



bee-skirt  
pattern

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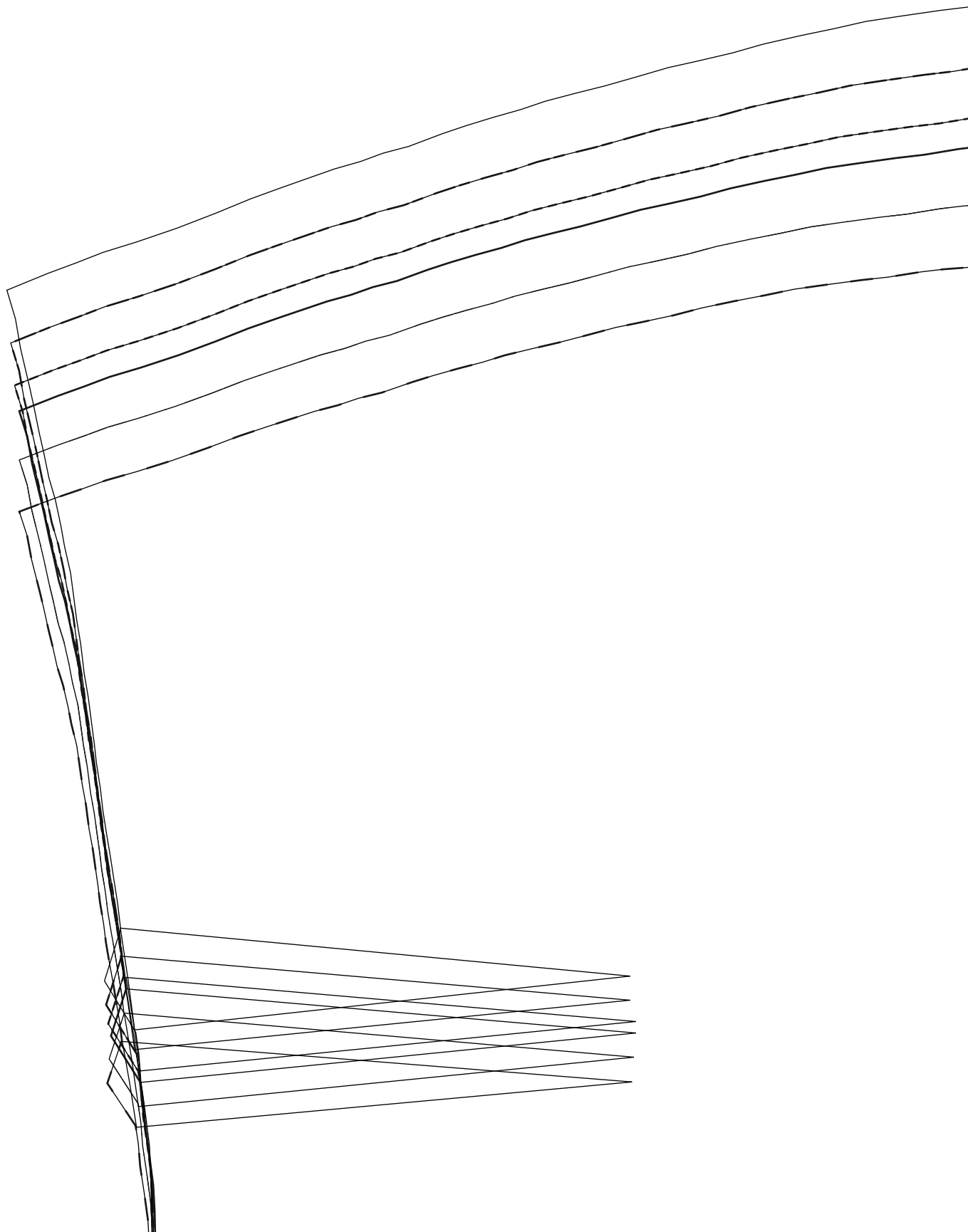
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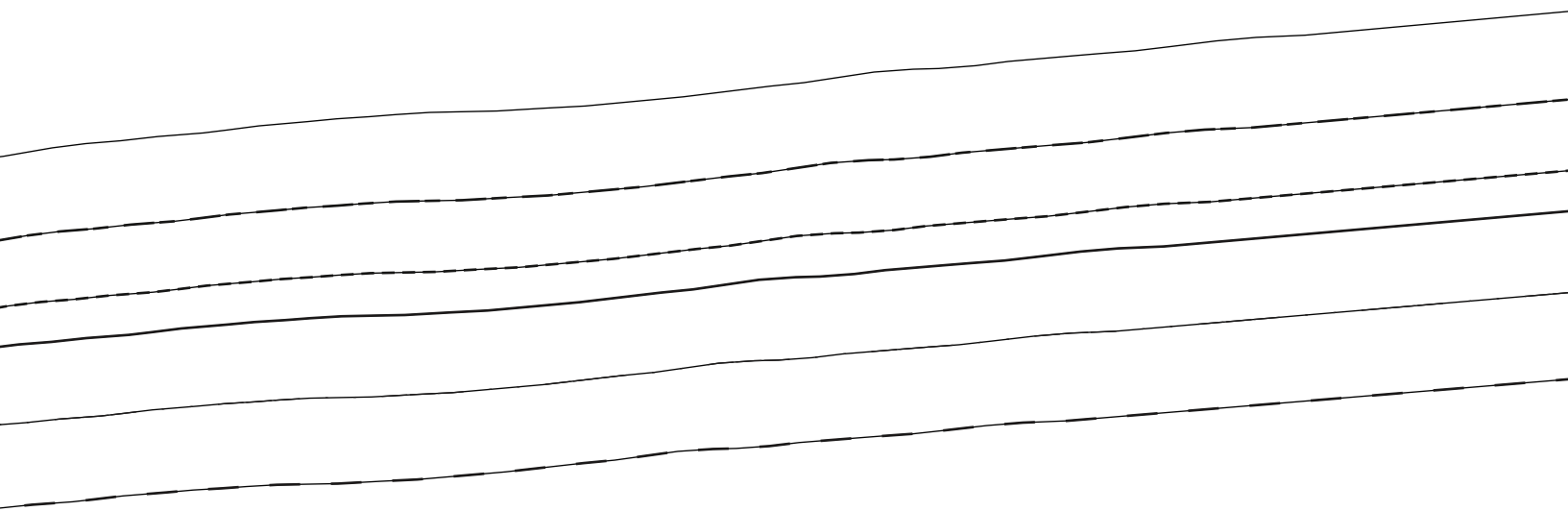


## time to make your skirt!

1. Print and lay out pattern pages. Pages should be assembled with edges butting up against one another, not overlapping—there may be a void or gap in lines where your printer did not ink all the way to the edge of the page, but this is not a problem, and all your pattern DID print properly. No information is lost if lines do not extend to the edge of the paper.
2. Tape all edges together. Cut out each pattern piece from the printer paper. Lay pattern pieces on your fabric, taking care to place each on the fold. Transfer all dart markings from the pattern to your fabric.
3. Make darts in skirt front and skirt back. Do this by folding the fabric in half, right sides together, until the two lines of the dart lie on top of one another. On the wrong side of the fabric, stitch along the line from the wider, outer end to the point, sewing along and then off the point when you reach it. Do NOT backstitch; instead, leave nice long tails and tie a knot when finished. Repeat with all darts.
4. Place skirt front and skirt back right sides together. Install invisible zipper on skirt left side (see a handy tutorial here: <http://www.clevernesting.com/2009/06/invisible-zipper-tutorial-from-whipstitch/>).
5. Finish off seam allowances as you choose—pink, overcast, or serge—and press seam open. Stitch opposite side seam, using a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance. Finish seam allowances and press seam open.
6. Using a length of  $\frac{3}{4}$ "-1" single-fold bias tape, place right sides together with skirt, having one side folded open and raw edges even. Bias tape should extend beyond edges of skirt opening by  $\frac{5}{8}$ ". Stitch in fold.
7. Turn bias tape to wrong side of skirt. Press upper edge. Fold short ends over to create a finished end. Stitch close to lower edge of bias tape, securing it to skirt, catching the short ends in place. Hand stitch to finish.
8. **FOR REVERSIBLE SKIRT:** Eliminate steps 6 & 7. Instead, repeat steps 2 & 3 with a coordinating fabric. Skip step 4, then follow step 5. At step 6, place both skirts right sides together and stitch a  $\frac{5}{8}$ " seam along entire upper edge of skirt, catching zipper tapes as you do. Turn lining to inside and press waistline edge. At the zipper tape, fold lining seam allowances to wrong side and hand-stitch lining to zipper tape on inside to secure.
9. Hem lower edge of skirt. Fold under  $\frac{1}{4}$ " at the raw edge, then press under another 1.25" to make a 1.5" hem. Stitch in place. (For reversible skirt, hem each skirt separately.)

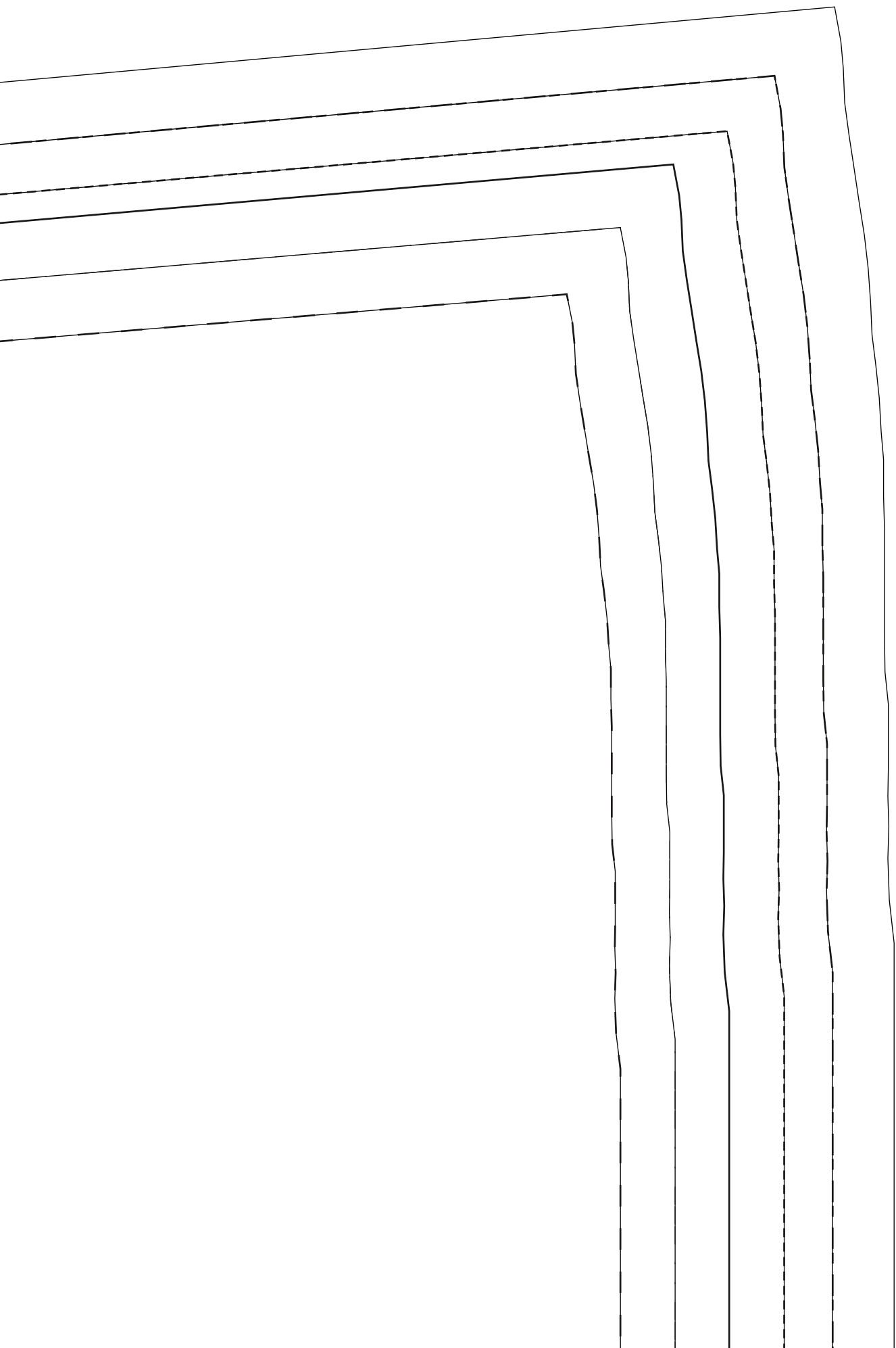
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	Waist	27"	29"	31"	32"	34"	36"
	Hip	34"	37"	39"	41"	43"	45"
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FINISHED GARMENT MEASUREMENTS		2/4	6/8	10/12	12/14	16/18	20/22
	Waist	28.5"	30.75"	33"	34"	36"	37"
	Hip	36"	38.5"	40.5"	41.5"	44"	45"

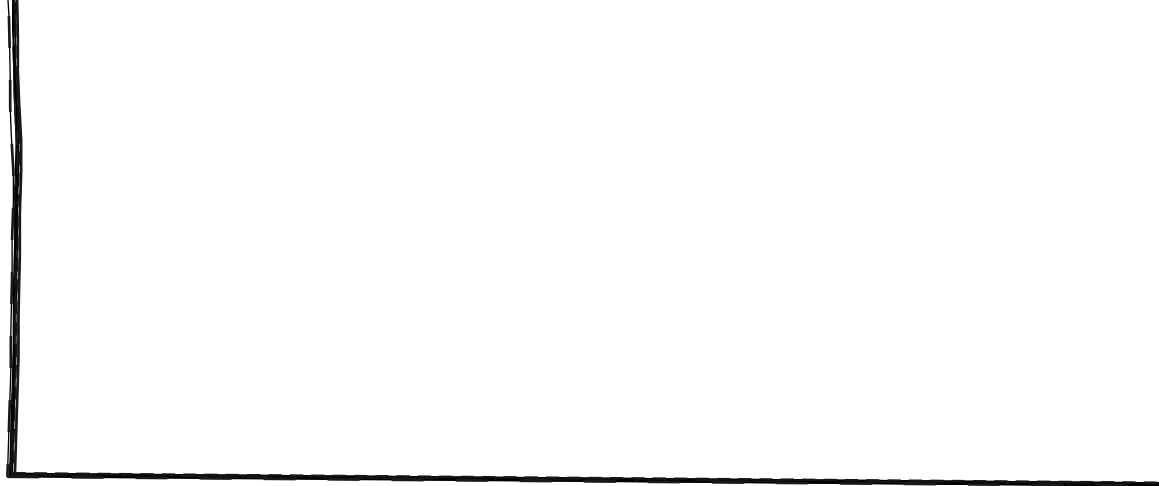




skirt front

cut 1 of fabric



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cut on fold

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cut on fold

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skirt back

cut 1 of fabric

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