

# Dress & Escapism Exhibition Series

## Reproduction Pattern

### Housemaid's Dress

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Anne Lambert Clothing and Textiles Collection, 2014.1.3 abc

#### Garment Measurements:

- Bust: 80cm
- Under Bust (petticoat waist): 68cm
- Across Back: 30cm
- Armhole: 37cm
- Skirt Length (gown): 113cm
- Skirt Length (petticoat): 98.5 cm

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#### PRELIMINARY NOTES

For ease of printing, the pattern has been divided into fifty-five 8.5" by 11" sheets. Tape the pages together following the Pattern Layout. The pink lines and numbers are only present for the assembly of the pattern and should not be transferred to the fabric. Along each connecting edge, cut *one* of the two pages down to the pink line for accurate pattern assembly. Cut the pattern pieces out and alter as needed.

This pattern is drafted to the size of the Housemaid's Dress in the Anne Lambert Clothing and Textiles Collection and is extremely small. We recommend making a toile of the gown bodice in coarse fabric as a test to ensure correct fit once the pattern has been altered to suit your needs.

The original artifact was sewn entirely by hand, but it is your choice how you wish to finish the dress. The reproduction dress made in tandem with this pattern was sewn using both machine and hand-sewing techniques to save time. Each seam was sewn by machine, but the seam finishes and hems were all completed by hand.

We invite you to share your creations and experiences working with this pattern. Feel free to contact us at [anne.bissonnette@ualberta.ca](mailto:anne.bissonnette@ualberta.ca) or [chartrandj2@macewan.ca](mailto:chartrandj2@macewan.ca)

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## Suggested Order of Assembly:

### Bandeau

1. Baste and sew bust darts.
2. Press and baste all four edges with a double rolled hem as marked. Stitch.

### Gown

#### (Bodice)

1. Sew bodice side seams, and finish seam allowances with whichever technique you prefer (mock French seam finish, serge, etc.).
2. Press, baste, and hem long straight edge (over shoulder edge, open to neck) on side bodice pieces.
3. Stitch short edges of side bodice to bodice back creating the sleeve openings.
4. Finish top edge of bodice back with a double fold. Baste and stitch.
5. Baste sleeve tucks.
6. Sew sleeve seams, and finish as you like.
7. Hem sleeves with a double roll.
8. Sew sleeves to bodice shifting any ease into the tucks. Match seams to corresponding sleeve notch. Finish seam allowances as you like.

#### (Skirt)

9. Sew the center back skirt seam and finish seam allowance.
10. Double fold and hem front opening edges.
11. Baste pleats
12. Pin skirt to bodice, starting from center backs (the skirt does not line up with the bodice front edges). Sew.
13. Finish edge using a wide ribbon that extends far enough to wrap past the center front of the body on both sides. This ribbon will be used to fasten the gown under the bust.
14. Hem skirt.

### Petticoat

15. Cut placket on petticoat back following pattern markings. Press cut edges in a double roll, stitch. (Option to sew as a continuous placket, but placket piece not included in this pattern)
16. Baste pleats.
17. Sew petticoat back to petticoat sides, and petticoat sides to petticoat front. Seam finish as you like.
18. Fold waistband in half lengthwise matching good sides and following the fold line indicated in the pattern. Do not press. Sew the two short edges.
19. Trim points and turn waistband to good side. Press.
20. Attach one side of the waistband to petticoat skirt matching top edges of placket opening with waistband openings. Grade seam allowance and encase it within the waistband. Stitch closed.
21. Sew ties to waistband at top of placket opening as closures.
22. Hem petticoat.

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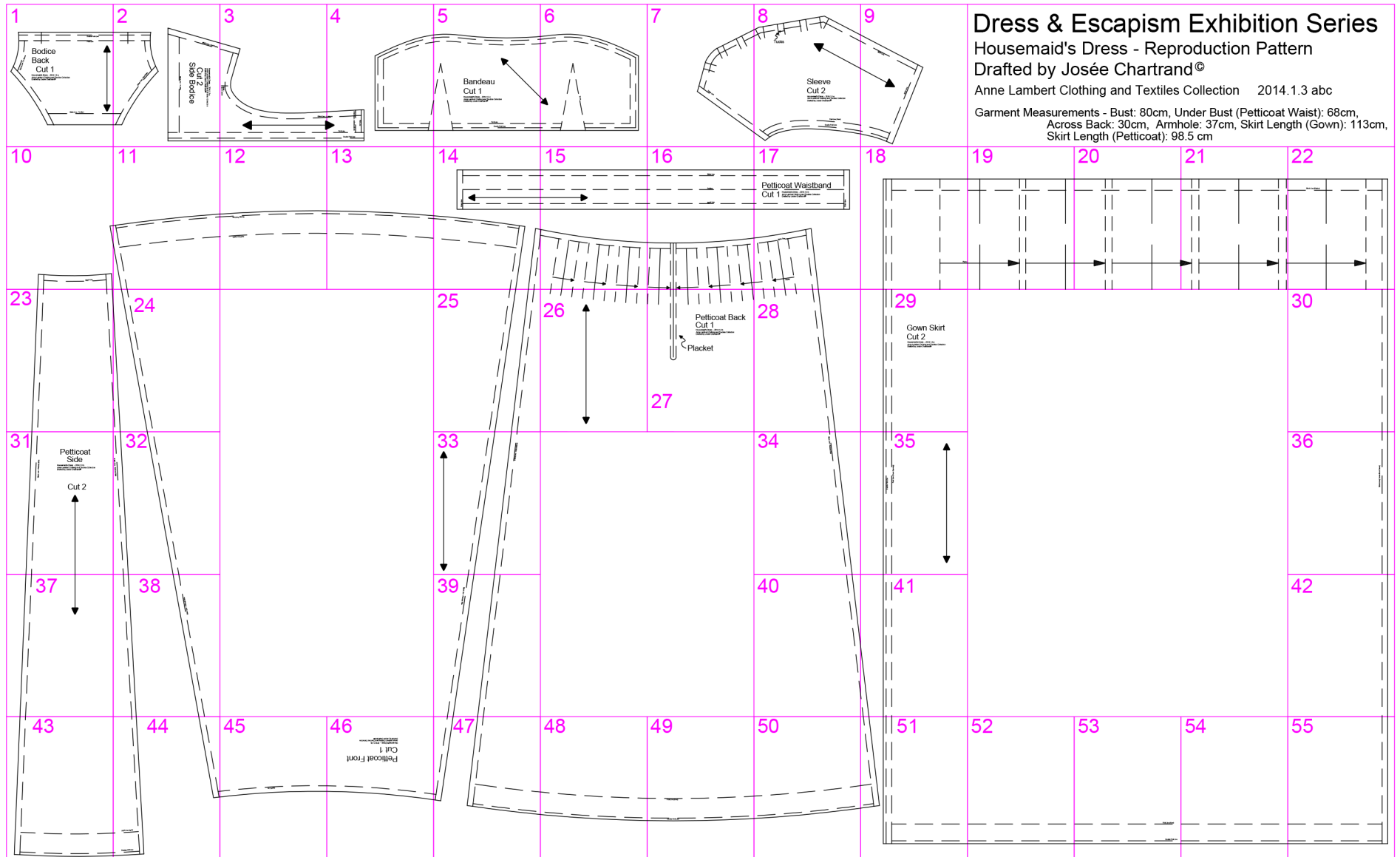
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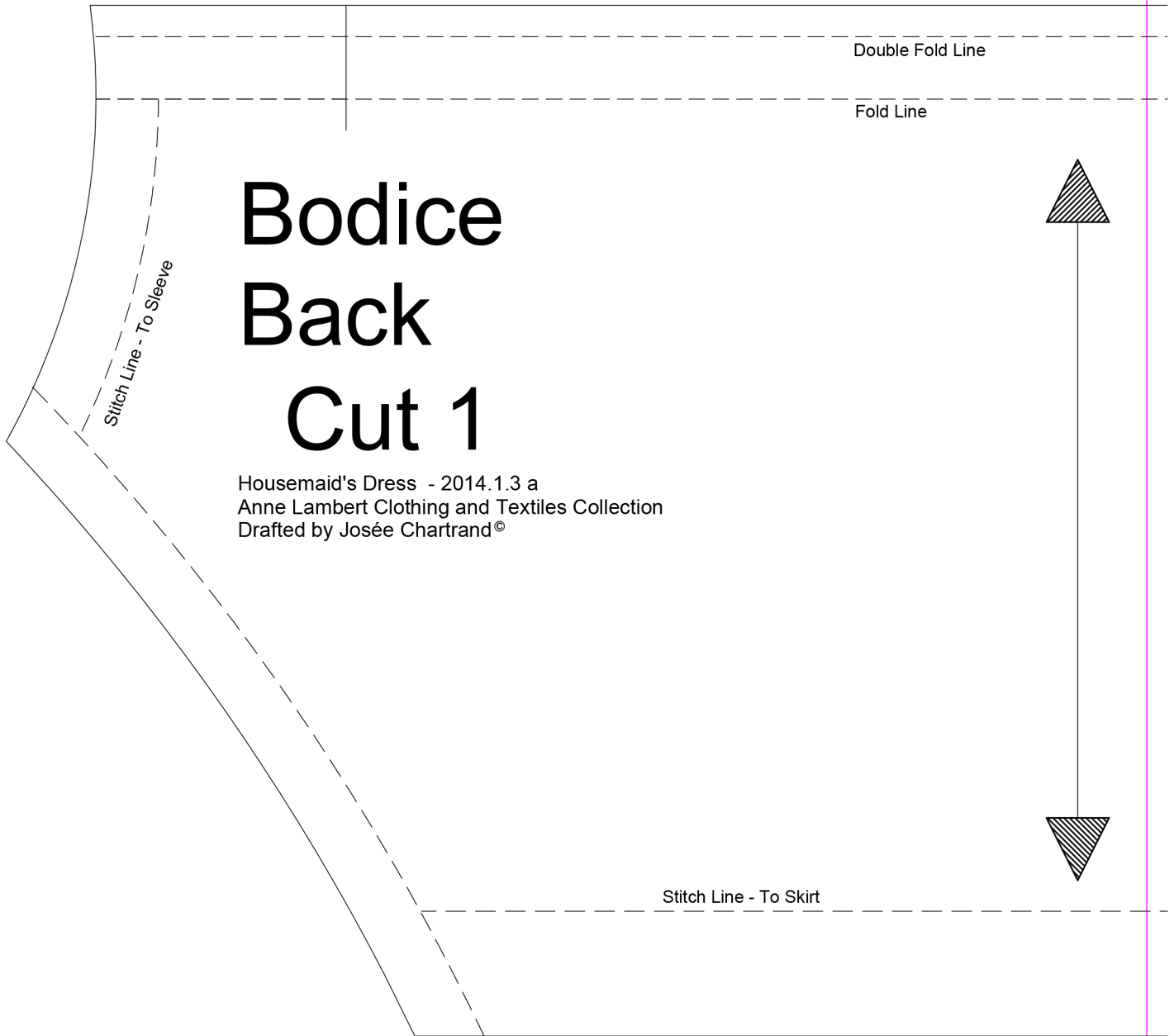
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# Pattern Layout



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# Cut 2

## Side Bodice

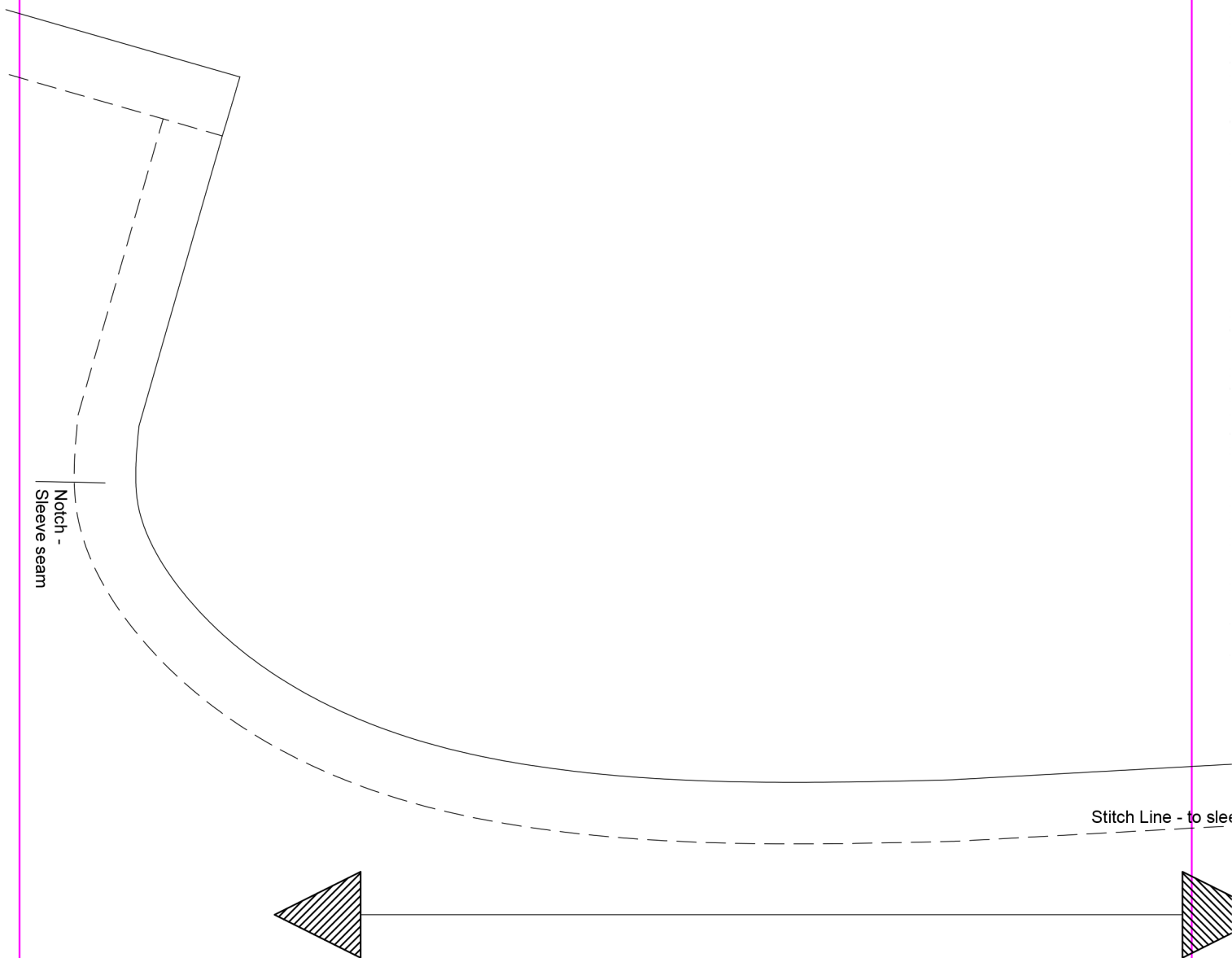
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Stitch Line - To Skirt

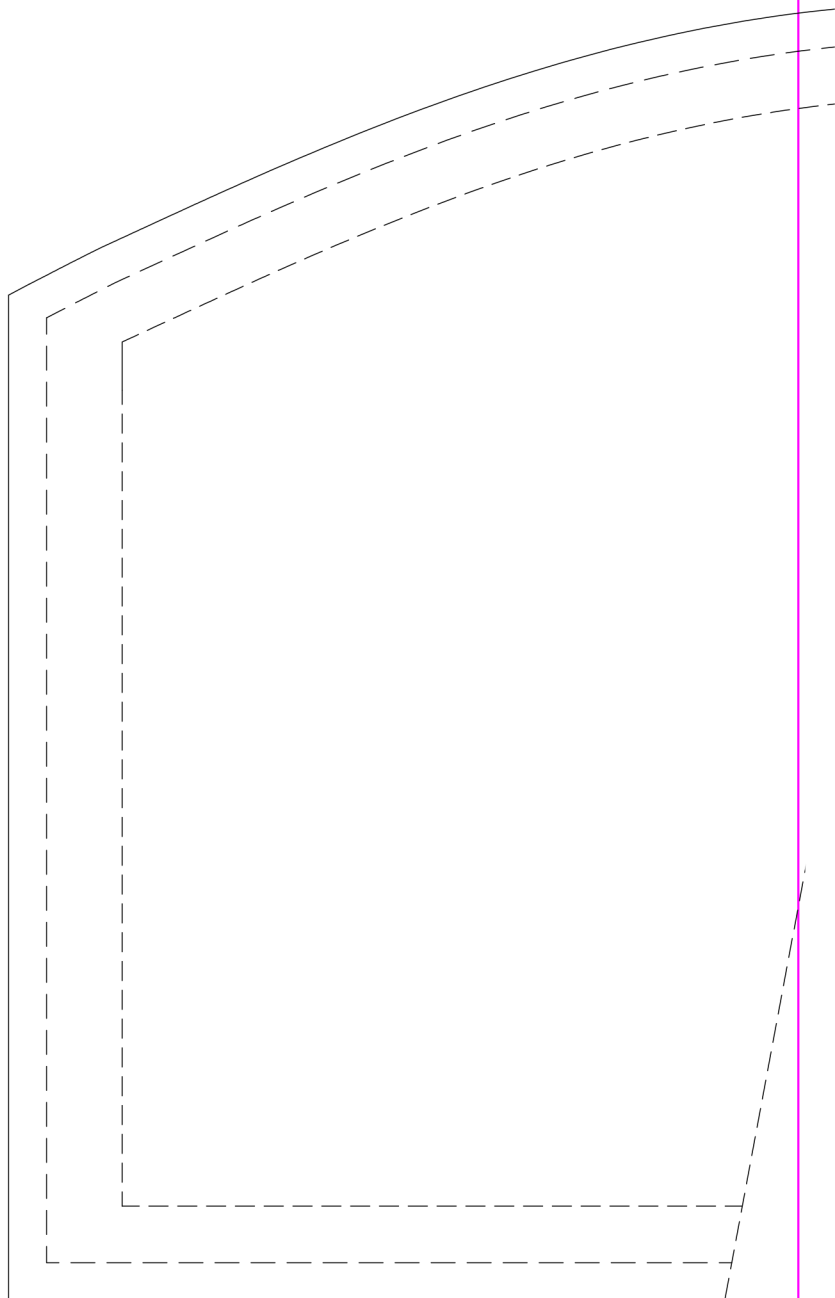
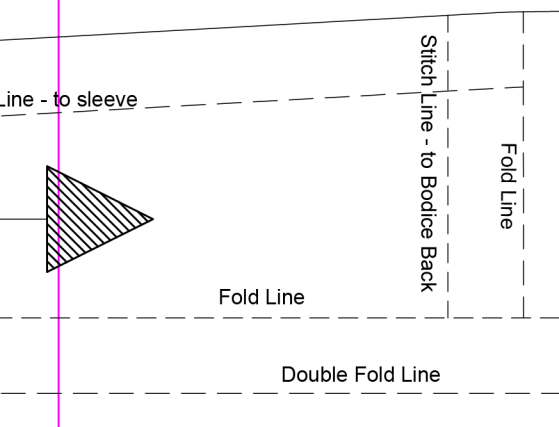
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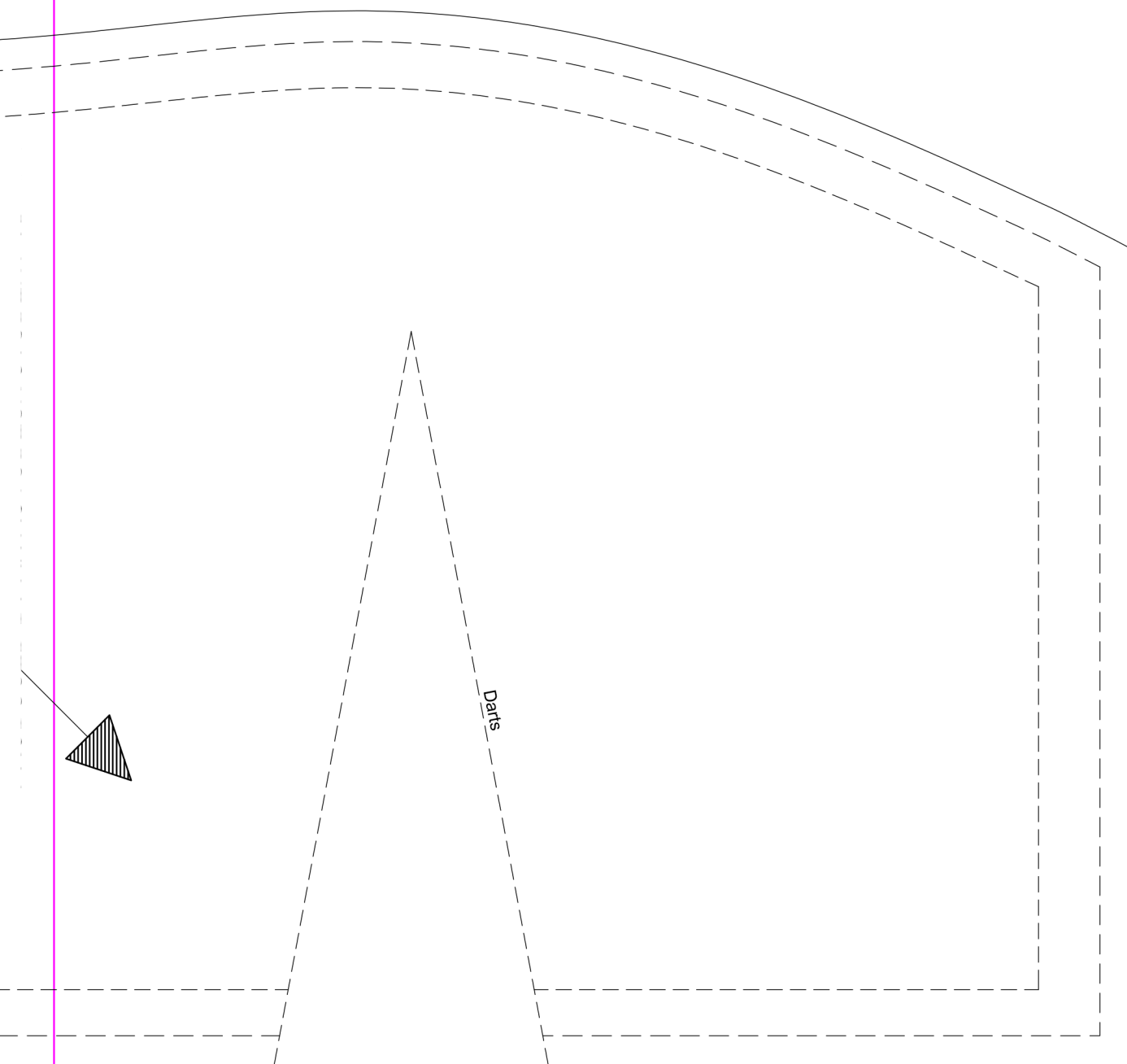
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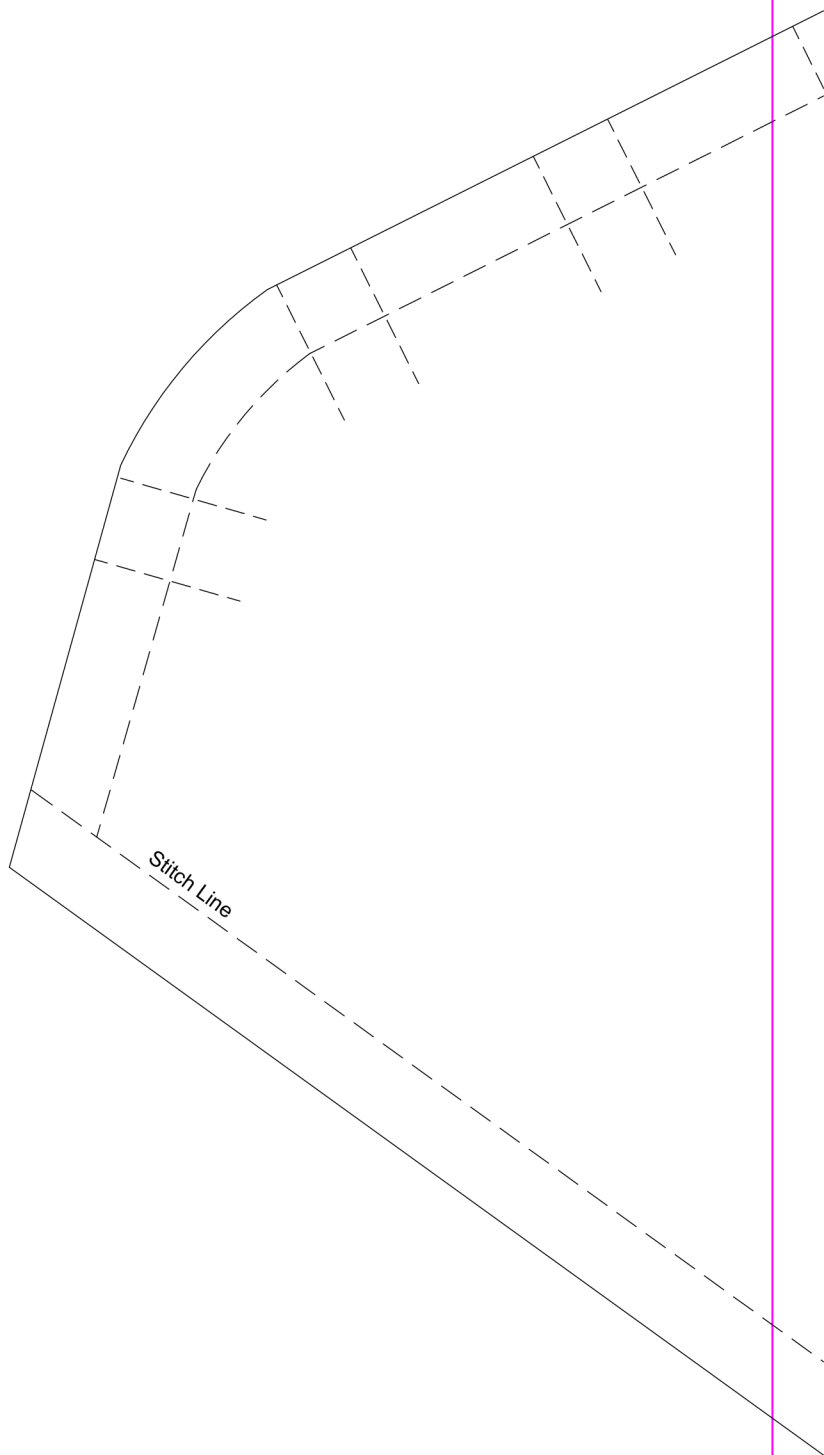
Fold Line

Double Fold Line

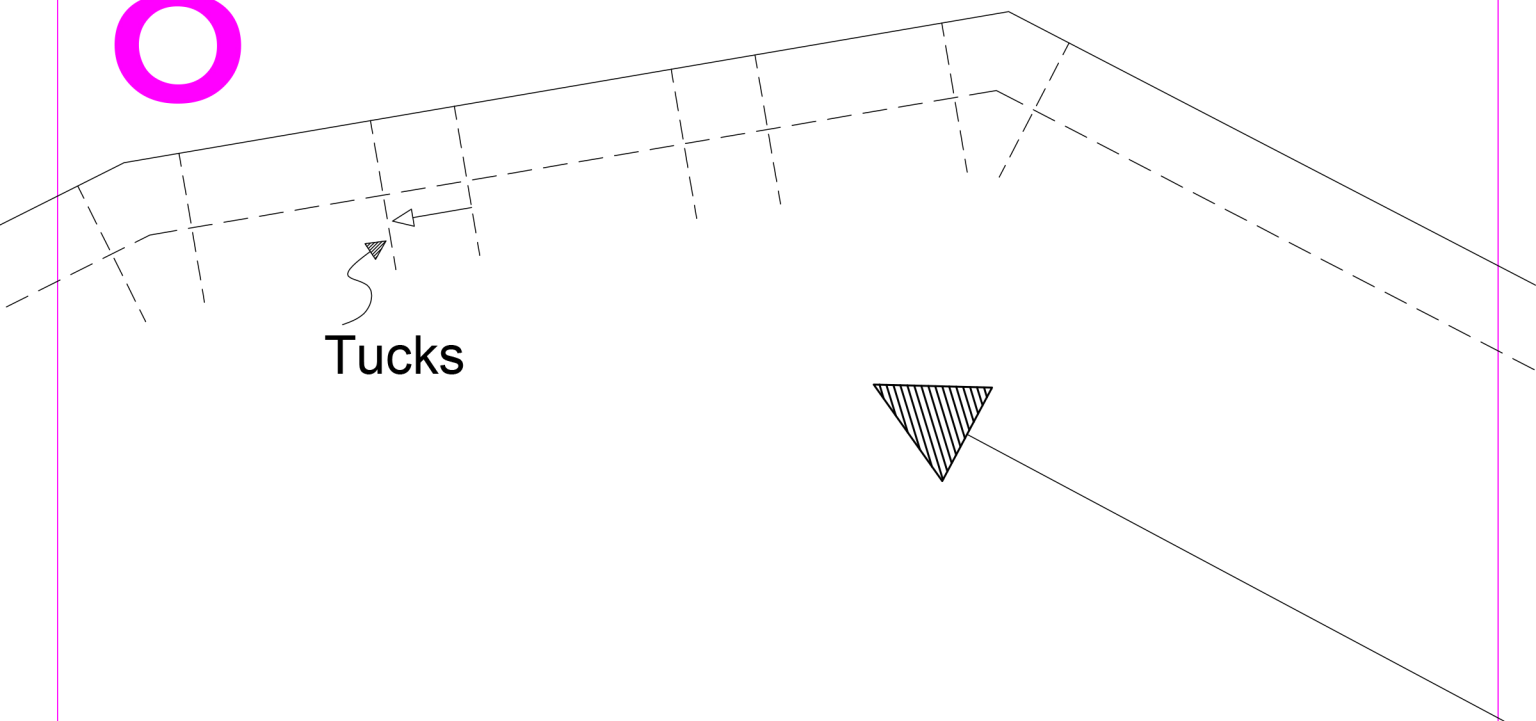
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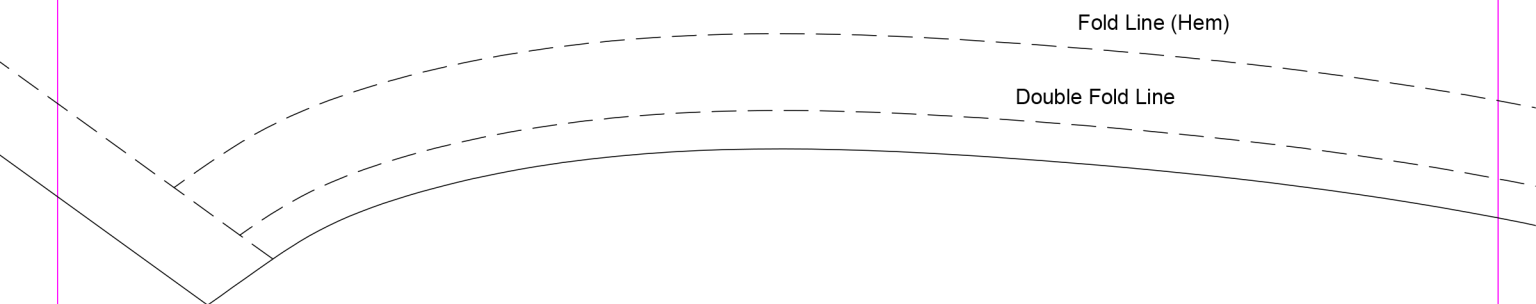


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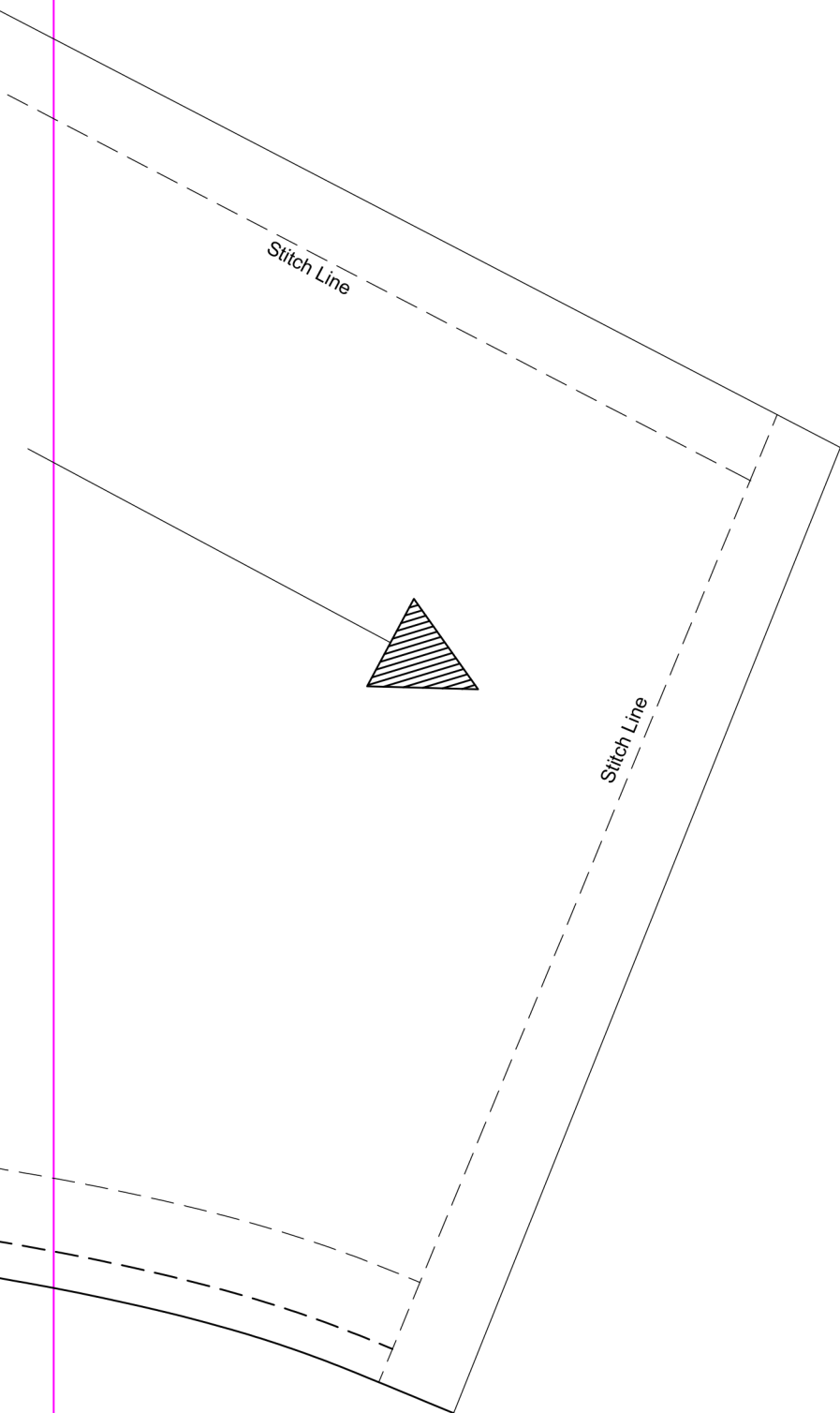


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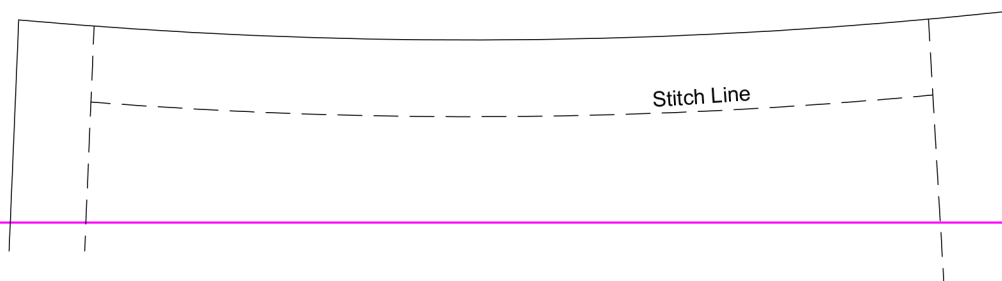
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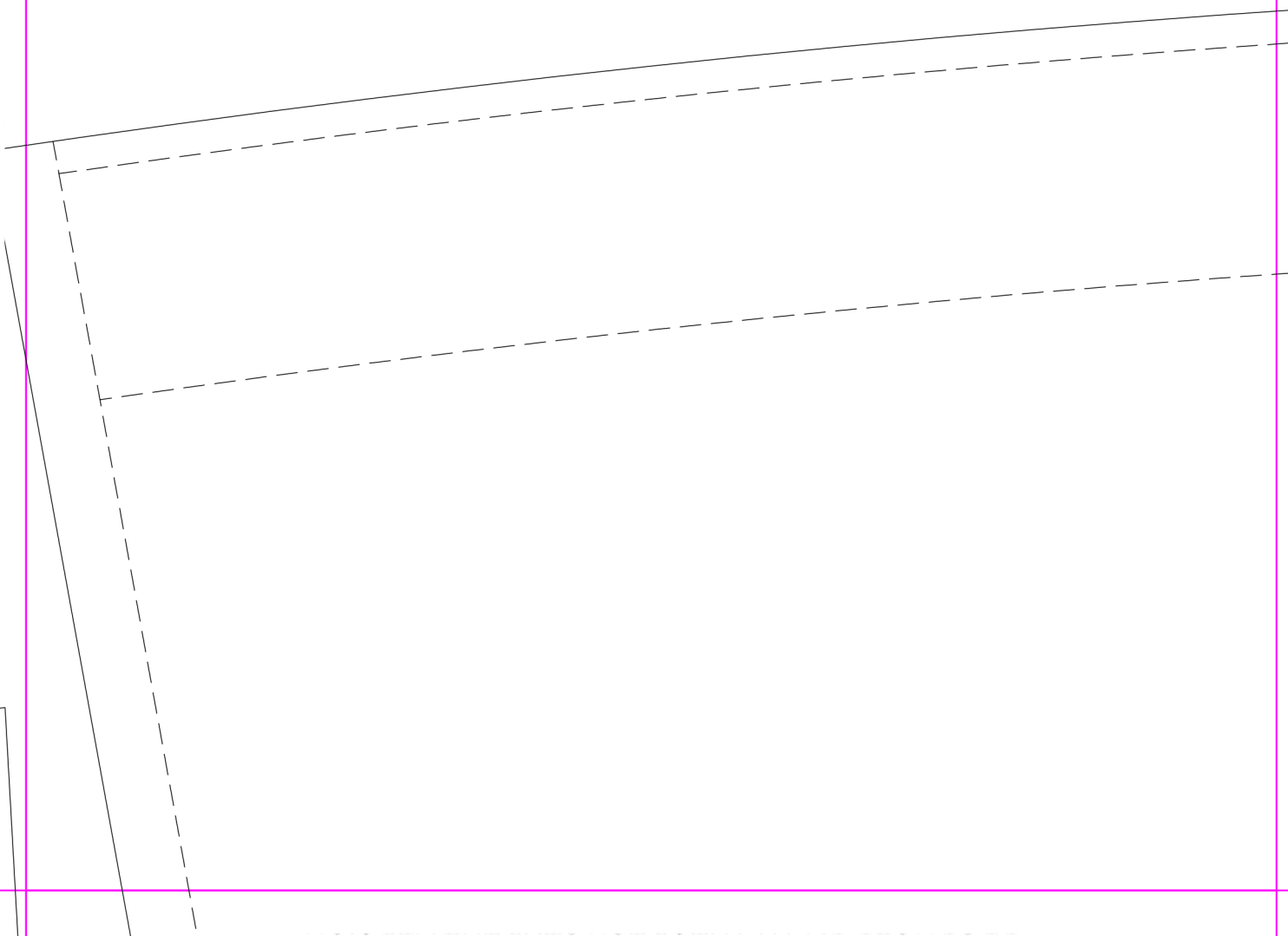
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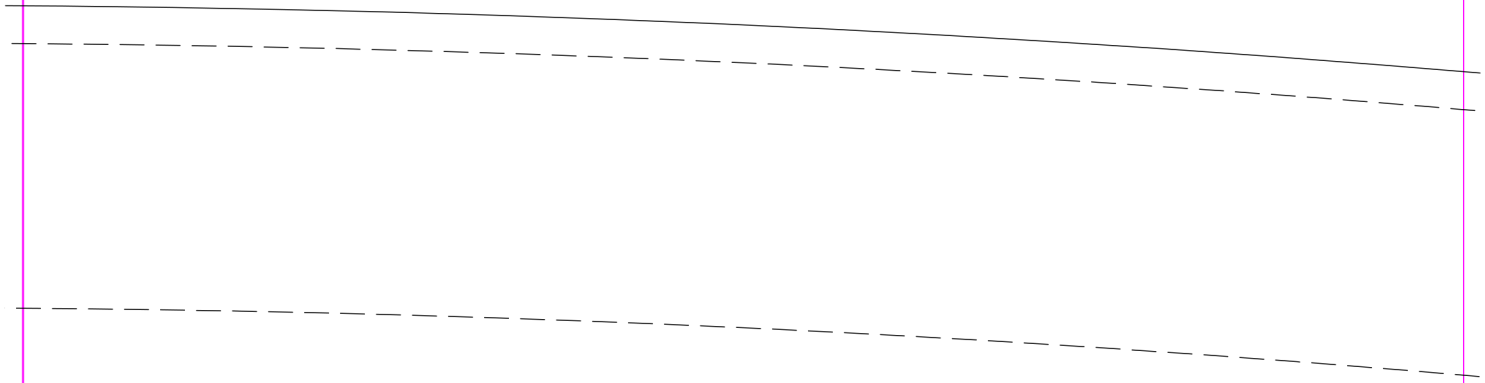


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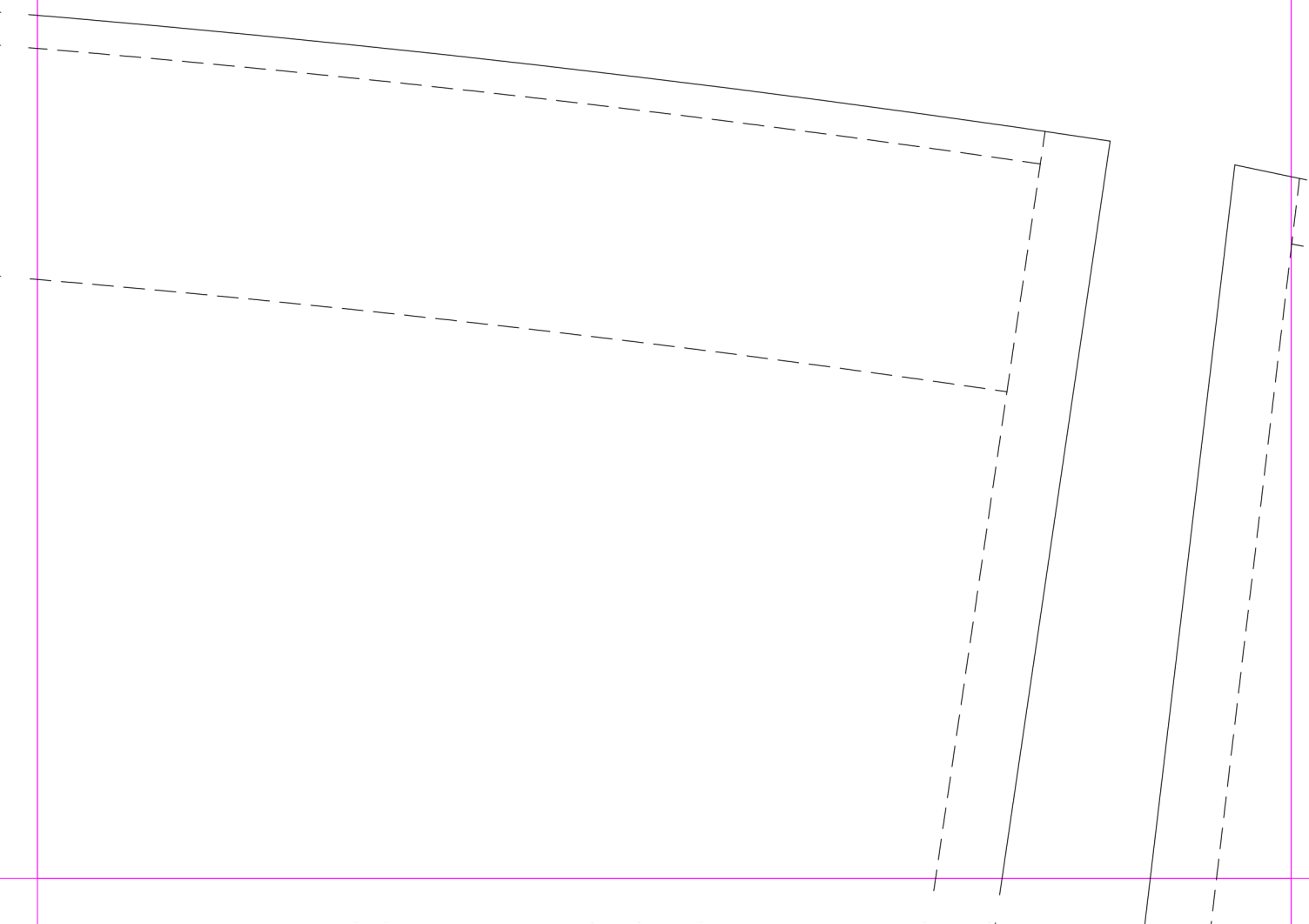
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Fold Line (Hem)

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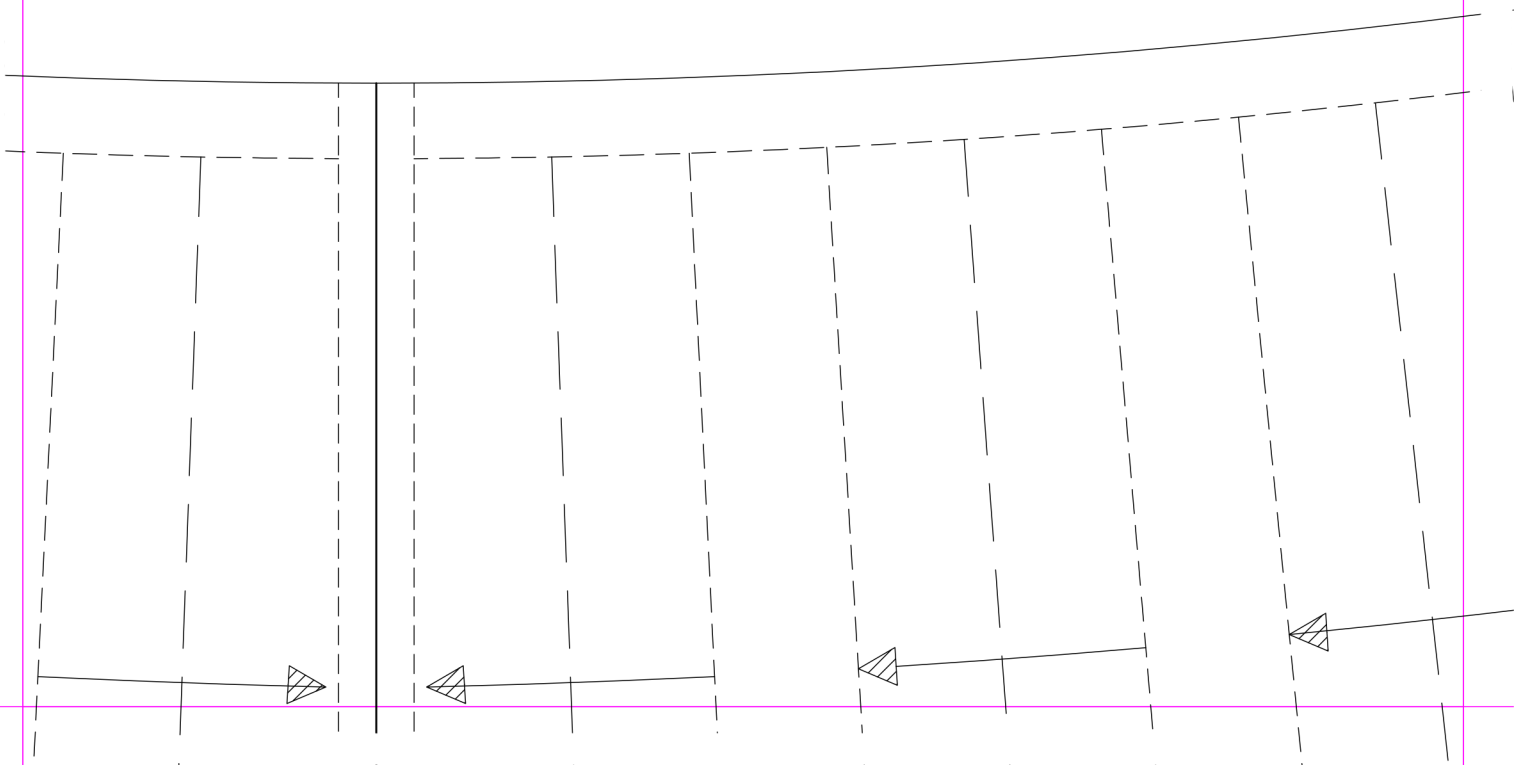


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Stitch Line

Foldline

Stitch Line

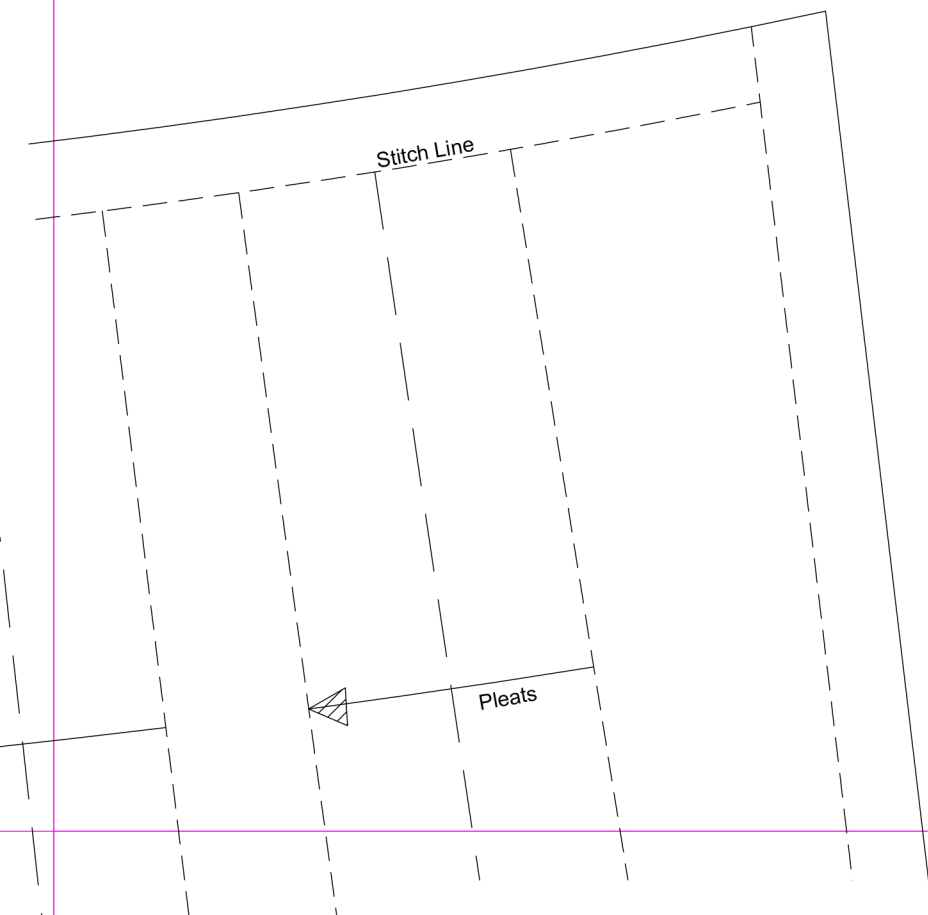


## Petticoat Waistband

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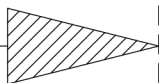


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