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The Small Backpack Pattern

If you have been watching the size and style of bags lately, you've probably noticed all those impossibly cute little backpacks everyone is carrying. Along those lines, I've made this small backpack pattern to be small (and cute) but still big enough to be practical.

You can also use this small backpack as a cross-over or cross body bag as well. I made that way because I like to have options and truth-be-told, I am a bit paranoid with a backpack. I guess having grown up in Panama where, as the saying goes, "pickpockets can remove your socks without even taking off your shoes" I have had my share of missing money and wallets. This is why I've added a pocket in the back with a zipper. There's an internal pocket, also with a zipper, and even the outside pocket has a zipper. So if you can remember where you put your wallet, the chances of keeping it are high..

There's also a possibility of adding one more pocket to stash your mobile phone, but I will leave that up to you. I will show you how to add it you want it. Please note, however, it will not be included in the pattern, so this is probably for the intermediate to advanced sewists. The rest of the project is suitable for beginners.

I think you'll like this project particularly if you're just starting out making bags. It will make a great accessory for your wardrobe or a fantastic gift for a friend or a loved one. I made two for this tutorial and I'm keeping one and giving the other to my teenage daughter. She loves it.

You can read more about this pattern over at So Sew Easy **HERE.**

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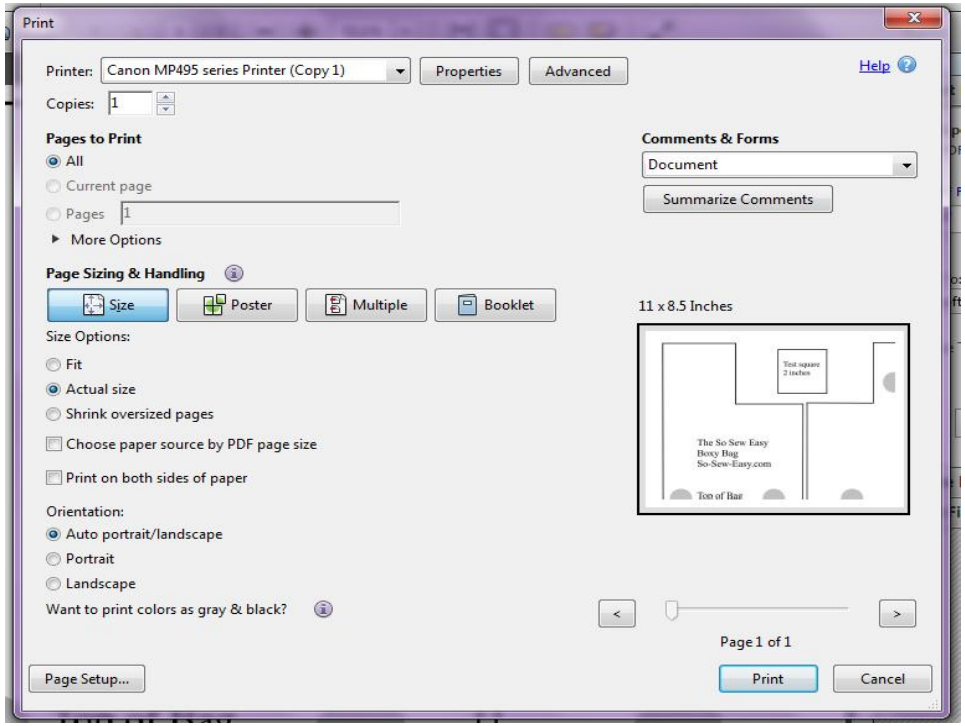

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Use the grey guides on the overlap of the sheets to match up the pattern pieces, folding under or cutting off any overlaps, tape together and cut out your pattern pieces.

Also note that you will need to cut two straps at 4 inches by 22 inches, for which no pattern piece is supplied – it's just a rectangle! You can draw the straps on the reverse of your fabric to cut.

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Materials:

- 1/2 yard of canvas, oil cloth or parachute fabric
- 1/2 yard fusible interfacing
- 1/2 yard of lining
- 2" cotton tape
- Thread to match
- One (1) 18" Nylon zipper
- One (1) 10" nylon zipper
- One (1) 10" nylon zipper (inner pocket optional)
- Jeans needle or leather needle
- Four (4) D Rings
- Two (2) Lobsters Claw
- Two (2) 1" Rectangular buckles for tensioning the straps

Tools:

- Zipper foot
- Scissors or a rotary cutter
- Walking foot (optional)

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2”x 2” square test

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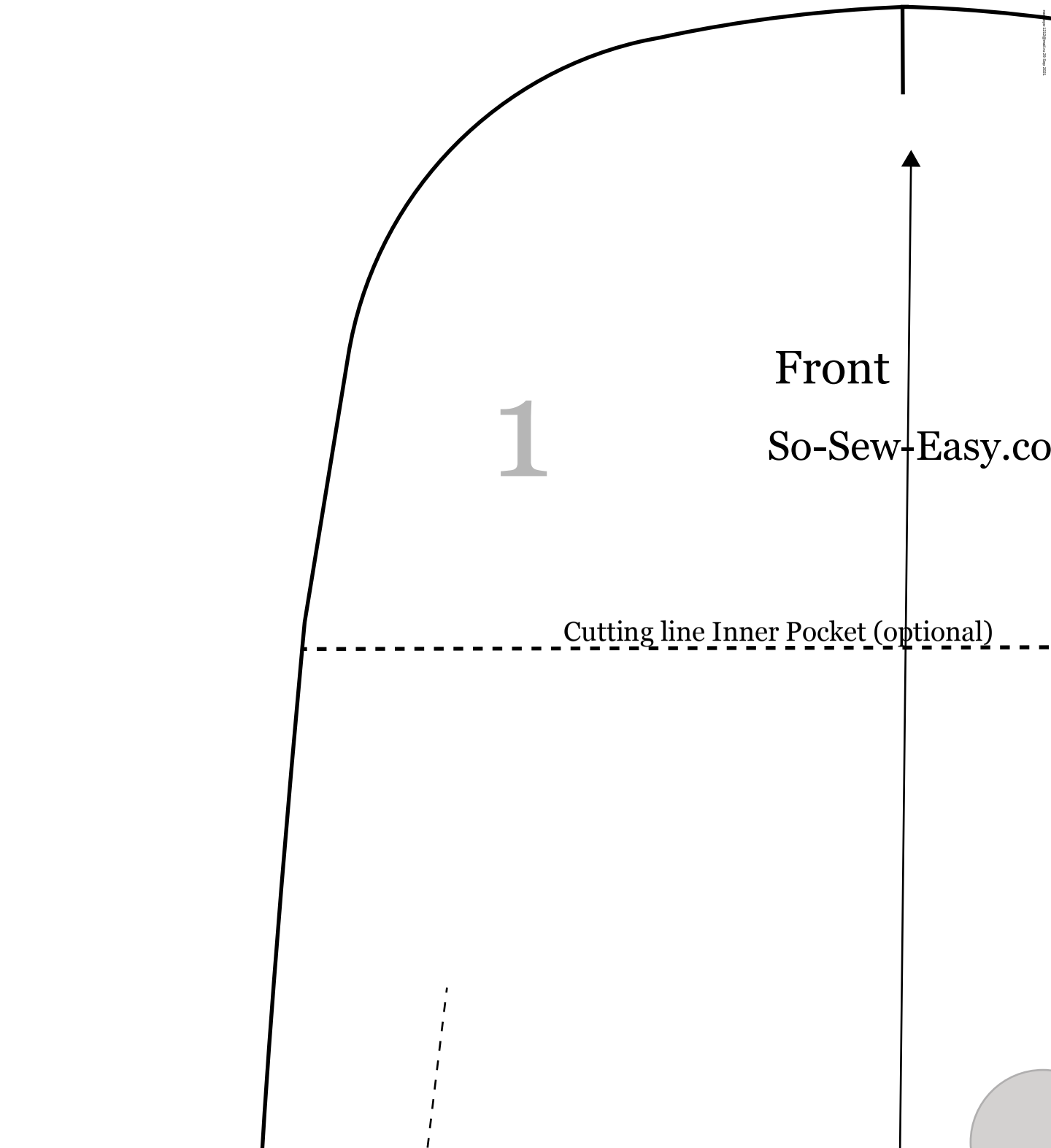

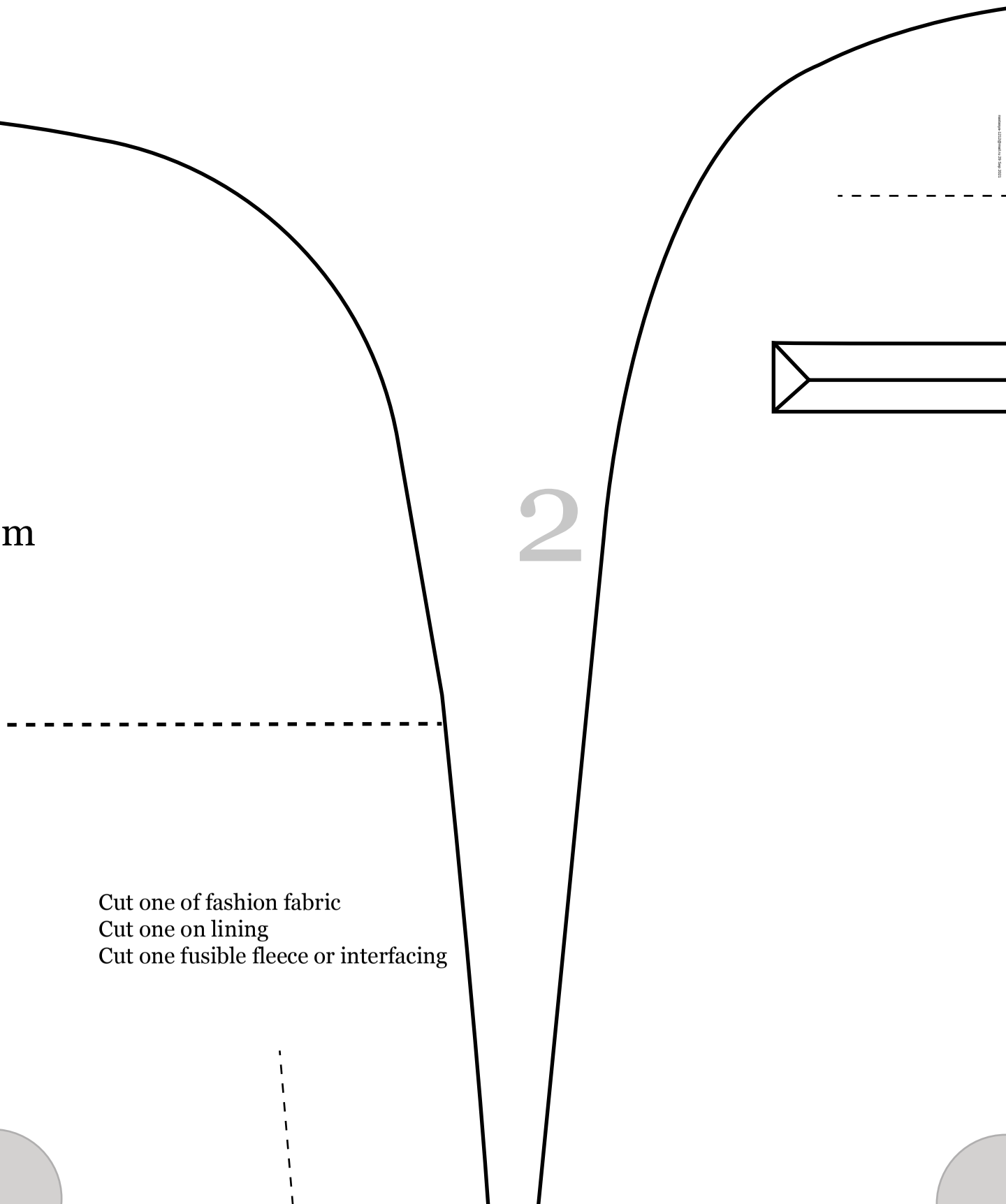
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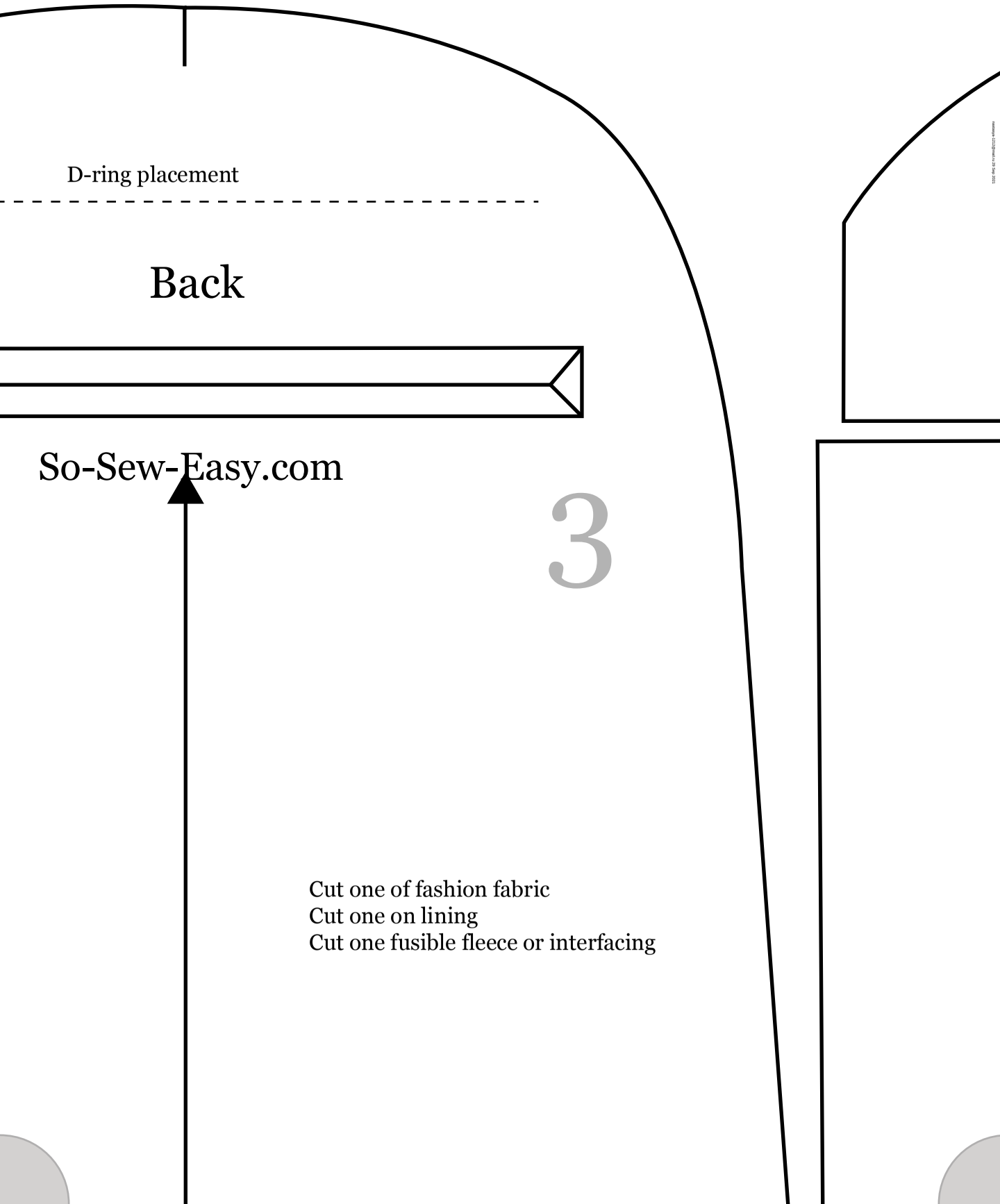
Cut one on lining
Cut one fusible fleece or interfacing



Cut one of fashion fabric
Cut one on lining
Cut one fusible fleece or interfacing

Upper inner pocket
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Cut one on lining

Zipper placement

Zipper placement

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Pocket bag
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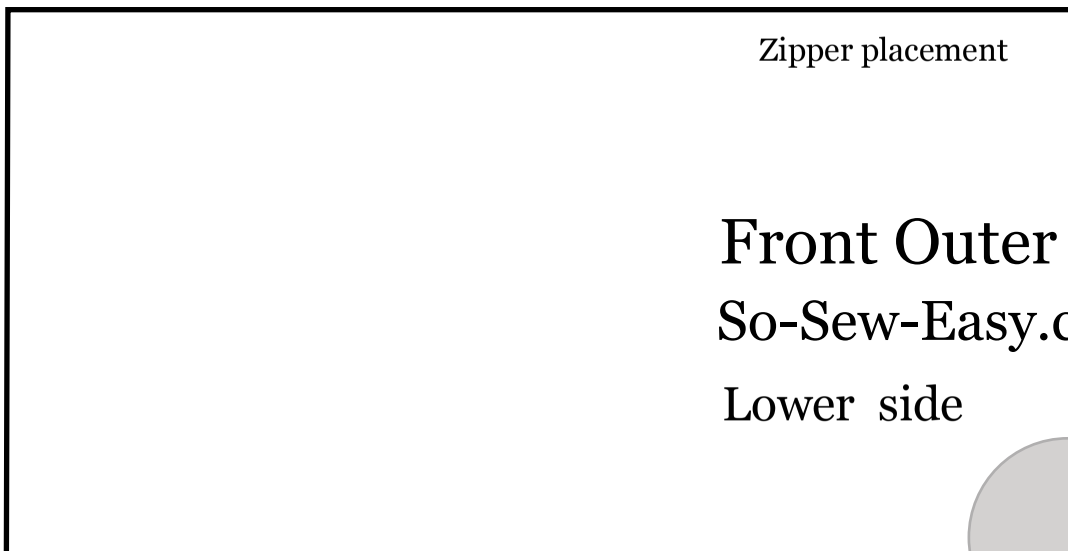
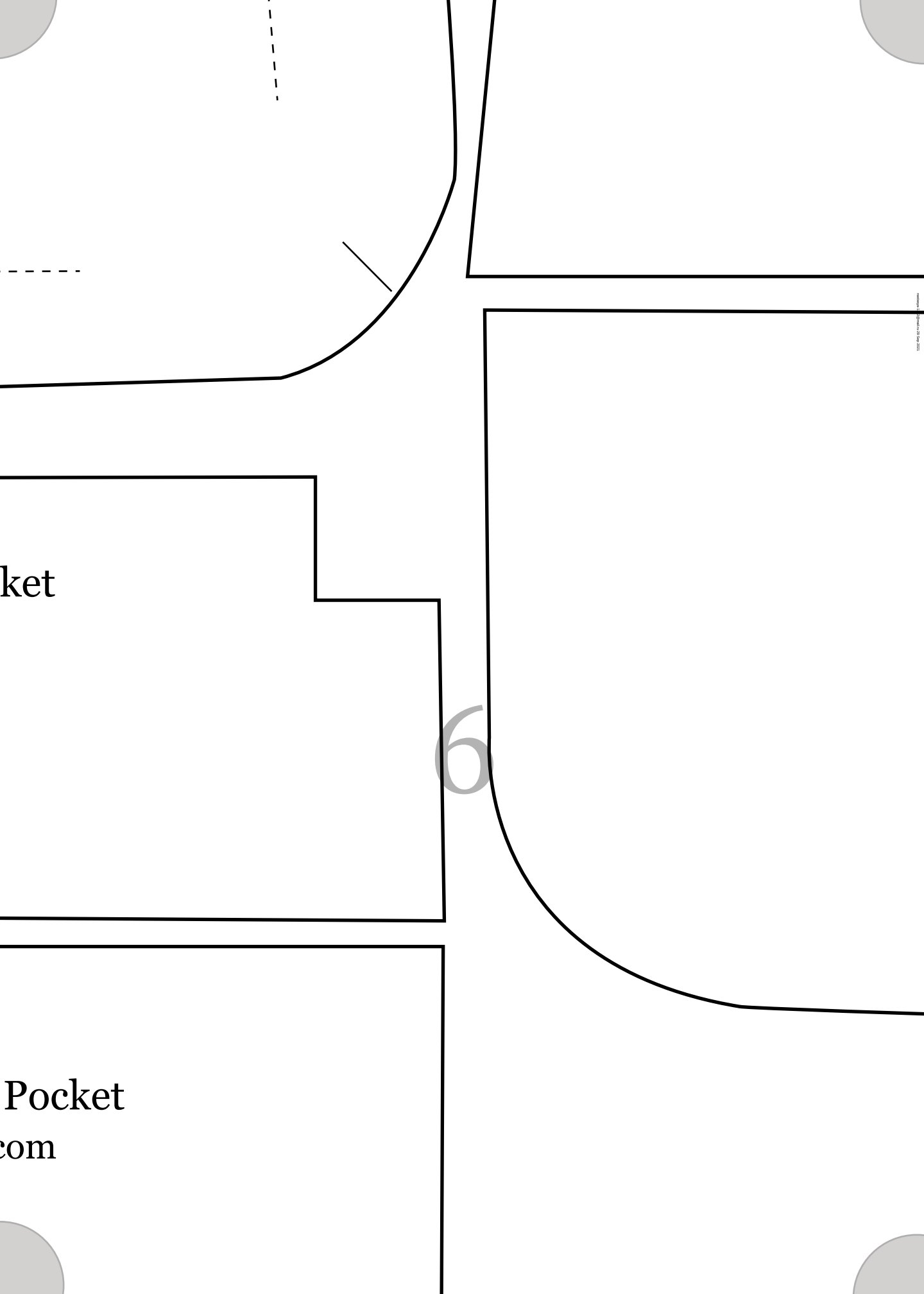
Cut one on lining

placement of pocket

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Back

Bottom

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Front

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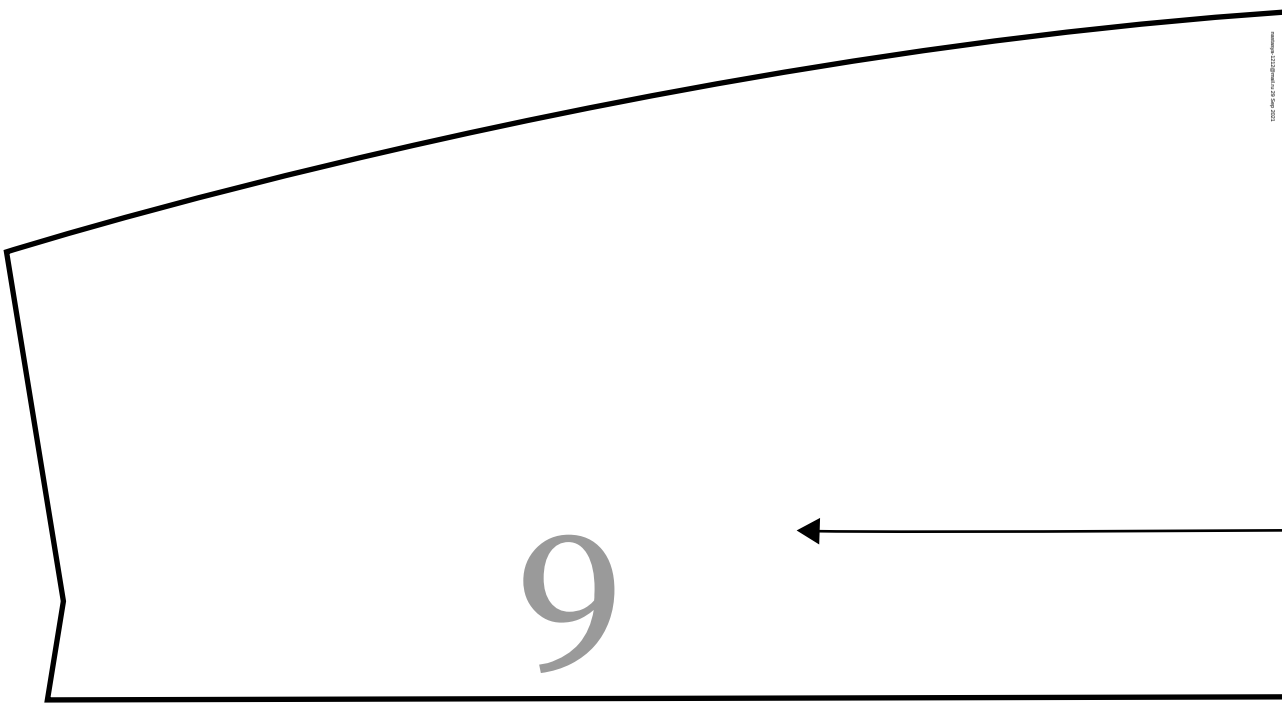

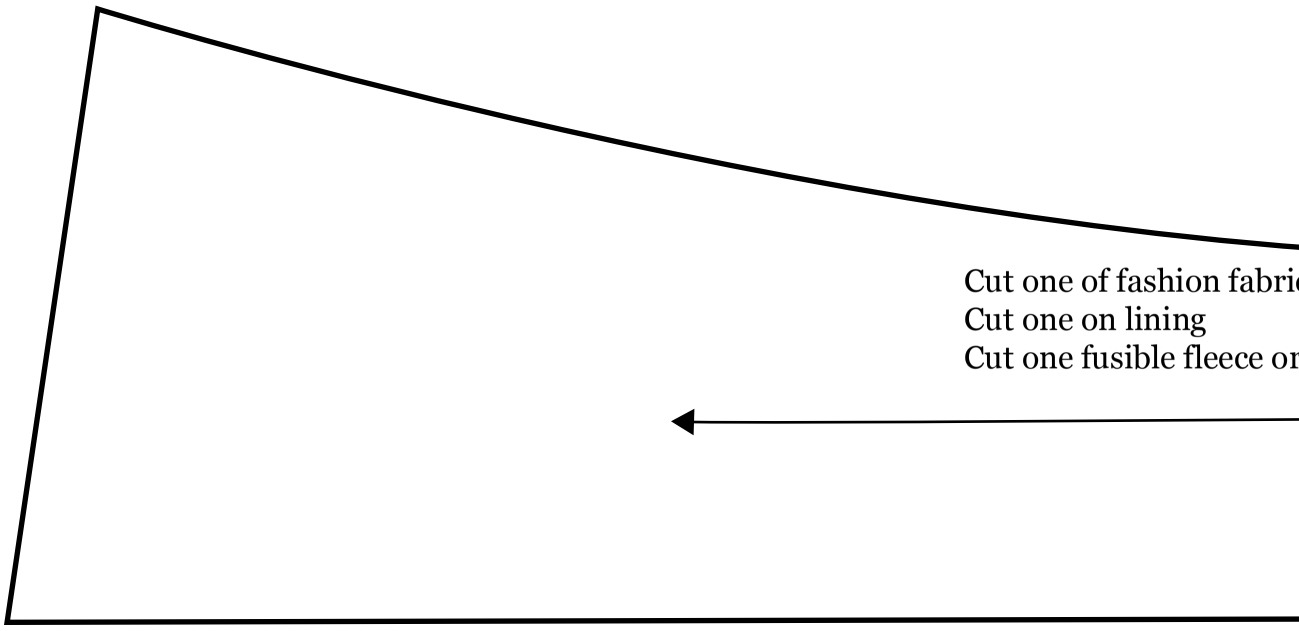

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Cut one fusible fleece or

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Back gusset

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Zipper Placement

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Front gusset

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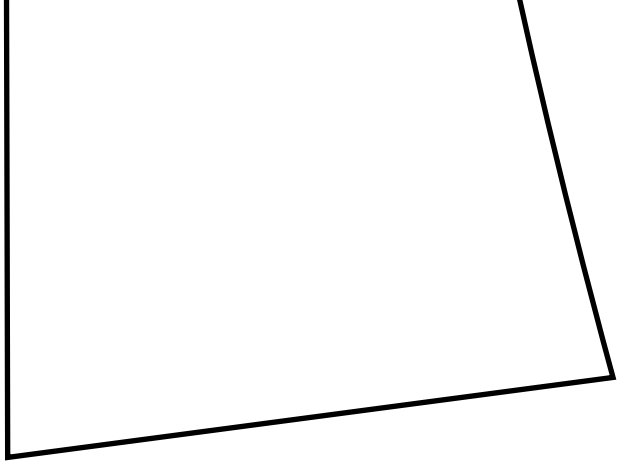
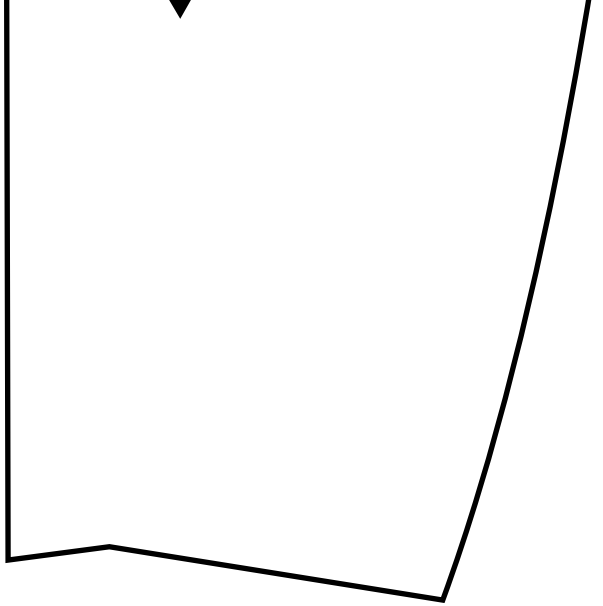
Zipper Placement





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Side Gusset
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Cut one of fashion fabric
Cut one on lining
Cut one fusible fleece or interfacing

Side Pocket
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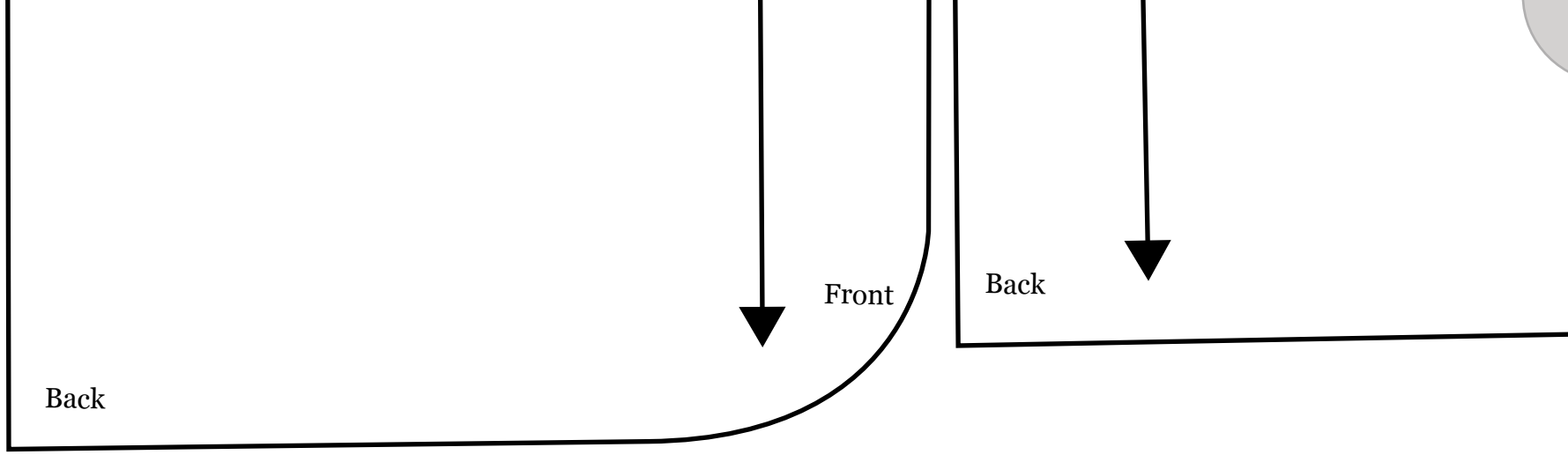
Cut two on fashion fabric



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