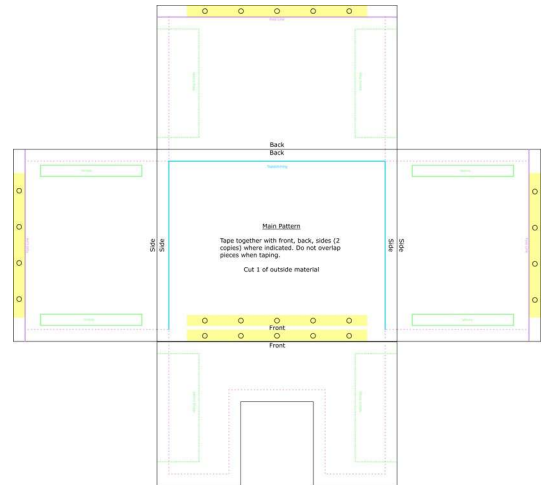


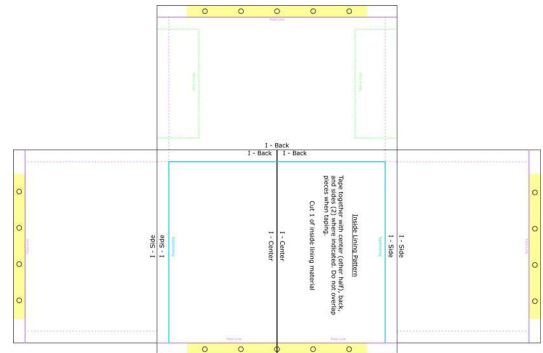
Guinea Pig House Pattern

Assemble pattern pieces, which will print on the following pages, in the listed order:

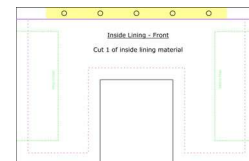
1. MAIN PATTERN: Print, cut out, and tape together (without overlapping) pieces for main (outside material) pattern:
 - a. Center
 - b. Front
 - c. Back
 - d. Sides (2)



2. INSIDE LINING PATTERN: Print, cut out, and tape together (without overlapping) pieces for inside (lining material) pattern:
 - a. Center (2 halves)
 - b. Back
 - c. Sides (2)



3. INSIDE LINING – FRONT: Print and cut out



4. VELCRO FLAP: Print and cut out



Guinea Pig House Directions

Get material and supplies

1. Material for outside of house – should be a strong/heavy material for durability (use pattern pieces to determine amount needed)
2. Material for inside lining of house – nice, soft material, such as fleece works well (use pattern pieces to determine amount needed)
3. Cotton lining material for backside of flaps (need 4 pieces the size of VELCRO FLAP)
4. Snap tape (23 snaps, spaced 1½ inches apart), cut into 3 sets of 5 snaps each and 2 sets of 4 snaps each
5. Sew-on Velcro strips (17 inches total), cut into four 4¼ inch pieces
6. Plexiglas and special Plexiglas cutting tool (*Note: Plexiglas may also be called Lucite.*)

Cut material

7. Outside material
 - a. Cut 1 of MAIN PATTERN
 - b. Cut 4 of VELCRO FLAP
8. Inside/lining material:
 - a. Cut 1 of INSIDE LINING PATTERN
 - b. Cut 1 of INSIDE LINING – FRONT
9. Lightweight cotton material:
 - a. Cut 4 of VELCRO FLAP

Key to color coding on pattern pieces:

<u>Key</u>	
.....	1/2 inch seams
○ ○	snap tape
—	fold line for finished edges
—	topstitching
.....	placement of flaps
—	placement of velcro strips

Guinea Pig House Directions (continued)

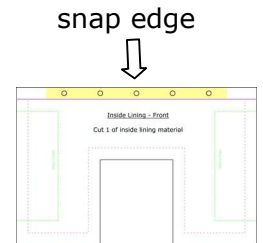
Sew

* Please note that all seams are 1/2" seams

10. Prepare the four Velcro flaps. For each flap:

- Pin outside material to cotton material with right sides together.
- Sew on three sides, as shown on pattern.
- Trim seams and turn out.
- Sew hook-side (rough side) Velcro strip on cotton side, where indicated. Sew through both layers.

11. Fold snap edges under at fold line (1/2") and sew together. *Note: "Snap edges" refer to any snap areas located on the edge of the pattern. There are 8 such areas (3 on MAIN PATTERN, 4 on INSIDE LINING PATTERN, and 1 on INSIDE LINING - FRONT).*



12. Securely sew four loop-side (soft side) Velcro strips on outside material, where indicated on MAIN PATTERN.

13. Pin 3 main house pieces together with right sides together and flaps inserted where indicated. Sew where seams (pink dots) are indicated on patterns (NOT snap edges); then trim seams. *Note: To make sure everything is correct so far, you might want to turn it out to check, but before continuing, return it to inside out.*

14. Attach snap tape where indicated, making sure that each edge will snap together with its matching edge. Take care not to accidentally sew flaps into seams. Sew; then turn out.

15. Top-stitch on outside material, where indicated (this is necessary to create compartments for the Plexiglas inserts).

16. Cut Plexiglas to fit the five compartments: top, front, back, and 2 sides. I find it helpful to make cardboard samples to fit and then cut the Plexiglas to the size of each piece of cardboard. Otherwise it is too hard to make slight changes to the Plexiglas, once it's cut.

Insert pig and enjoy!

Back

Topstitching

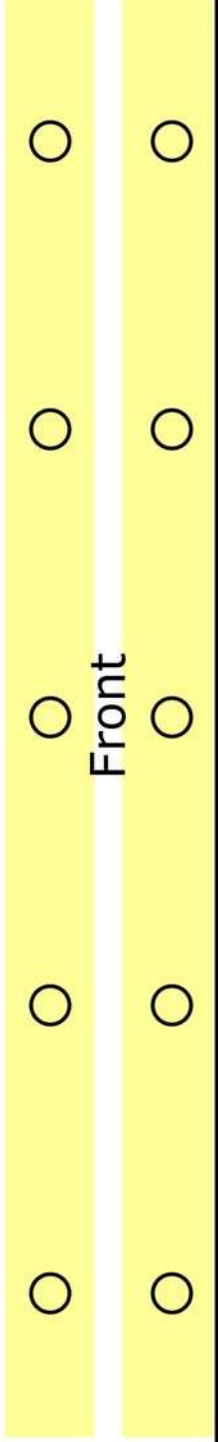
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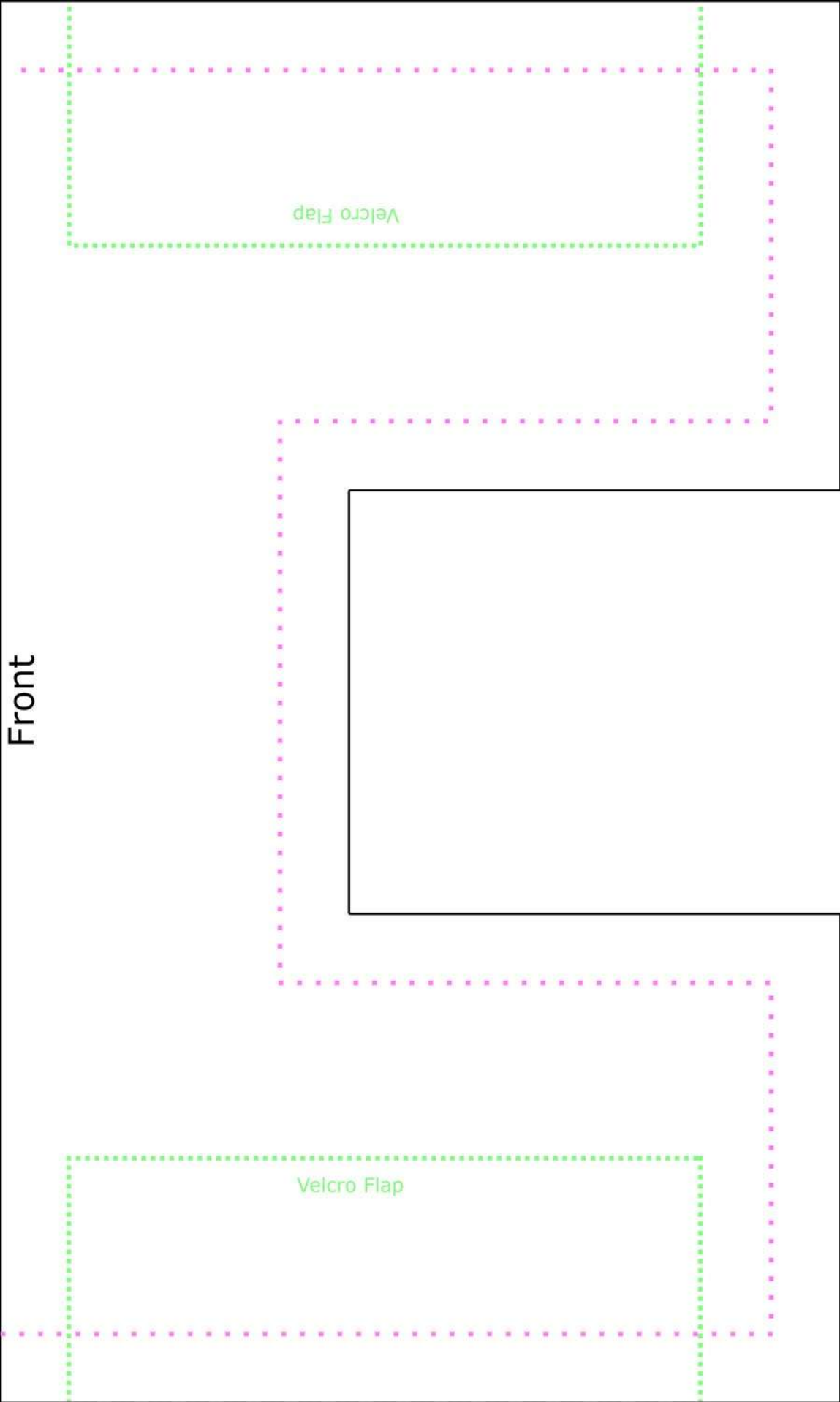
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Main Pattern

Tape together with front, back, and sides (2) where indicated. Do not overlap pieces when taping.

Cut 1 of outside material

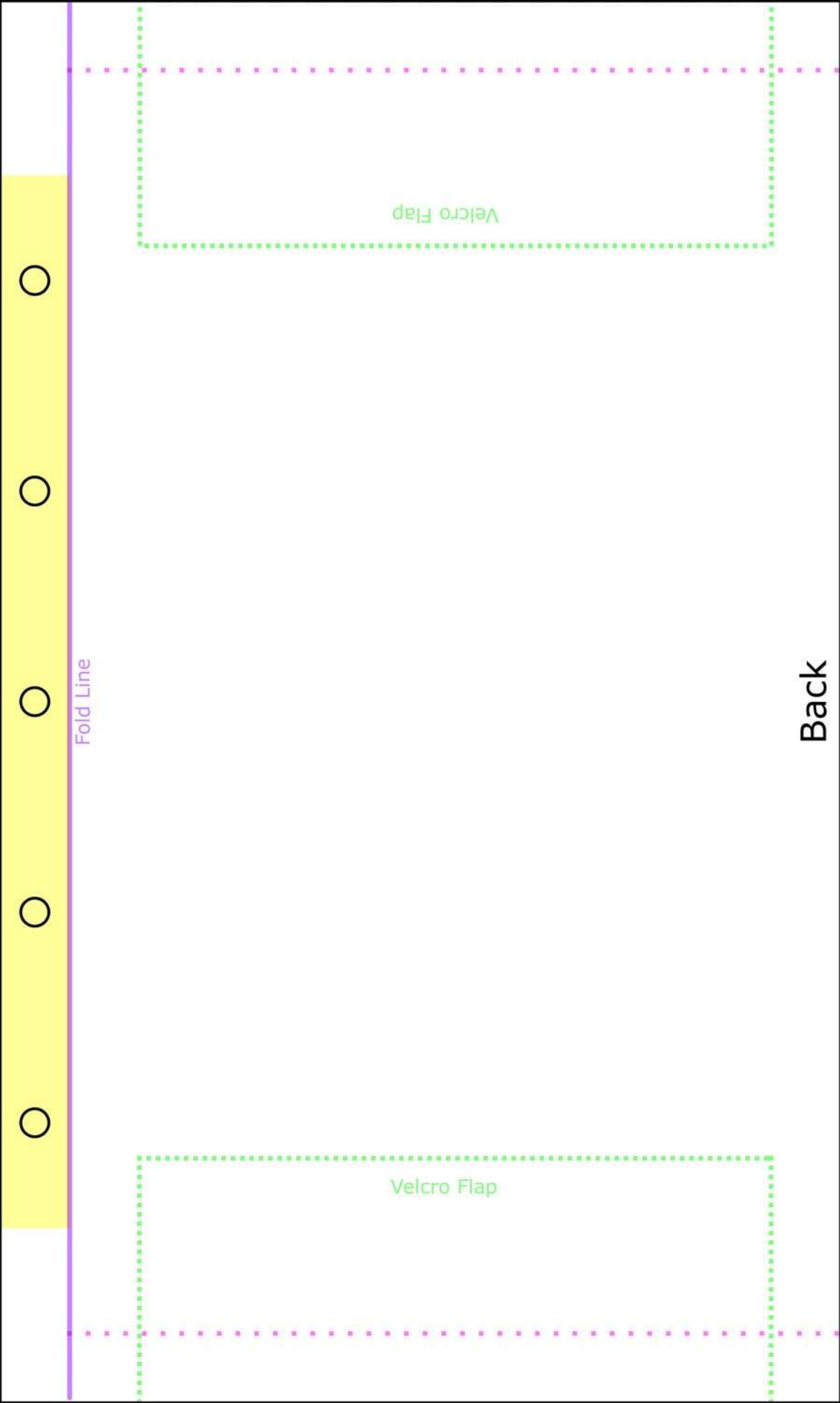




Front

Velcro Flap

Velcro Flap





Fold Line

Velcro

Velcro

Side

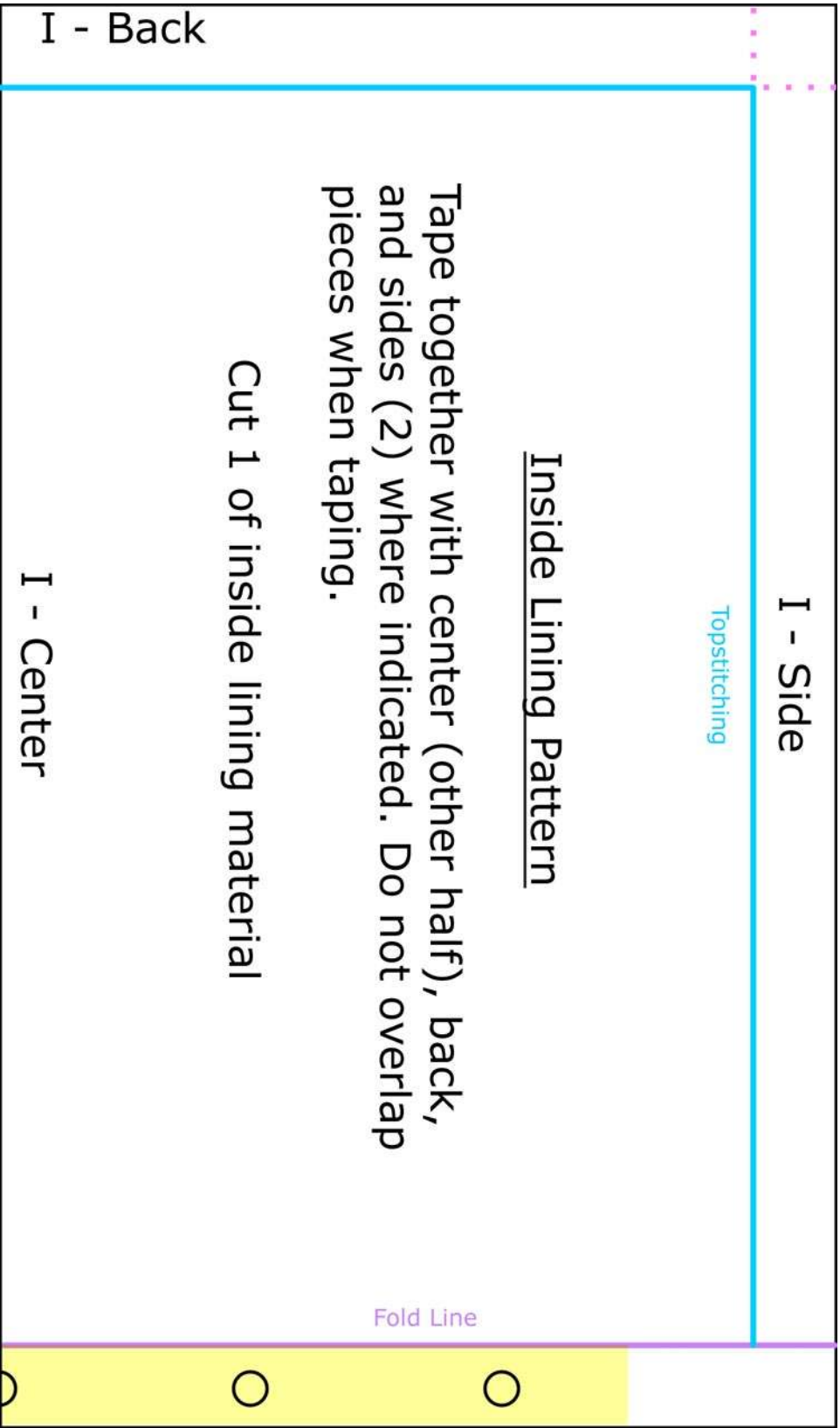


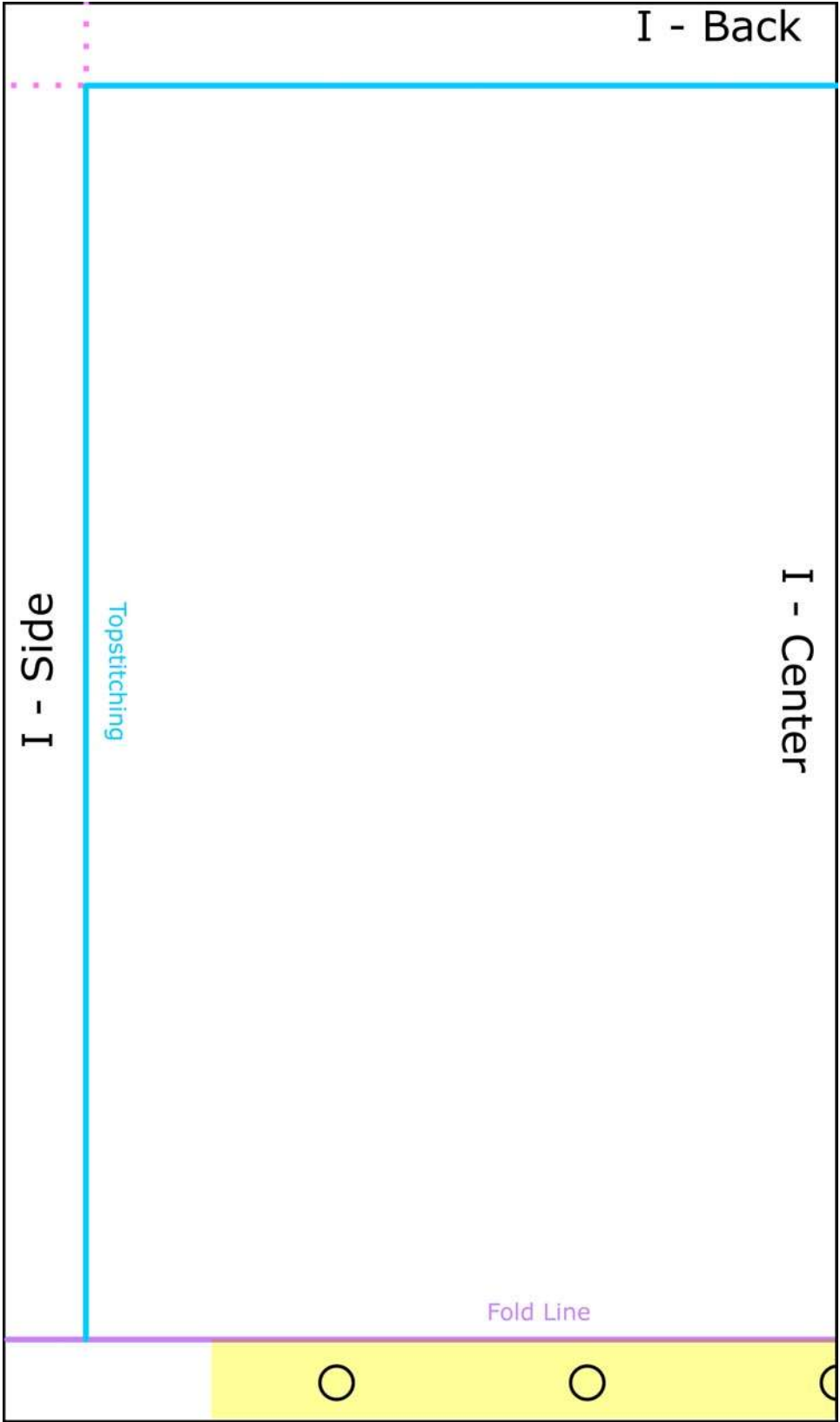
Fold Line

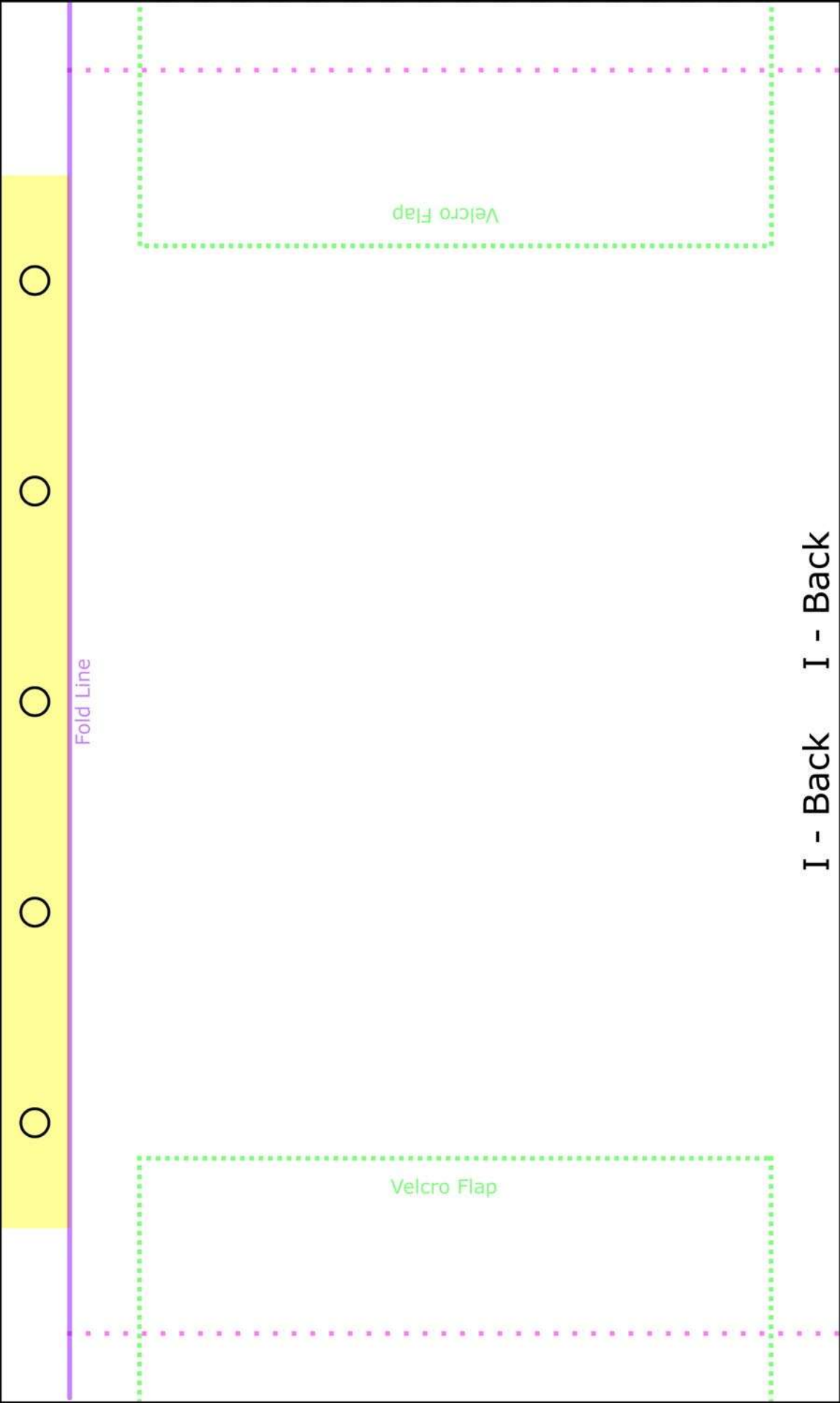
Velcro

Velcro

Side









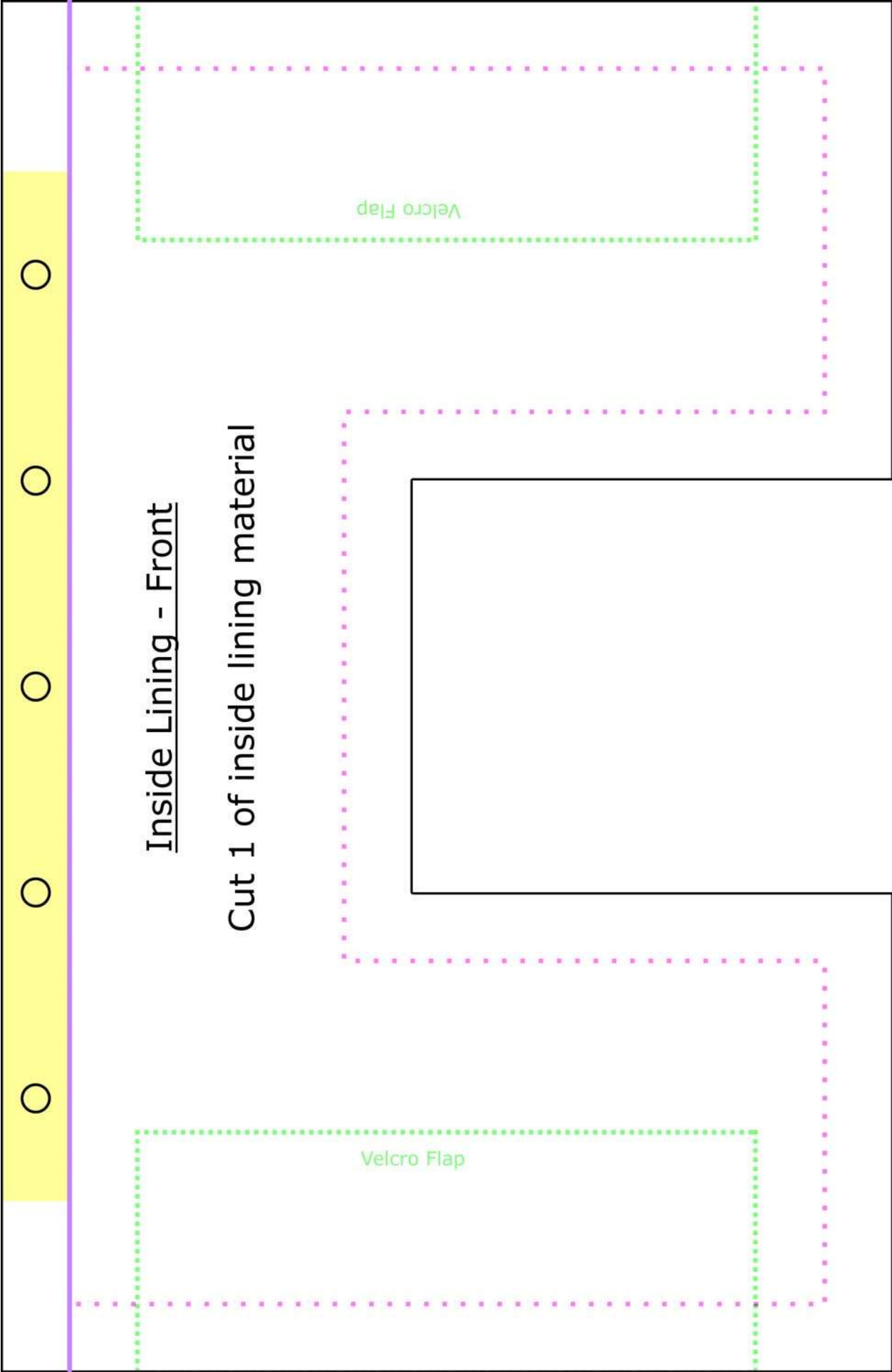
Fold Line

I - Side



Fold Line

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Velcro Flap

Cut 4 of outside material.

Cut 4 of thin cotton material.



Velcro