

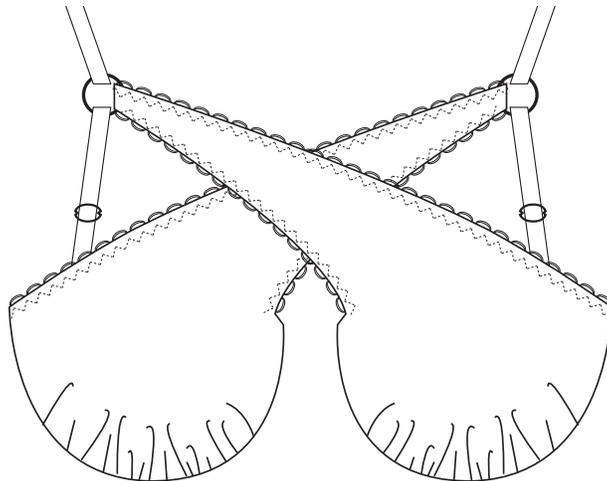
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Ivy Criss-Cross Overlay Bra Cup

Cup Sizes 1 - 36
Regular Wire Sizes 28-60



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Determine Your Cup Size

The Ivy Criss-Cross Overlay Bra Cup is a single gathered pattern piece that is used in conjunction with the Eve Classic Bra Cup. Please follow the steps for the Eve Classic Bra to determine your cup and band size prior to starting this pattern.

This pattern is designed for the Regular Wire. Please note that there is a different pattern for the Ivy for Vertical wires. Our bra bands and cups are sold separately for the ability to customize your own fit. Prior to determining your cup size, you MUST determine your wire. These cup patterns were designed by incorporating breast volume and torso shape. These patterns are not designed around a cup size, but by the volume-to-body ratio. Please note that these are graded differently than all other pattern makers which is why they are designated by sizes 1 through 36.

Utilize the charts in the back of the Eve Classic Bra Cup Instructions to determine the horizontal measurement used for your specific Eve Classic Bra Cup. Match the horizontal cup measurement of the Eve to the closest measurement of the Ivy.

Horizontal Seam Length		
	Ivy Cup Overlay Regular Wire	Horizontal Cup Match Imperial (Inches)
Cup Size	Cup 1	6 5/16
	Cup 2	6 9/16
	Cup 3	6 13/16
	Cup 4	7 1/16
	Cup 5	7 5/16
	Cup 6	7 9/16
	Cup 7	7 13/16
	Cup 8	8 1/16
	Cup 9	8 5/16
	Cup 10	8 9/16
	Cup 11	8 13/16
	Cup 12	9 1/16
	Cup 13	9 5/16
	Cup 14	9 9/16
	Cup 15	9 13/16
	Cup 16	10 1/16
	Cup 17	10 5/16
	Cup 18	10 9/16
	Cup 19	10 13/16
	Cup 20	11 1/16
	Cup 21	11 5/16
	Cup 22	11 9/16
	Cup 23	11 13/16
	Cup 24	12 1/16
	Cup 25	12 5/16
	Cup 26	12 9/16
	Cup 27	12 13/16
	Cup 28	13 1/16
	Cup 29	13 5/16
	Cup 30	13 9/16
	Cup 31	13 13/16
	Cup 32	14 1/16
	Cup 33	14 5/16
	Cup 34	14 9/16
	Cup 35	14 13/16
	Cup 36	15 1/16

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Horizontal Seam Length		
	Ivy Cup Overlay Regular Wire	Horizontal Cup Match Metric (centimeters)
Cup Size	Cup 1	16.0
	Cup 2	16.7
	Cup 3	17.3
	Cup 4	17.9
	Cup 5	18.6
	Cup 6	19.2
	Cup 7	19.8
	Cup 8	20.5
	Cup 9	21.1
	Cup 10	21.7
	Cup 11	22.4
	Cup 12	23.0
	Cup 13	23.7
	Cup 14	24.3
	Cup 15	24.9
	Cup 16	25.6
	Cup 17	26.2
	Cup 18	26.8
	Cup 19	27.5
	Cup 20	28.1
	Cup 21	28.7
	Cup 22	29.4
	Cup 23	30.0
	Cup 24	30.6
	Cup 25	31.3
	Cup 26	31.9
	Cup 27	32.5
	Cup 28	33.2
	Cup 29	33.8
	Cup 30	34.4
	Cup 31	35.1
	Cup 32	35.7
	Cup 33	36.4
	Cup 34	37.0
	Cup 35	37.6
	Cup 36	38.3

Upper Torso Shape

There are four separate torso shapes available for the Ivy Overlay. Please select the same torso shape used for the Eve Classic.

Supply List

Cup Overlay Fabrics: Although this pattern was drafted for a woven fabric, you can utilize a variety of fabrics from woven to stretch. The underlying cup pattern holds the cup shape. It is not recommended to make this cup design without the underlying cups, as the shaping of the overlay pattern may not be conducive for supporting the breast on its own.

Edging Elastic: 3/8" to 1/2" (10mm to 12mm) plain or decorative edge elastic for the criss-cross edges. Alternatively, you can fully line the overlay and skip the elastic finishing of the edges.

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Hardware: Two rings for the joining of the three straps is required. The ring that attaches the Ivy to the other straps needs to be at least 5/8" or 15mm in size. Any ring smaller will not be sufficient for the Ivy strap. Follow the instructions for the cup for determining the strap and slide size.

Printing Instructions

File Types: All files are zipped PDF files (Adobe 6). We have discovered that individuals running Windows Vista or older may not have a reader that is compatible with this file format. Upon request, we can save as an older PDF version of Adobe 4 or 5.

Zipped files can be unzipped on any Windows or MacOS system. MacOS does not have an unzip program inherent in the operating system, so a third party application will be required. To download on mobile devices, we recommend downloading to DropBox and unzipping the files on a computer. They can then be saved to DropBox as PDFs for mobile printing.

File Sizes: Three paper sizes are included with each pattern size: Letter size, A4 and A1 (22"x33") or A0 (33"x46"). Not all patterns are in A0, as they fit on one A1 page.

File Printing: When printing, **deselect** the option "Fit to Canvas" or "Scale." This pattern needs to print at 100% or "Actual Size". There are 1" and 1 cm squares for checking your size after printing.

Pattern Layout: Most patterns are overlapped on 2-4 pages. The larger patterns are designed with about a 3/4" or 19mm overlap. You can trim the patterns on the lines, or carefully line up the pattern markings from page to page.

Seam Allowance & Stitches

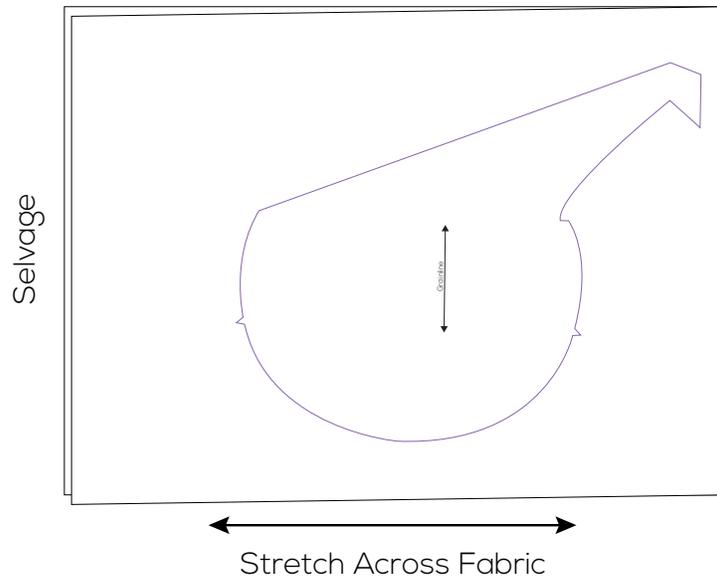
All seam allowances for the cup are 1/4" or 6mm. For seam allowances on the band, refer to the band instructions.

When sewing a bra, a zigzag or coverstitch is required for attaching elastics and areas of stretch. If your machine is capable of a three step zigzag, that is the preferred stitch for elastics. A straight stitch is required for sewing the cup and attaching the front and back bands. I recommend attaching the hooks & eyes with a straight stitch, then reinforcing them with a shallow zigzag stitch on the attaching edges. A small and narrow zigzag stitch is called a bar tack and is needed at the ends of the underwire casing and strap attachments.

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Cutting Instructions

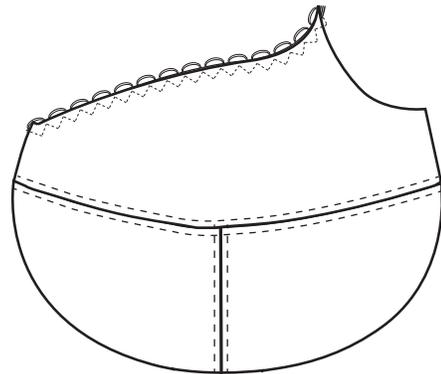
The grainline on the patterns indicate the direction of least stretch. This is usually parallel to the selvage/finished edge.



Sewing the Cup Overlay

Step 1

Fully construct the cup seams and front neckline finishing for the underlying cups as demonstrated with the cup instructions Steps 1-7.



Step 2

Take a length of the strap elastic used for the band. To determine the amount, measure the unfinished armhole of the cup and add 5-6" (12.5-15cm) to that length. Attach the slide to the elastic with the brushed sides facing each other. This can be stitched with a straight stitch or a zigzag.



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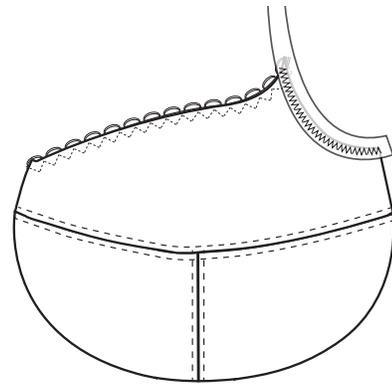
Step 3

Place the strap through the large ring and thread the elastic back through the slide.



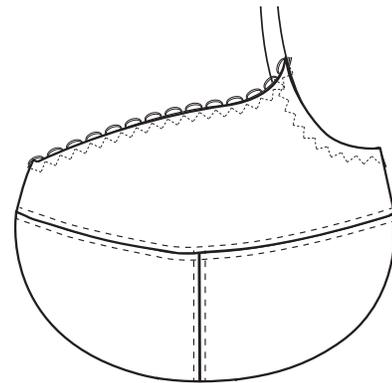
Step 4

Take the remaining side of the elastic and overlap the armhole of the cup with the strap elastic by 1/4" or 6mm. The plush side should be facing away from the cup. Stitch the strap elastic to the armhole.



Step 5

Fold the elastic towards the back of the cup and stitch in place. Reinforce the strap at the strap point on the cup with a bar tack.



Step 6

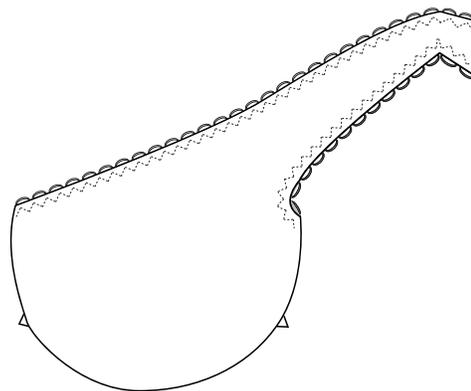
Place a picot elastic to both sides of the neckline with the face of the elastic against the face of the fabric. Stitch in place with either a zigzag or overlock stitch.



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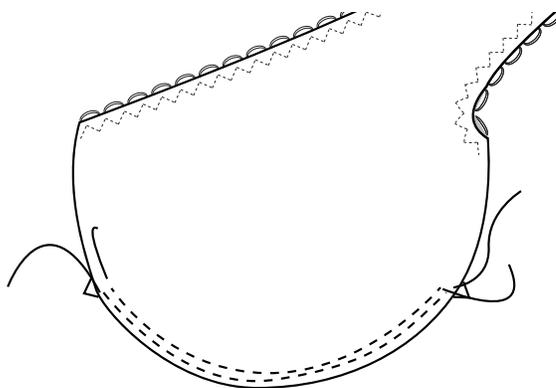
Step 7

Fold the elastic to the back of the cup and stitch the elastic in place with a zigzag stitch.



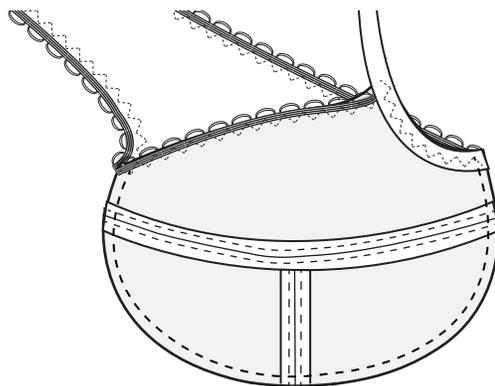
Step 8

Sew two rows of straight basting stitches along the outside of the curve between the notches. Sew one at 1/4" or 6mm and the second at 1/8" or 3mm.



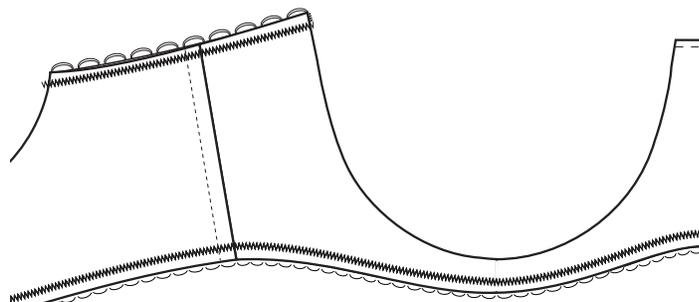
Step 9

Pull the gathering stitches together so the outer edge of the overlay matches the outer edge of the underlying cup. Pin in place and stitch together on the outer edges of the cup.



Step 10

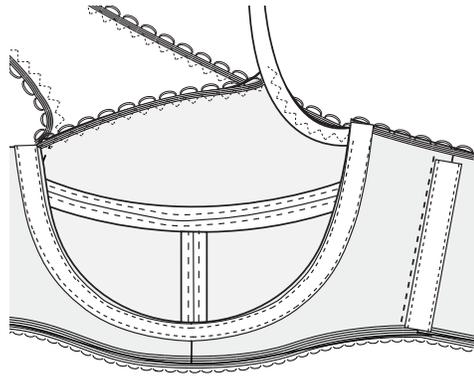
Follow the band construction steps for the Fitting Band up to Step 11. We are following the fitting band steps in order to clean finish the armhole of the band.



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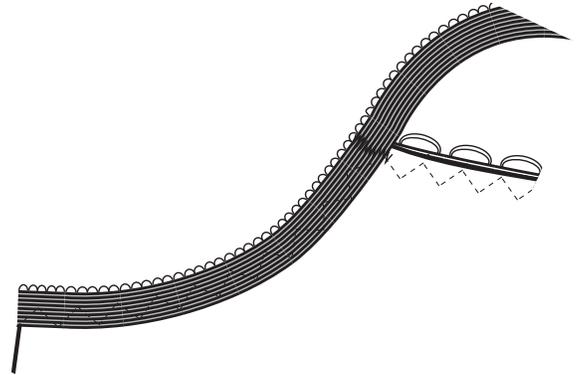
Step 11

Sew the cups into the band, following the Full Bra Construction Steps 11 through 13 to attach the underwire casing to the bra.



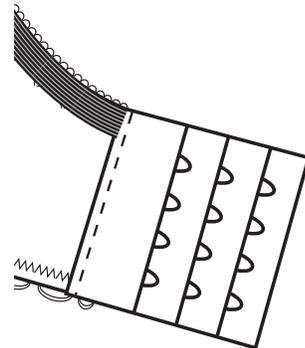
Step 12

Take the length of strap elastic measuring about 15". Attach one end to the slide, then feed the strap through the large ring on the front and back through the slide (see Steps 2 & 3). Attach the remaining end of the strap to the back neckline, following Step 15 of the Full Bra Construction.



Step 13

Complete the back band with the hook and eye as demonstrated in Step 17 and insert the wire as demonstrated in Step 18.



Step 14

Complete the bra by attaching the overlay strap to the ring in the front. Loop through and secure in place with a straight stitch or zigzag. Adjust the slides in the front and back for the overlay to lay flat on the body.

