAND
CUT 2 - rib jersey
(SIZES 8 - 18)

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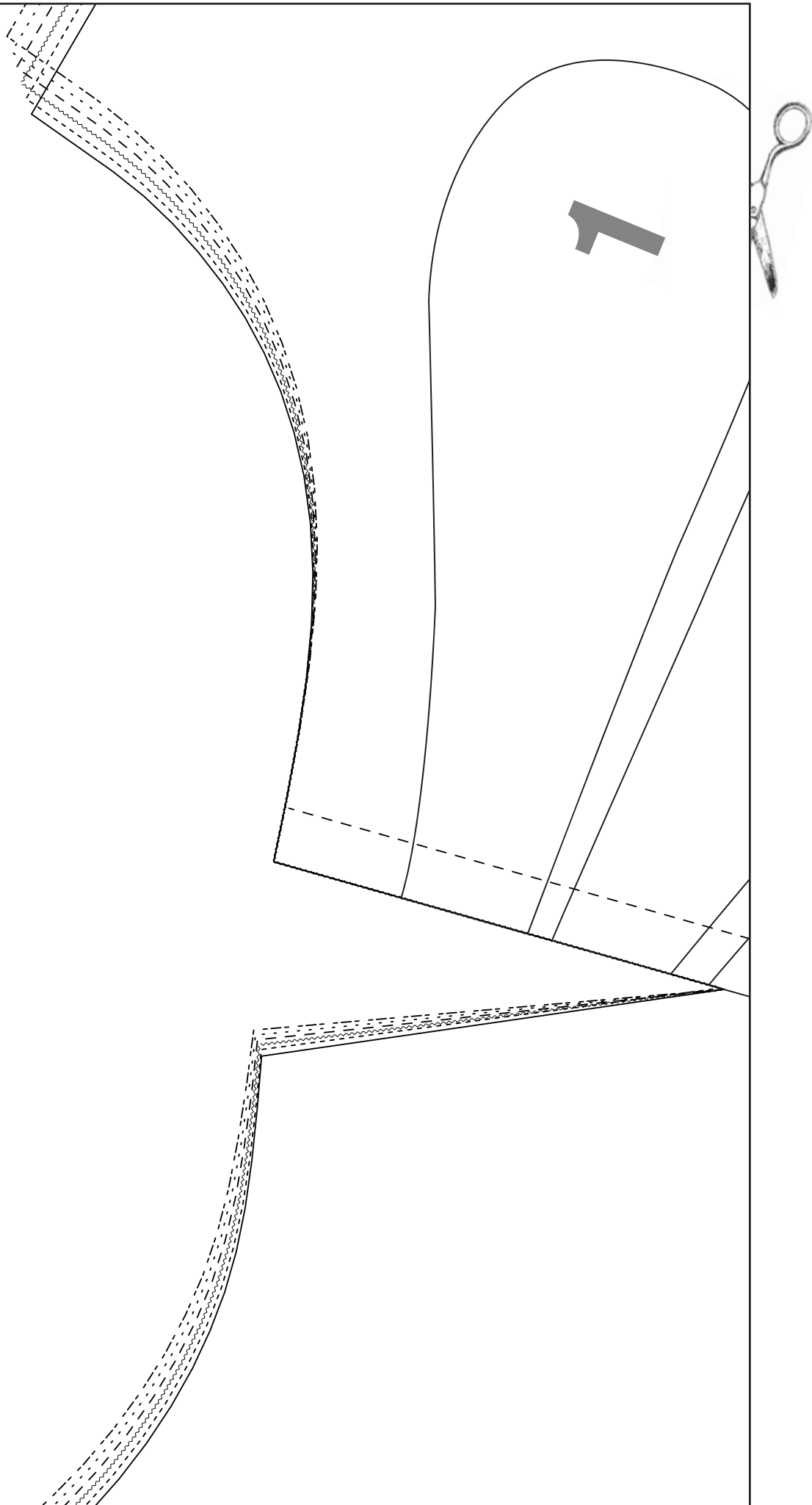


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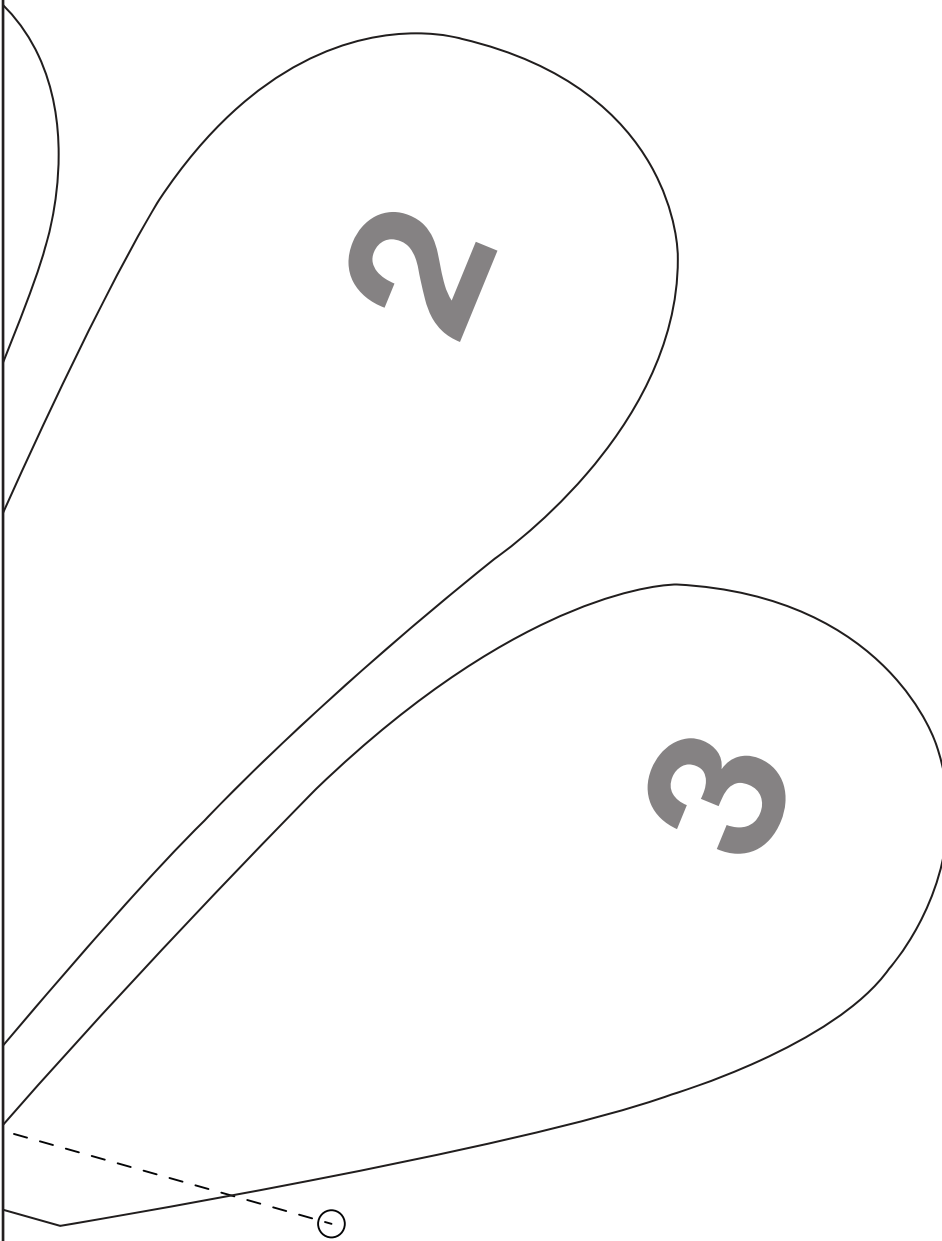
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GRAIN LINE



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SWEATSHIRT
BODY
CUT 1 PAIR (MIRROR IMAGE)
(SIZES 8 - 18)

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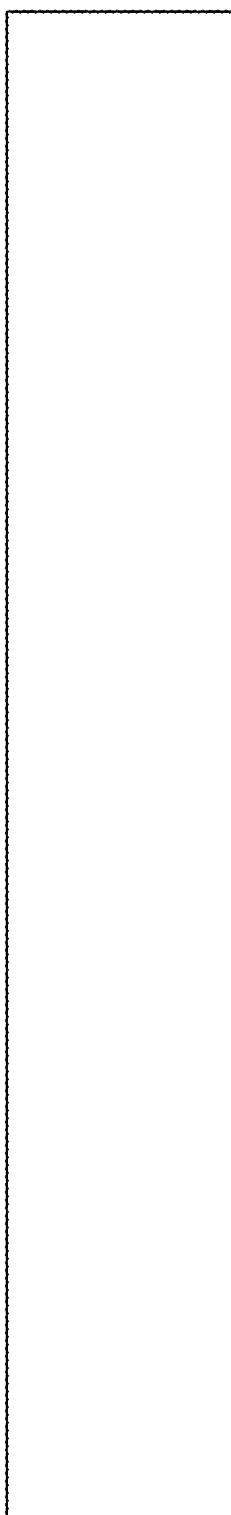
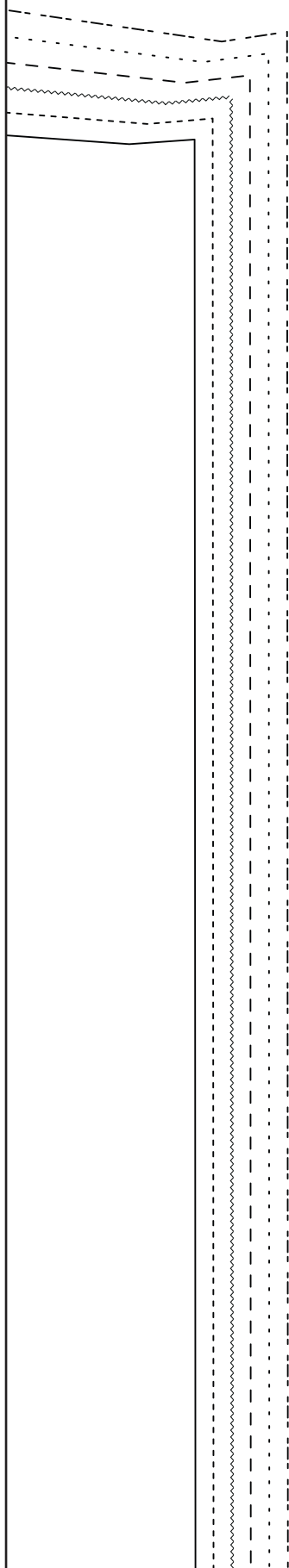
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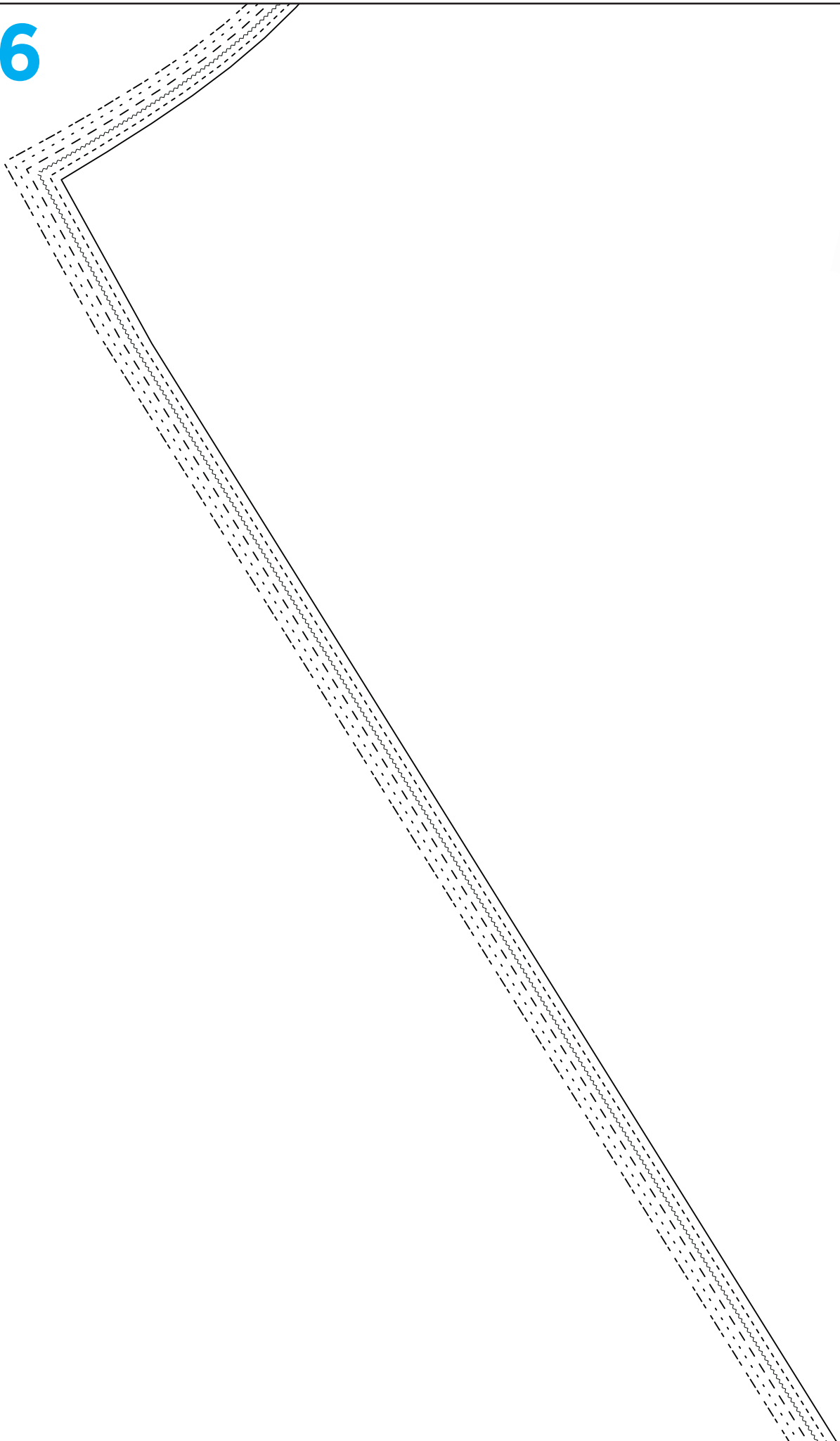
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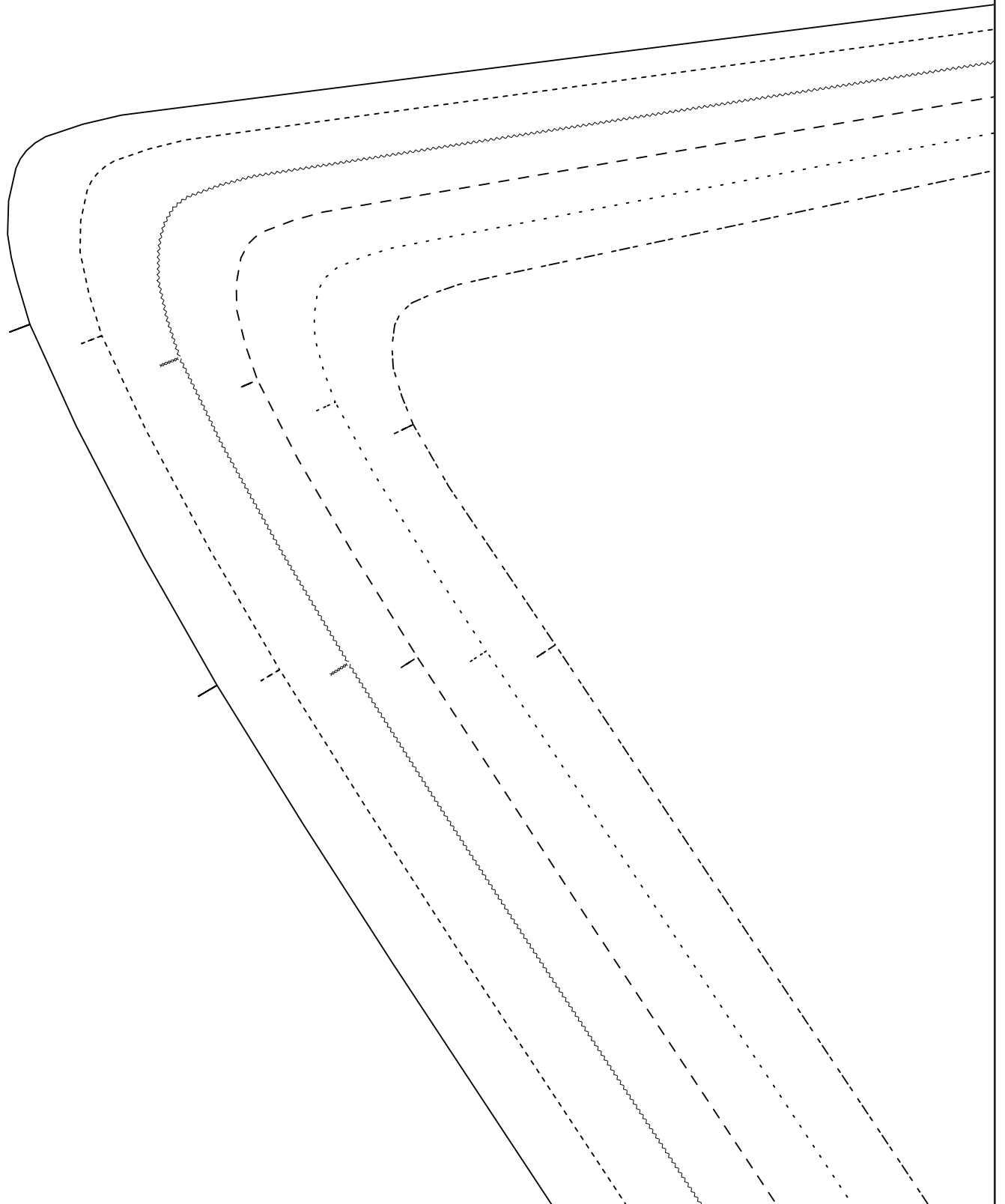
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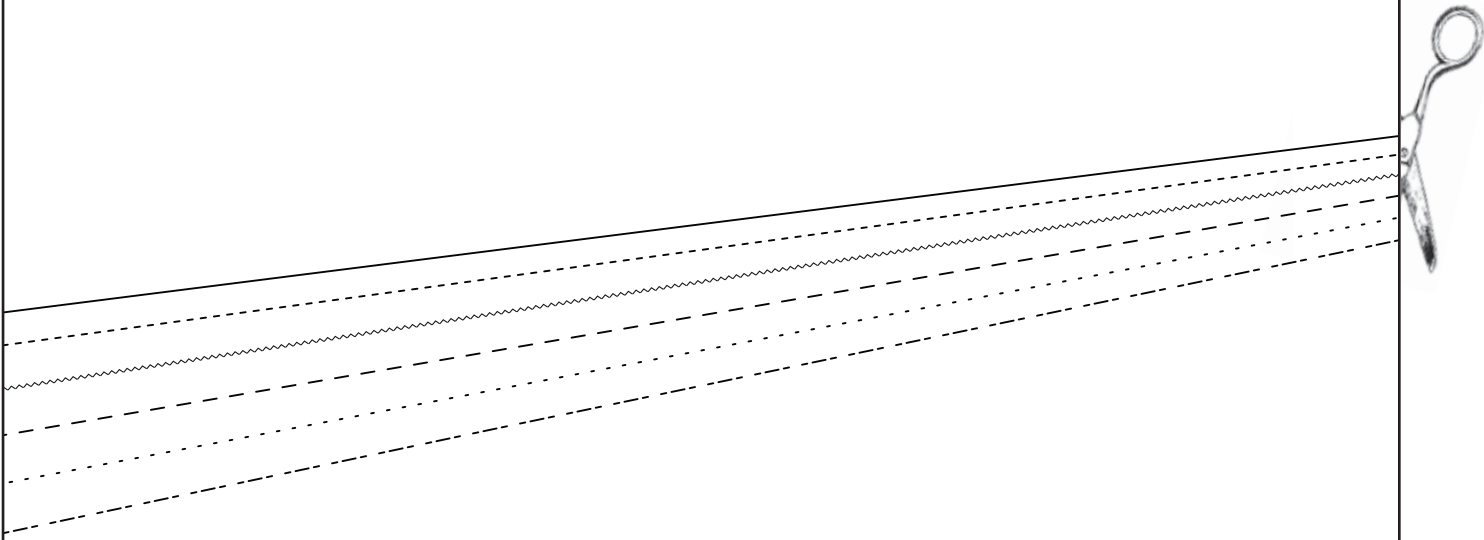


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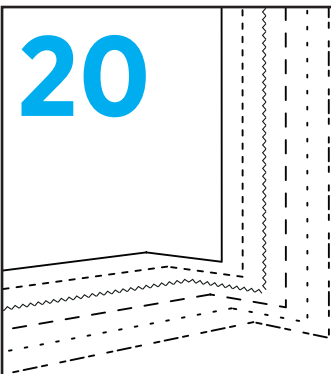








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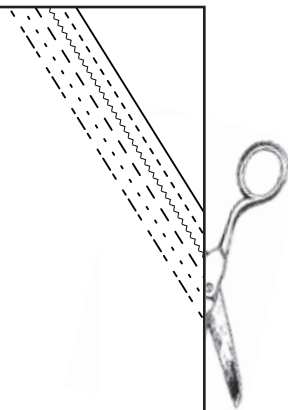


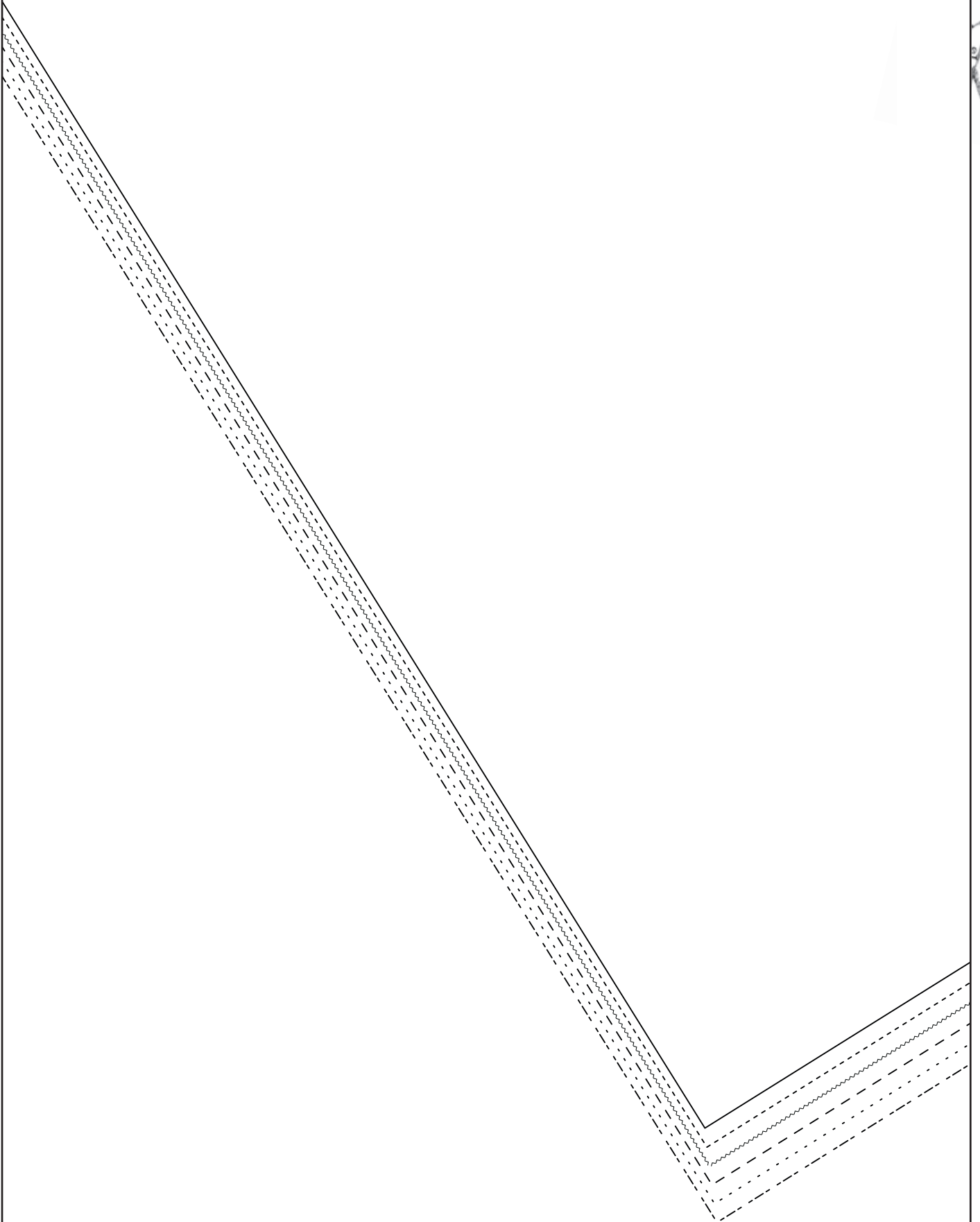
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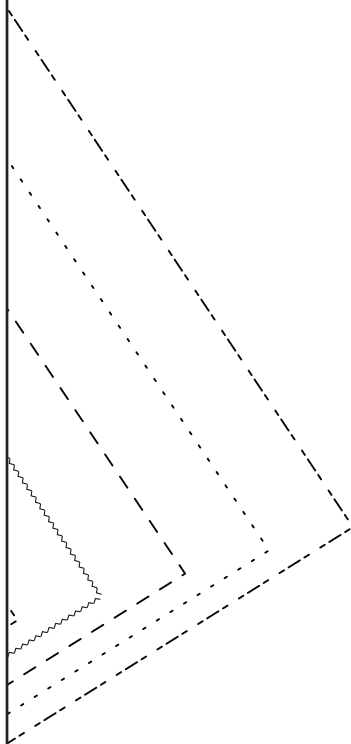
SWEATSHIRT
NECK BINDING
CUT 1 - lightweight jersey
(SIZES 8 - 18)

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SIZE 10
SIZE 12
SIZE 14
SIZE 16
SIZE 18

