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PATTERN 254

Baby Elise

Advanced Beginner

NB-24M

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How To use This pattern

This is an interactive pattern featuring hyperlinks. You can click on many things throughout this pattern to take you to that particular website or to a different page in the pattern, all with one click.

See a step that says "skip to step X" - go ahead and click that sentence and it will direct you to the next step for the option you are doing

You will also see a side bar on the left hand side, these are also interactive. Click the tab that you want to go to and it will take you to that page.

Want to learn more on how to use this pattern? Check out our blog post and youTube video (just click this sentence).

Info

Tips

- Use the lengthen/shorten line to add or remove length.
- Serge or zig zag stitch your seams. This will prevent the fabric from fraying.
- Topstich using a slightly longer stitch length (3.0) for a professional look.
- To sew a gathering stitch, lengthen your stitch to the longest length. Raise your tension to the highest setting. Sew 1/4" down from the raw edge. Most machines will automatically gather your fabric using this method. Using a full bobbin helps with a tighter gather.

SEWING WITH KNITS:

- Always cut your pieces out with the stretch going widthwise.
- Use good quality knits. Slinky, thin, warped knits are not ideal and will cause fit issues. I prefer a swim knit made of nylon spandex, polyester nylon. It is best to use fabric with at least 50-60% stretch. Swim wear lining should be made of nylon spandex with at least 50-60% stretch. To determine the amount of stretch, take 4" of knit and stretch until you feel resistance.
- Always prewash your knits. Knit fabrics shrink a lot. If you do not prewash, the sizing will be way off after the garment is laundered.
- Sew your knits using a ballpoint needle. This will prevent tearing of your fabric.
- Use a stretch stitch on all seams that require stretch

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Pattern Info

Notes

- All seam allowances are 3/8" unless otherwise noted.
- All measurements are in inches.
- Fabric recommendations: 4 way swim knit, performance knits, dance wear knits.
- When sharing your creations on social media, be sure to tag us @SimpleLifePatterns and use our official hashtags:

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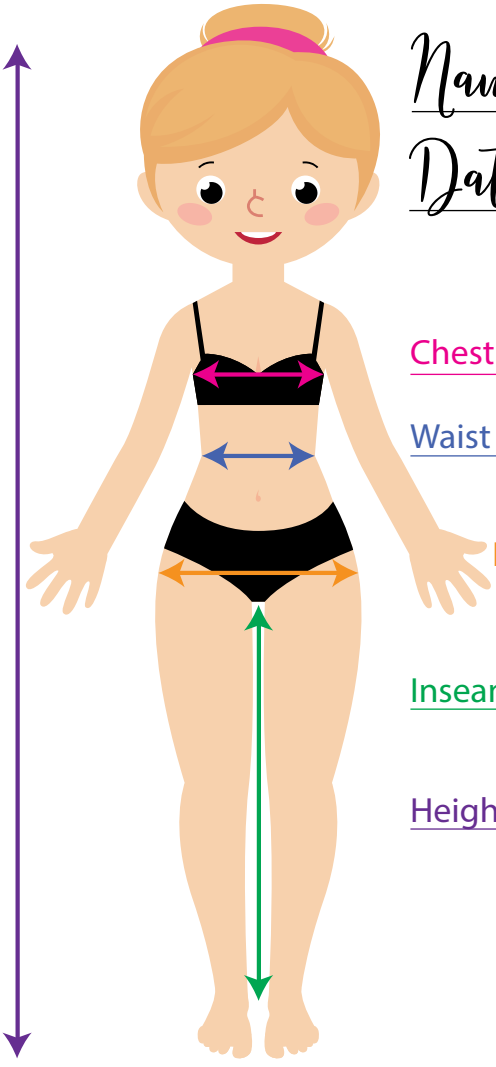

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Height _____

Print

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Printing Tips

- This pattern features layers. You can choose the size(s) you want to print.
- In the LAYERS panel in adobe reader, you will see 2 files. One for the tutorial and the other for the pattern pieces. In the tutorial file you can turn a layer off ("save ink- don't print") if you plan on printing the whole tutorial to save ink (no need to print all the design/ interactive aspects of the pattern). The other file is the pattern pieces. Click the eye icon to toggle the layers and sizes you want on/off.
- Patterns that have more than 4 pages of pattern pieces will include an A0 file. You can print this at most copy shops. The A0 file also features layers.
- You do not need to print the entire pattern. You can print the pattern pieces and follow the tutorial on your device.
- Be sure your scaling is set to "none" or 100%. Be sure the auto rotate is ticked.
- After you print, tape your pieces together. Match up the lines and circles. Pages will overlap exactly 1". The circles will be 1" as well.

Click here for a more detailed tutorial on how to print layers.

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Print Guides

Page numbers to print

	Front	Back	Gusset	Flounce	Circle Skirt
NB	19-21	22-24	26	25-26	27
0-3	19-21	22-24	26	25-26	27
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9-12	19-21	22-24	26	22, 25-26	27
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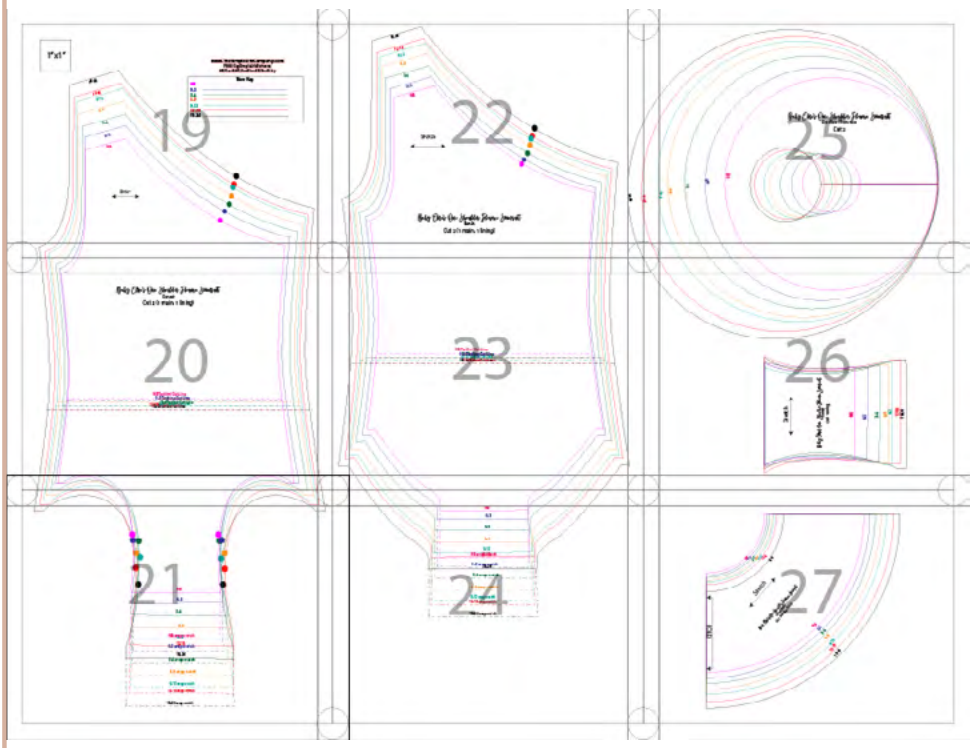

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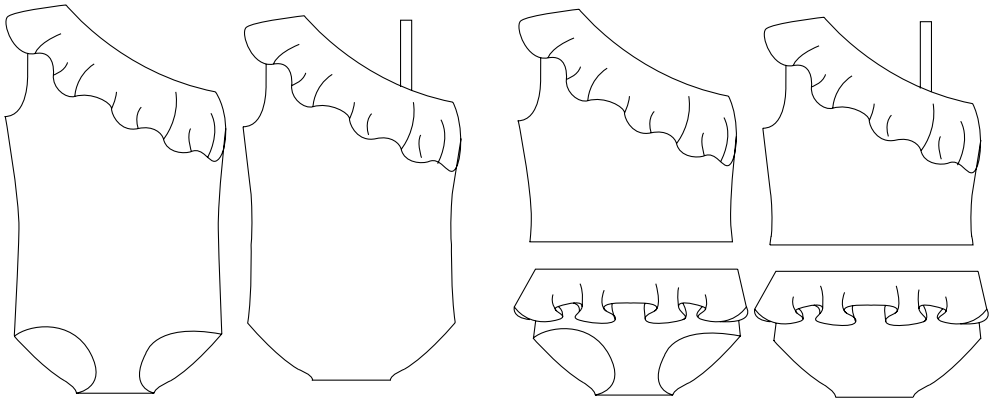

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Sizing

Baby Elise's One Shoulder Flounce Swimsuit

All measurements are in inches.

	NB	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	12-18	18-24
Chest	12	14	16	17	18	19	20
Weight	5-8 lbs	8-12 lbs	12-16 lbs	16-20 lbs	20-24 lbs	24-26 lbs	26-39 lbs
Hips	14	16	17.5	18.5	19	19.5	20.25
Height	18-21	21-24	24-26	26-28	28-30	30-32	32-34
Trunk	18.5	21.5	24	26.25	28	29	31

*To get trunk measurements: Measure from the center shoulder down the front, between the legs and up the back to your starting point.

finished length

Top shoulder to crotch

	NB	0-3	3-6	6-9	9-12	12-18	18-24
Swimsuit	14.5	15	15.75	16.5	17.5	17.75	18.5

fabric requirements

	Front & Back	Lining Front & Back	Flounce	Circle Skirt	Optional Strap	3/8" Swim Elastic
NB	3/8	3/8	1/4	1/4	1/8	3
0-3	3/8	3/8	1/4	1/4	1/8	3
3-6	1/2	1/2	1/4	1/4	1/8	3
6-9	1/2	1/2	1/4	1/4	1/8	3
9-12	1/2	1/2	1/4	1/4	1/8	3
12-18	1/2	1/2	1/4	1/4	1/8	3
18-24	1/2	1/2	1/4	1/4	1/8	3

materials

- Swim Knit and lining
- Frixion pen
- 3/8" Swim Elastic
- Wonder Clips
- Double sided fusible web (such as heat n bond)

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Cutting Chart

Baby Elise's One Shoulder Flounce Swimsuit

All measurements are in inches.

	Neckline Elastic (Cut 1)	Leg Elastic (Cut 2)	Arm Elastic (Cut 1)	Waist Elastic (Cut 1)	Strap Elastic (Cut 1)	Strap (Cut 1 LxW)
NB	11.5	7.75	7.75	12.75	4.75	1.75 x 4.75
0-3	12	8.5	8	13.5	5.25	1.75 x 5..25
3-6	12.5	9	8.5	14	5.5	1.75 x 5.5
6-9	13	9.5	9	14.5	6	1.75 x 6
9-12	13.5	10	9.25	15.25	6.25	1.75 x 6.25
12-18	14	10	9.5	15.5	6.5	1.75 x 6.5
18-24	14.25	10.5	10	15.75	6.75	1.75 x 6.75

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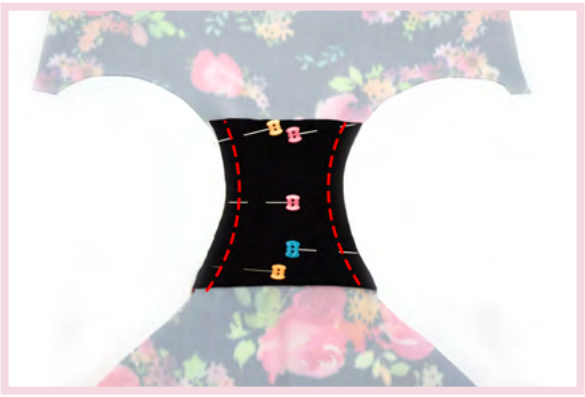
Partially Lined, continue below
Fully Lined, Skip to Step 5.
Snap Crotch, Skip to Step 6.

Step 1

Lay your back main piece on top of your front main piece, right sides together. Take your gusset lining, wrong side facing up and match the raw edges at the crotch. Stitch in place, making sure you get all three layers.



Step 2

Baste your gusset lining to the front main piece, making sure to cover the crotch seam.

Two piece, skip to step 4.

Step 3

Lay your back main on top of your front main, right sides together. Match up the side seams and shoulder, clip/pin as you go. Sew/serge in place.

One piece, skip to step 9.

Step 4

Lay your front main on top of your back main, right sides together. Match up the side seams and shoulder, clip/pin as you go. Sew/serge in place. Repeat this step for the bottoms as well.

Partially Lined, skip to step 9.

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Step 5

Lay your front main piece on top of your back main piece, right sides together, matching the raw edges at the crotch. Stitch in place. Repeat for lining.

NOTE: It can be helpful to use a fusible adhesive or a small amount of fabric glue on the seams to prevent the fabric from slipping while you sew.

Step 6

Lay your front main on top of your back main, right sides together. Match up the shoulder and side seams, clip/pin as you go. Sew across the shoulder seam and down the side seam opposite of the shoulder side. Repeat this step for the lining.

Step 7

With wrong sides together, slip your lining fabric inside of your main fabric.

Step 8

Matching seams together, align raw edges of your main fabric and lining fabric, pinning as you go. Baste around the neckline.

Flounce: continue below

Simple Bodice: skip to step 11.

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Step 9

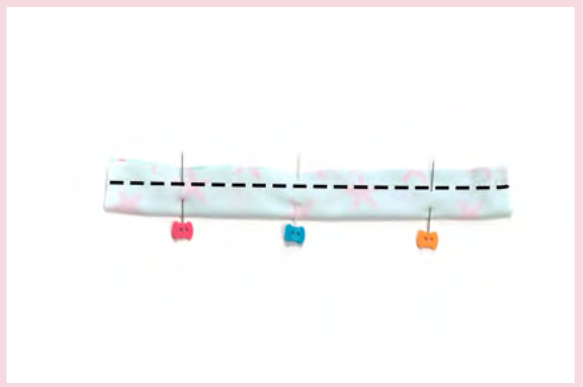
Lay one flounce piece on top of the other, right sides together. Sew/serge the seams.

Step 10

Place your flounce piece along the neckline, matching the seams of your flounce with the shoulder seam and side seam. Pin in place. Baste in place.

Optional Strap: continue below

One Shoulder: skip to step 17.



Step 11

Take your strap piece and fold in half, right sides together. Sew down the raw edge, 1/4" from the edge.

Step 12

Attach a safety pin to one end of your strap and turn the strap right side out.

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Step 13

Attach a safety pin to one end of your elastic and feed the elastic through the strap. Topstitch the elastic in place using a 1/8" seam allowance along both sides.

NOTE: Before attaching the strap, I recommend trying the suit on to be sure the strap is the correct length your child needs.

Step 14

Using your pattern pieces, mark your strap placement on the front and back main bodice pieces.

Step 15

Take your strap piece and center it along your mark. Baste in place.

Step 16

Take the other side of your strap piece, being sure it does not twist, and fold it under the bottom of your bodice to the back side. Center the strap on your mark and pin in place. Baste the strap in place.

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Step 17

Take your neckline elastic piece and overlap the edges by 1/2". Stitch together with few zig-zag stitches.

Step 18

Working from the wrong side of your fabric, place your elastic on the inside of your neckline, pinning as you go. The overlapped section should be at your shoulder seam. Using a serger or wide zig-zag stitch, attach your elastic, making sure to stretch the elastic as you go, not the swim fabric.

Step 19

Fold your neckline to the inside of your suit 3/8". Sew in place with a zig-zag stitch.

Step 20

Take your arm hole elastic piece and overlap the edges by 1/2". Stitch together with few zig-zag stitches.

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Step 21

Fold the arm hole elastic in half and mark with a pin. Using the shoulder seam on your suit, fold the arm hole in half and mark with a pin. Place the overlapped elastic on your shoulder seam and pin. Align the pins you used to mark the elastic and lining and pin in place. Stretch elastic slightly as you sew in place.

Step 22

Fold your arm hole to the inside of your suit 3/8". Sew in place with a zig-zag stitch.

Snap Crotch: Skip to Step 26.

Step 23

Take your leg hole elastic piece and overlap the edges by 1/2". Stitch together with few zig-zag stitches. Repeat with the other elastic piece.

Step 24

Starting at your side seam and ending at the elastic leg marking, pin your elastic to the front of your lining, without stretching. Begin sewing, as you sew the elastic in place begin stretching the elastic slightly towards the backside. This will make sure there is no gaping at the bottom. Repeat for the other leg hole.

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Step 25

Fold your leg hole to the inside of your suit 3/8". Sew in place with a zig-zag stitch. Repeat for the other leg hole.

One Piece: You Are Done.

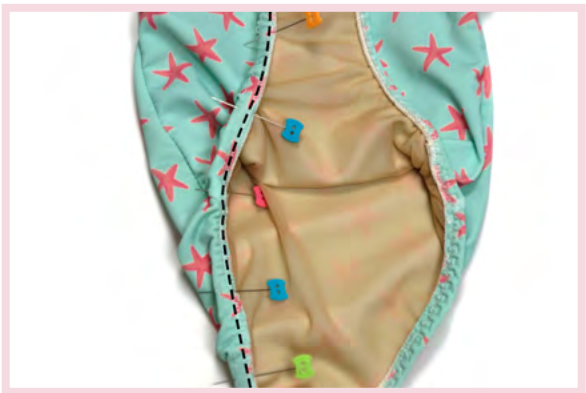
Circle Skirt: Skip to Step 31.

Step 26

Matching seams together, align raw edges of your main fabric and lining fabric, pinning as you go. Baste around the leg hole. Repeat with the other leg.

Step 27

Starting at the front measure 2" from the raw edge and pin the edge of the elastic to the front of your lining. Without stretching, continue to pin the elastic until you reach the leg marking. Begin sewing, as you sew the elastic in place begin stretching the elastic slightly towards the backside. This will make sure there is no gaping at the bottom. Repeat for the other leg hole.



Step 28

Fold your leg hole to the inside of your suit 3/8". Sew in place with a zig-zag stitch. Repeat for the other leg hole.

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Step 29
Finish the raw edge of the crotch with a serger or zigzag stitch. Fold to the inside of your suit 1". Sew in place with a stretch stitch. Repeat with the back.

Step 30
Attach your kam snaps to the folded front crotch and folded back crotch per the packaging instructiuons.

One Piece: You Are Done.

Circle Skirt: continue below.

Step 31
Aligning the raw edges, pin the circle skirt around the waist of the suit. Baste your skirt to the waist, right sides facing up, using a large zigzag stitch.

Step 32
Take your waistband elastic piece and overlap the edges by 1/2". Stitch together with a few zig-zag stitches.

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Step 33

Place your elastic on the inside of your waist, pinning as you go. The overlapped section should be at the center back of the suit. Using a serger or wide zig-zag stitch, attach your elastic.

Step 34

Fold the waist to the inside of your suit 3/8". Sew in place with a zig-zag stitch.

Step 35

Finish the bottom of your tankini top with your serger. Fold up the hem 1/2" and topstitch 3/8" away from the finished edge.

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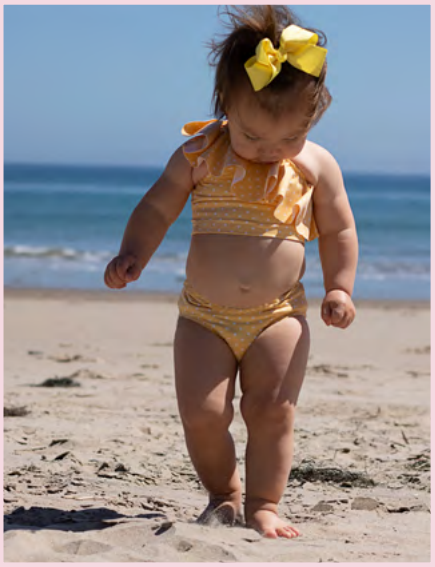

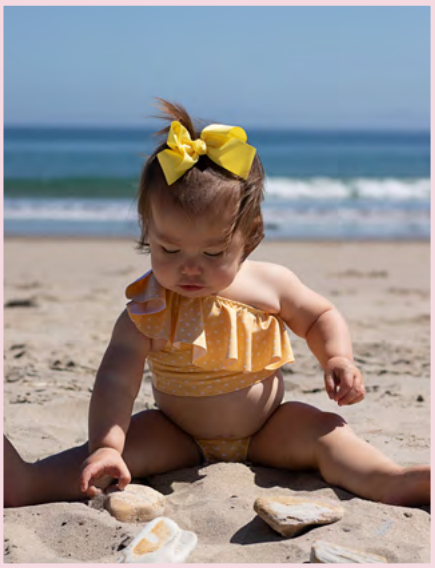

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1"x1"

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Size Key

- NB
- 0-3
- 3-6
- 6-9
- 9-12
- 12-18
- 18-24

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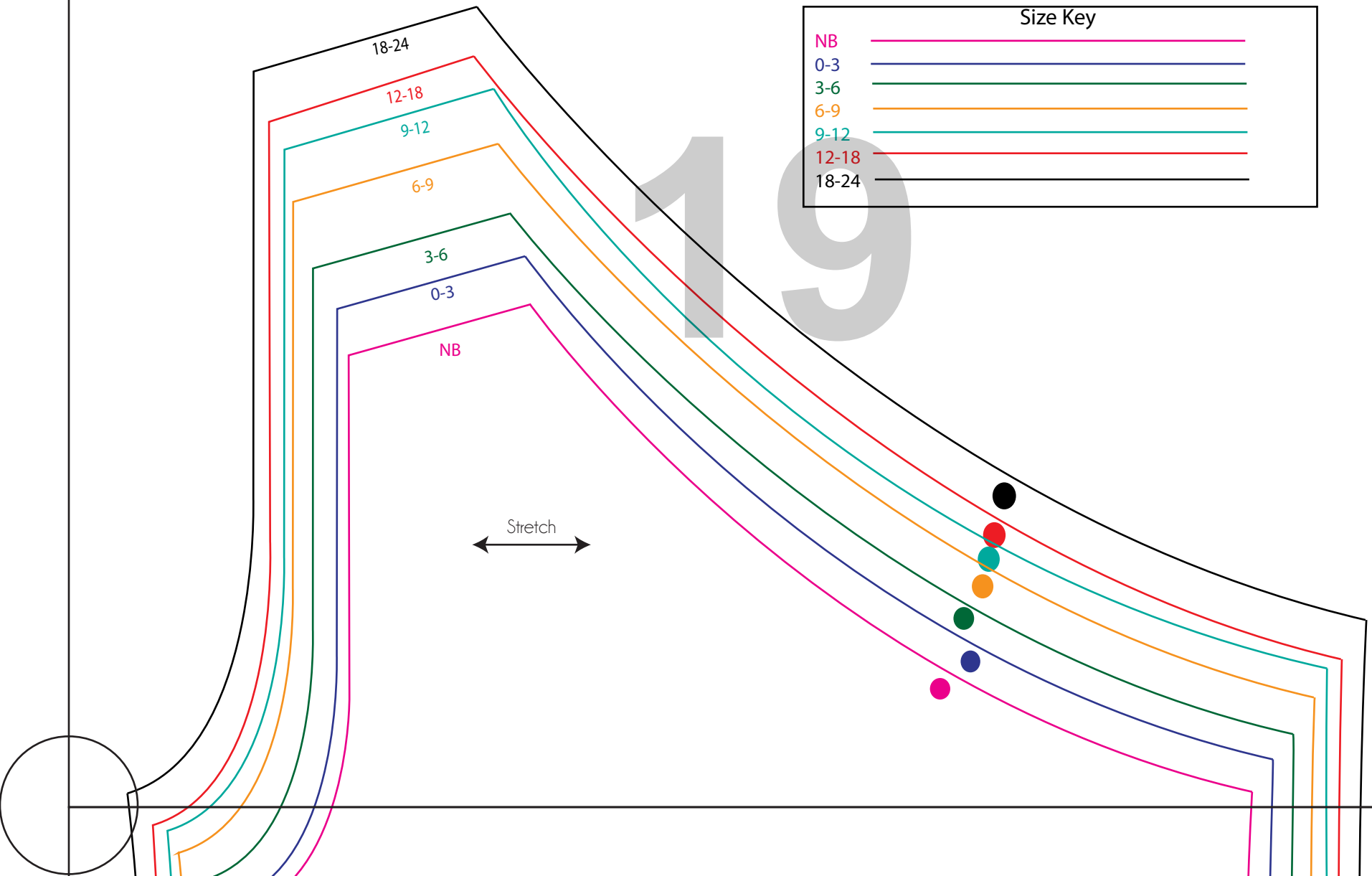

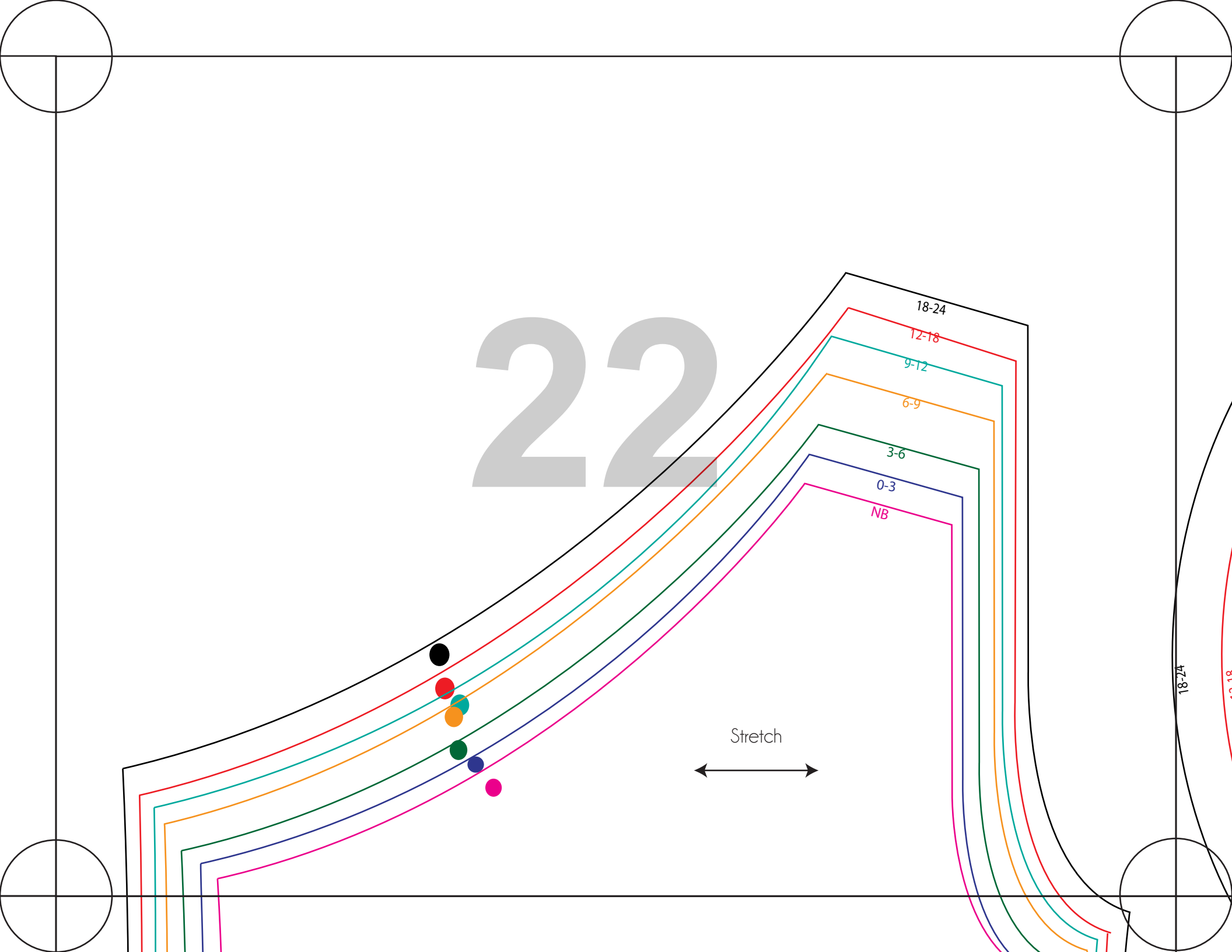
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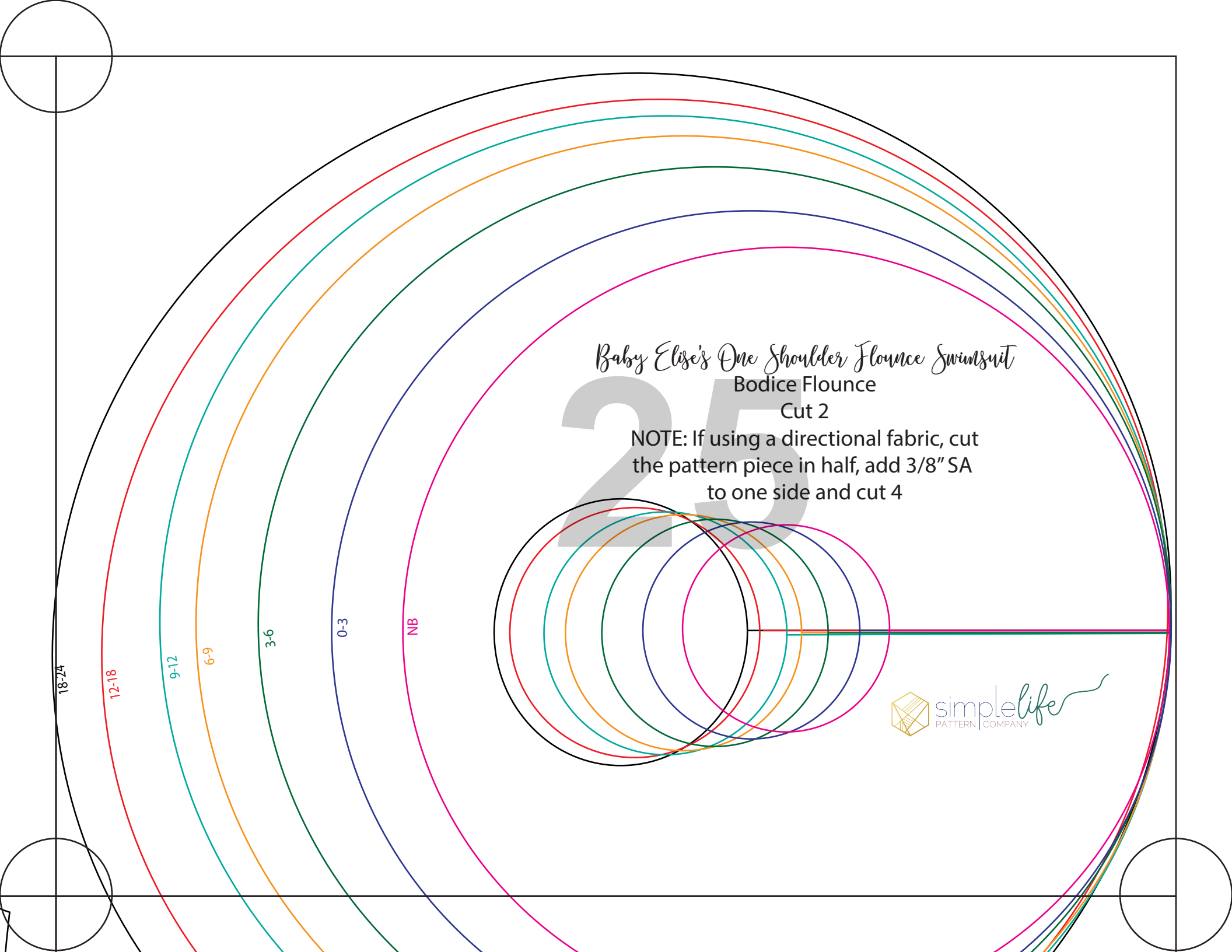
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Front

Fully Lined: Cut 2 (1 main, 1 lining)

Partially Lined: Cut 1 main

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NB Tankini Cut Line

0-3 Tankini Cut Line

3-6 Tankini Cut Line

9-12 Tankini Cut Line

12-18 Tankini Cut Line

18-24 Tankini Cut Line

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6-9	13	9.5	9	14.5	6	1.75 x 6
9-12	13.5	10	9.25	15.25	6.25	1.75 x 6.25
12-18	14	10	9.5	15.5	6.5	1.75 x 6.5
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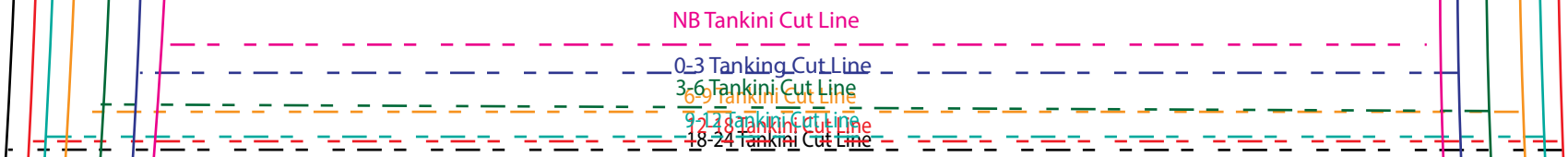

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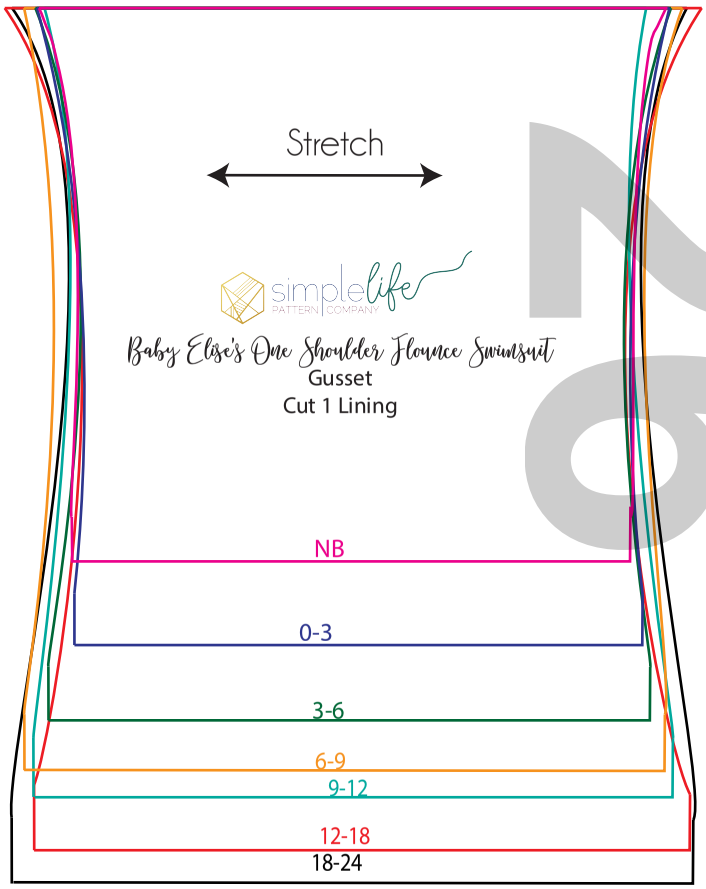
Back

Fully Lined: Cut 2 (1 main, 1 lining)

Partial Lined: Cut 1 main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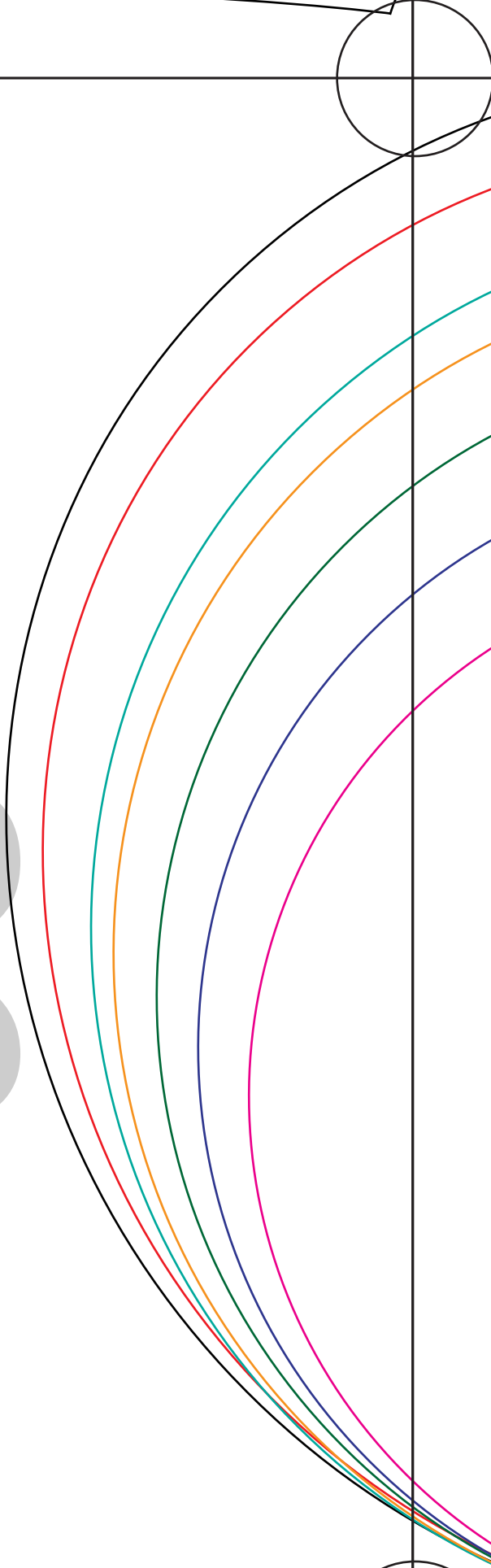

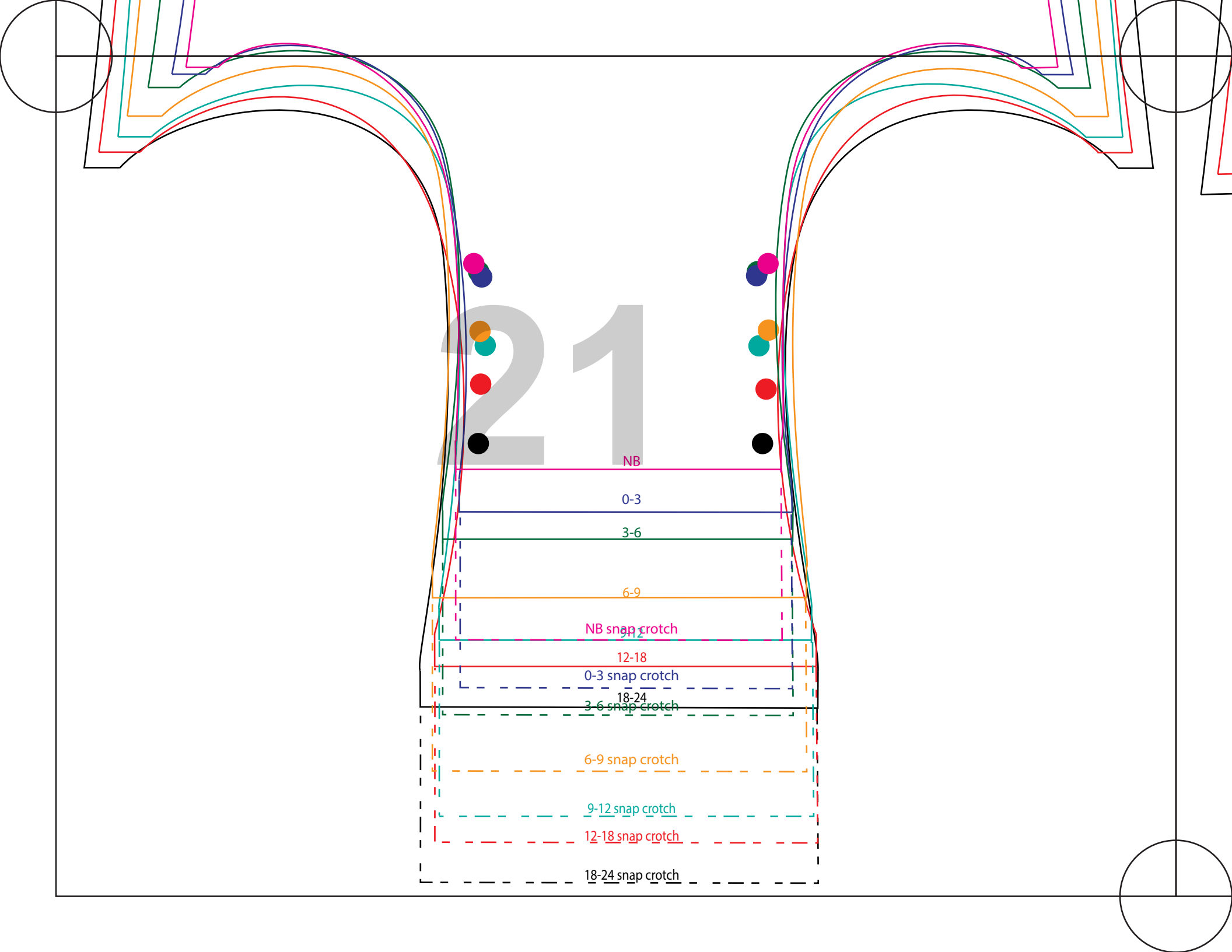
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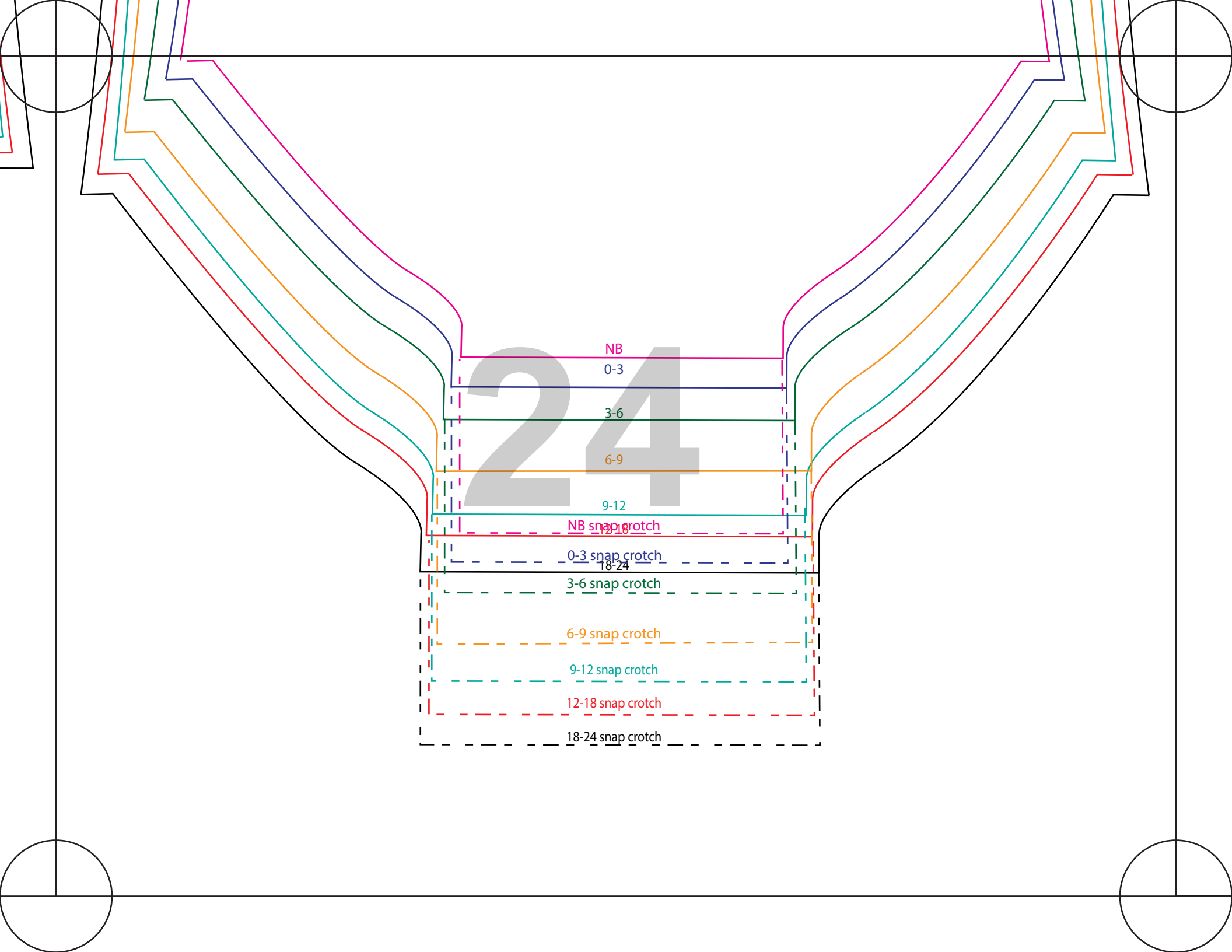
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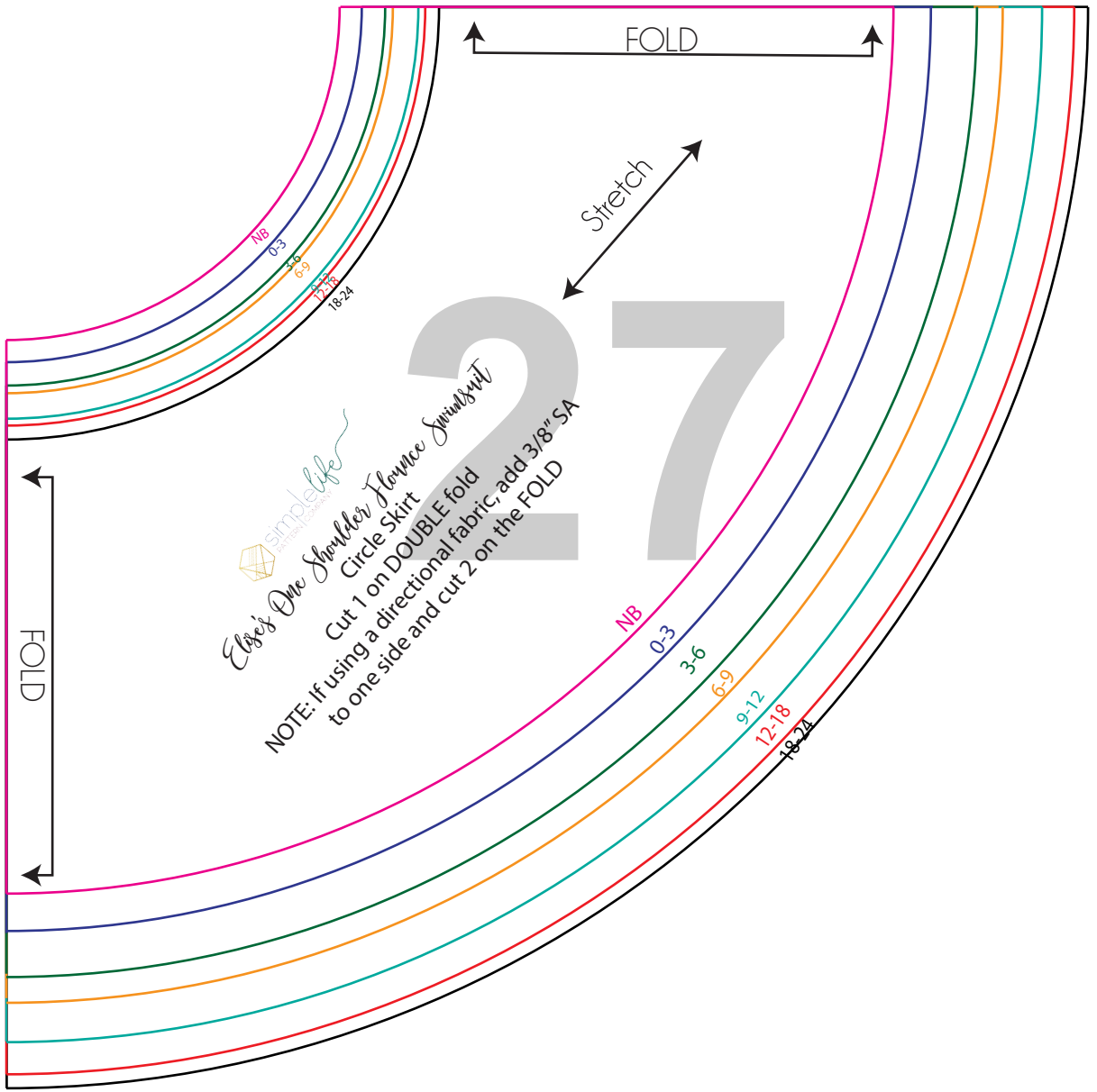
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Circle Skirt
Cut 1 on DOUBLE fold
NOTE: If using a directional fabric, add 3/8" SA
to one side and cut 2 on the FOLD
FOLD