



Kadena Baby Kimono Pants



Kadena Kimono Top sold separately

These baby kimono pants are lovingly titled “Kadena” in honor of my oldest son’s first military base in Kadena, Japan. The pants fit roomy around the legs and have comfy elastic in the waist. They can be made in wovens and knits. They complete the look of the kimono outfit.

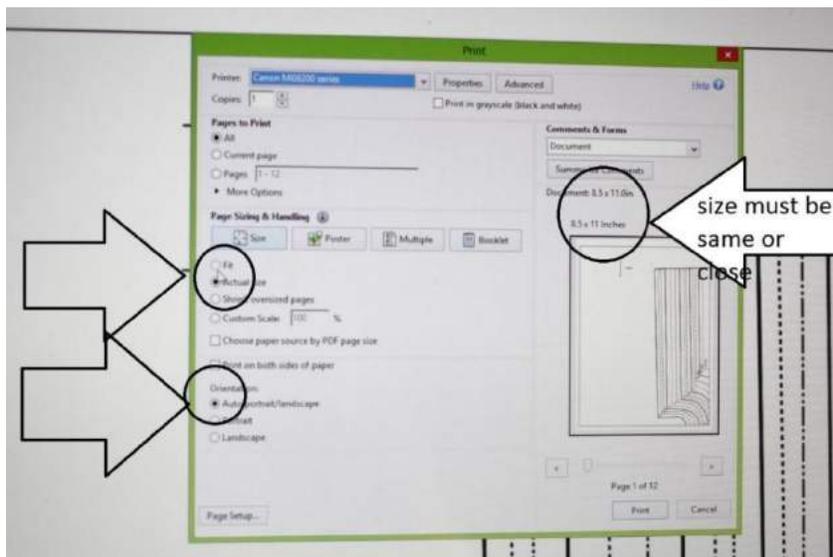
List of required materials:

- Regular woven cotton fabric (or batiste, chambray, poplin etc) or knit fabric with moderate stretch
- ¾” non-roll elastic (soft stretch is preferred)
- Sewing machine
- Standard needle for wovens and ball point needle for knits
- Overlock machine or serger (optional)
- Scissors
- Lip edge ruler
- Cutting mat
- Rotary cutter
- Measuring tape
- Regular standard needle for woven material (or ball point needle for knits)
- Matching thread for machine
- Iron
- Safety pin
- Straight pins
- Bias tape tool

Seam allowance: ¾” (or half a presser foot) if not stated otherwise

To print out your templates:

Print out your templates without scaling. Here is a screen shot of my print preview window:



Stitches:

For wovens = straight stitch on all seams



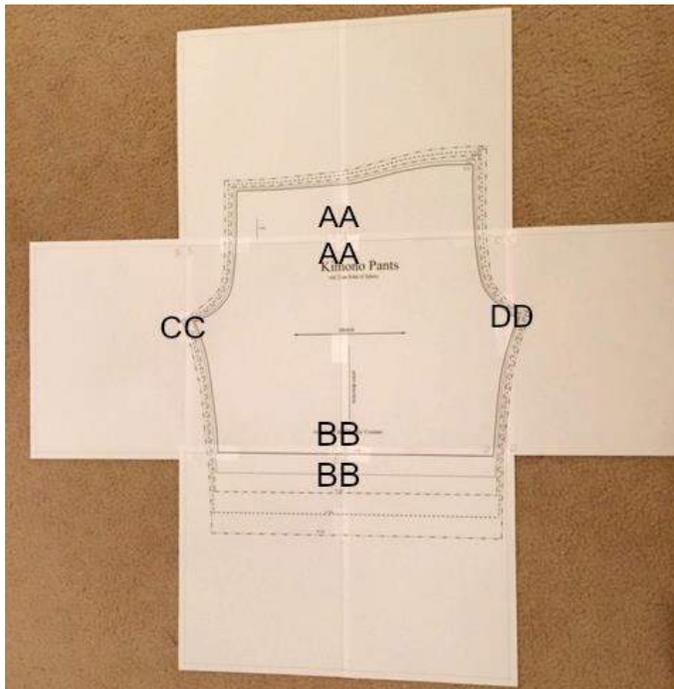
For knits = stretch stitch for inner seams



For knits = stretch stitch for topstitching bias tape

Make sure the 1" print scale on the template measures exactly 1". If it is even 1/8" off, the pants might not fit correctly!

This is what your printed cutout will look like:



Cut around the perimeter of each page and tape together matching the letters in the corners. Where I placed an arrow in above image is a tiny piece that belongs to the

Sizing chart – based on 42 inch wide woven fabric WITH print direction (possible SHRINKAGE INCLUDED!!!)

Cut out the fabric pieces according to the sizing chart below.

Size	Approx. Inseam length	Yardage for kimono pants	Yardage for bias tape	Cut 2x piece for leg binding	Optional – cut 2x for vertical strip*	Cut 1x piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ " elastic
0-3m	6 1/4 "	1/2 yd	0.05 yd	13 1/4"x 2"	14 1/2 "	12"
3-6m	7"	1/2 yd	0.05 yd	13 1/2"x 2"	15 1/4 "	14"
6-12m	8"	1/2 yd woven 5/8 yd knits	0.05 yd	13 3/4"x 2"	16 1/2 "	16"
12-18m	9"	5/8 yd	0.05 yd	14"x 2"	17 1/2 "	17"
18-24m	10"	5/8 yd	0.05 yd	14 1/4"x 2"	18 3/4 "	18"

*yardage for vertical strip is the same as for the leg binding

To cut out the two pant leg pieces:

Fold your fabric in half, from selvage to selvage and place your template onto the folded fabric. Pin in place. Cut around the template.



You will now have two mirrored pant pieces:



To make the binding & the optional side strips:

You can make the binding as instructed in this tutorial but if preferred you can make it as a continuous bias tape. Please see this blog post: <http://www.diy-crush.com/blog/how-to-make-continuous-bias-tape/>

Preheat your iron without steam. With right side down, insert strip into the bias tape maker tool. It will automatically fold in the long edges. With the help for your fingers press the edges towards the center of the fabric in an equal distance. The edges should not overlap but accurately face each other. Rather leave a tiny little bit of room where the raw edges meet. Press the folded area that is coming out with your iron, remove your fingers from the fabric and press your iron's steam button.

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(the following images are from the kimono top, that's why the print is different)



Repeat until your entire fabric strip is folded. Now fold your strip over lengthwise so that the folded edges meet perfectly.



Optional – sew on the vertical side strip:

The side strip matches the binding and looks adorable on girls and boys pants. If you are not adding it please skip to “to sew on the leg binding”.

Fold your pant leg in half lengthwise and press. This will form a crease which we will use as a placement for the side strip.



The side strip is done the same way the binding is done. Position the strip right over the crease.



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Pin in place and sew it down along the edges of the strip with a 1/8" seam allowance. Trim off any excess.

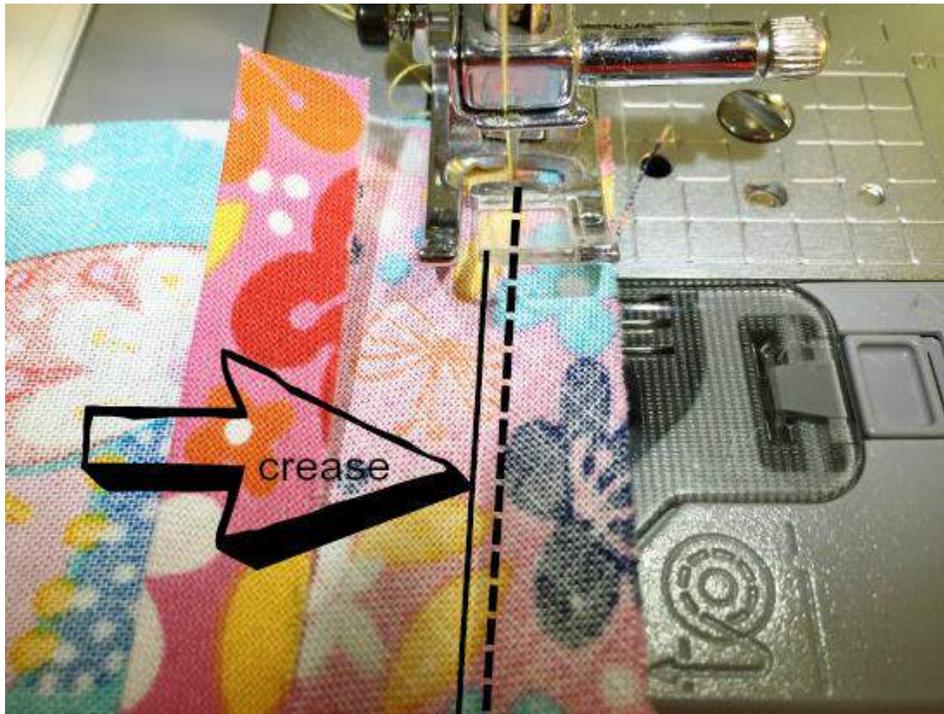


To sew on the leg binding:

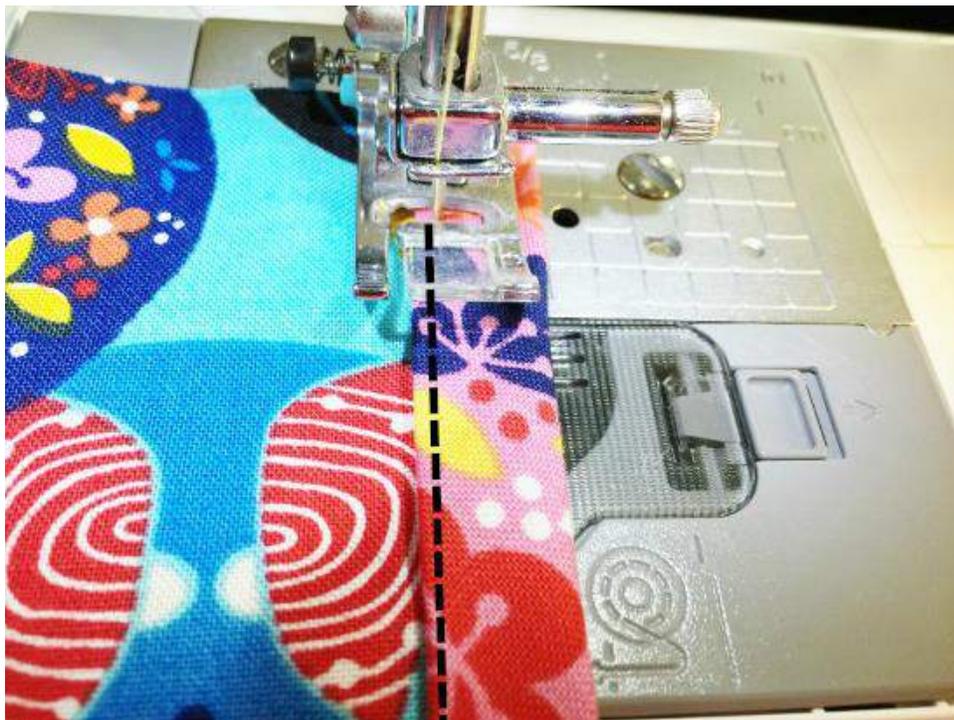
To sew the binding on, place one of the pant legs with right side down in front of you. Unfold the binding and place it with right side down and match the edges of the pants and the binding strip. Pin in place and sew along the dashed lines. Use a straight stitch for wovens and a stretch stitch for knits.



Your stitches should run slightly next to the crease as shown here:



Next, fold over the binding around the bottom edge and over to the other (right print) side. Pin the binding to the pants and sew it down with a straight stitch on wovens and with a wide stretch or zig zag stitch on knits. Keep a steady seam allowance of 1/8".



This is how the finished binding should look like:



Here is a pant leg WITH the side strip and the leg binding:



To sew the crotch area:

Place both pant legs with right sides together and pin the crotch areas on both sides. Sew in place and serge/zig zag stitch the edges.

**To sew the inseam:**

Unfold the pants so the crotch seams are in the center now. Spread out the pant legs and pin then sew the inseam as indicated below. Serge/zig zag stitch the raw edges.



To make the casing for the elastic:

First, serge/zigzag stitch the top edge all the way around. Then fold it down 1" and press. Pin if preferred then sew it down right over the serged/zigzag stitched seam. Leave a 2" opening in the center back. Backstitch the beginning and the end.

**To insert the elastic:**

Secure a safety pin to one end of the elastic and insert it into the casing.



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Once both ends meet, slightly overlap the ends and pin, then sew them together. Sew back and forth a few times for durability.



Add a size or care tag if preferred and close the opening with your machine. Backstitch the beginning and the end.



Now all there is left to do is to tuck in the thread from the inseam and secure those with a few stitches. On knits you want to hand stitch it down as shown here:



Here is how the complete kimono outfit.



Your Kadena Baby Kimono pants are done!



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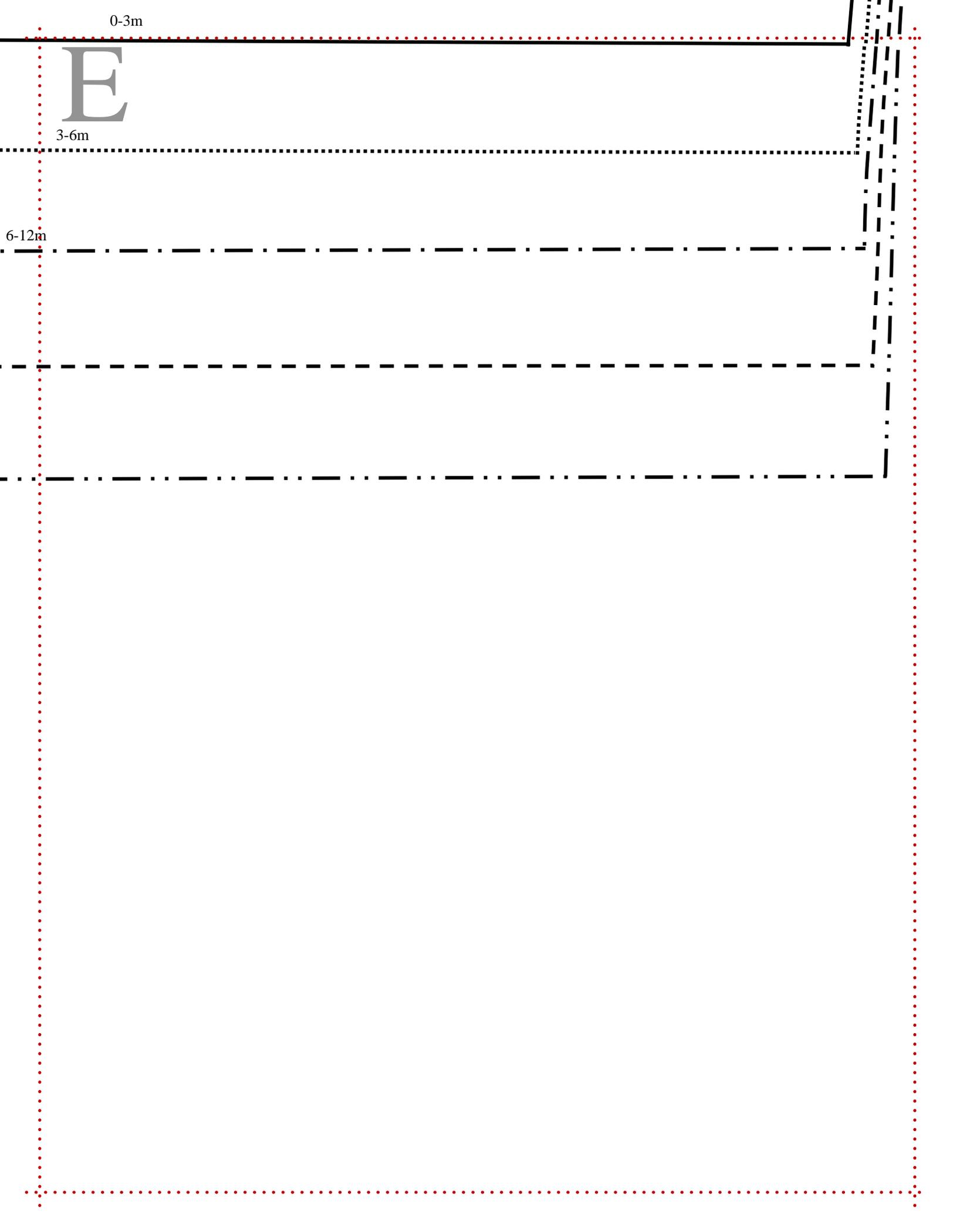
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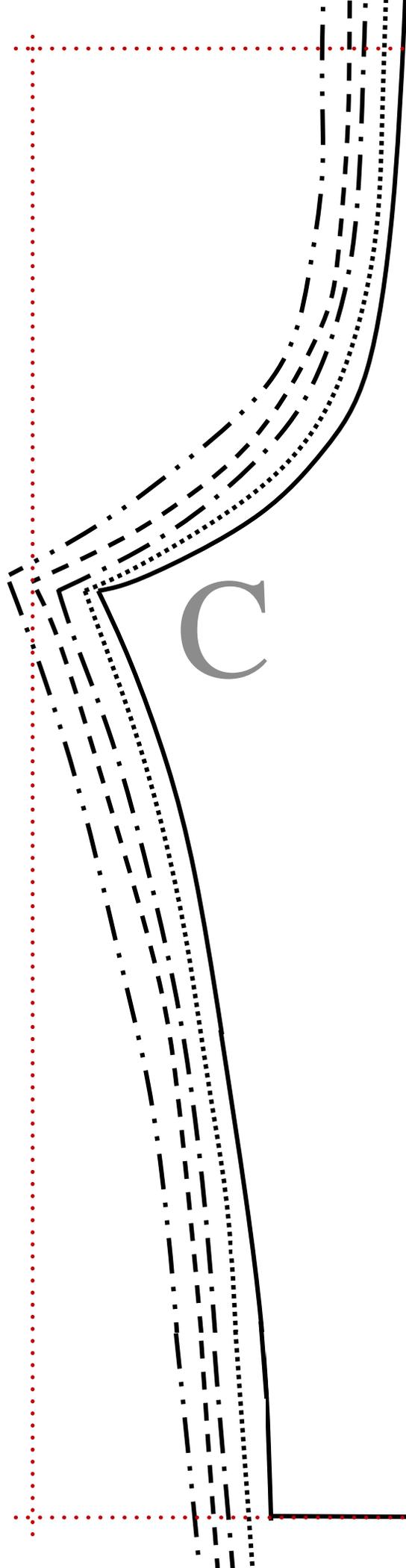
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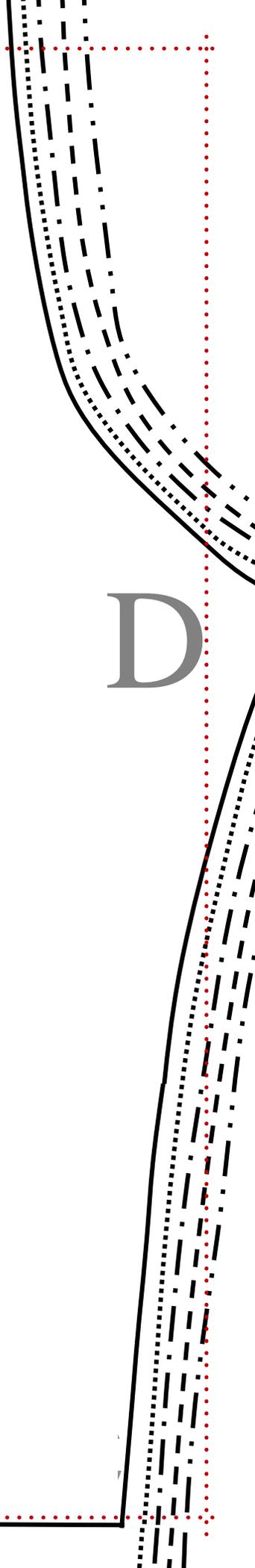
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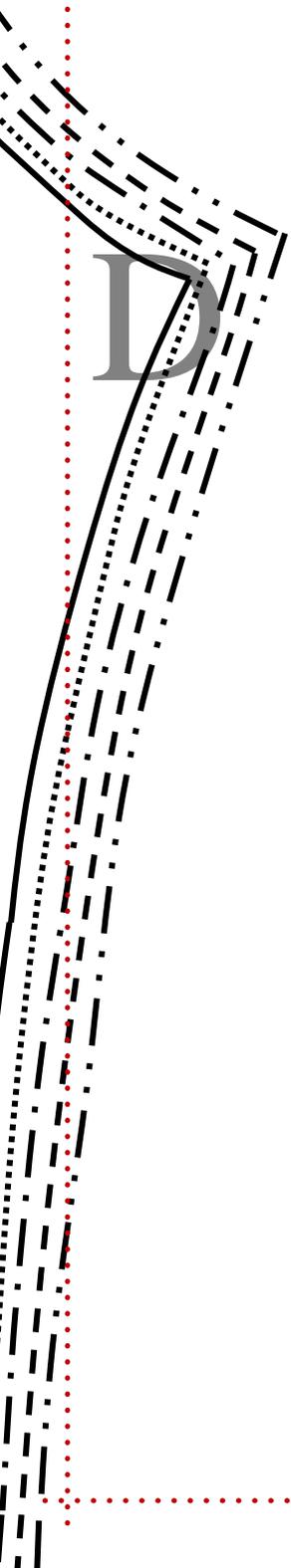


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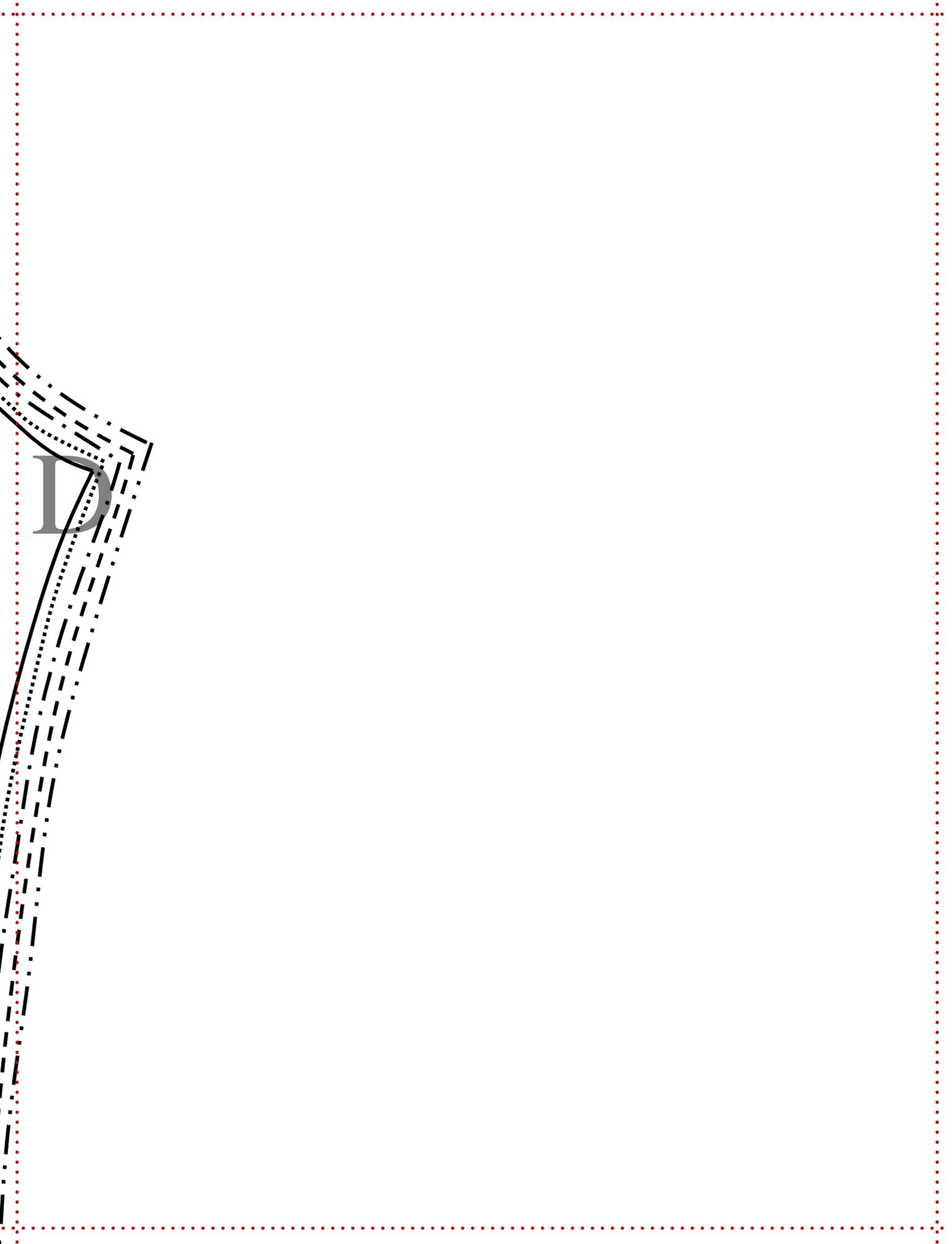
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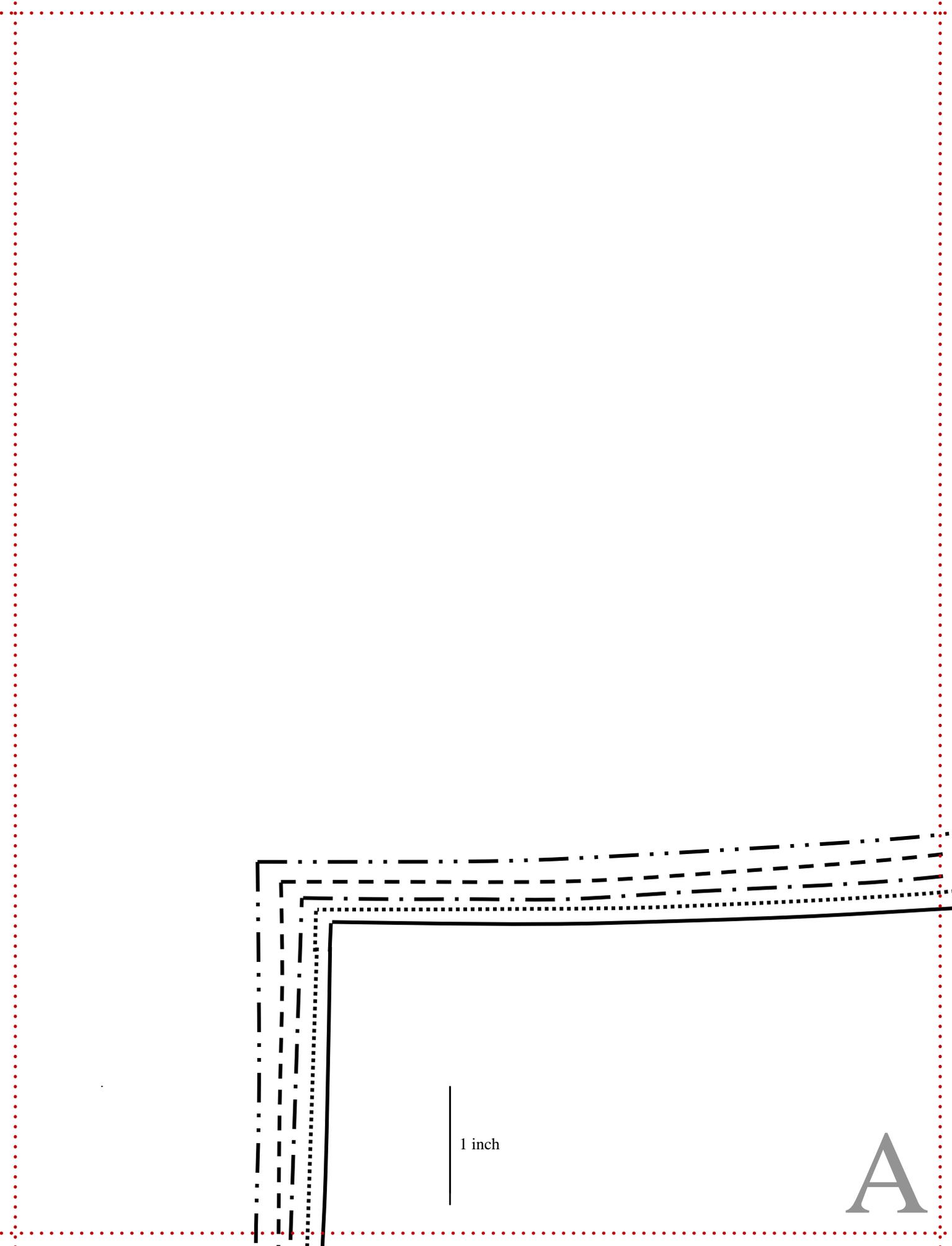
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