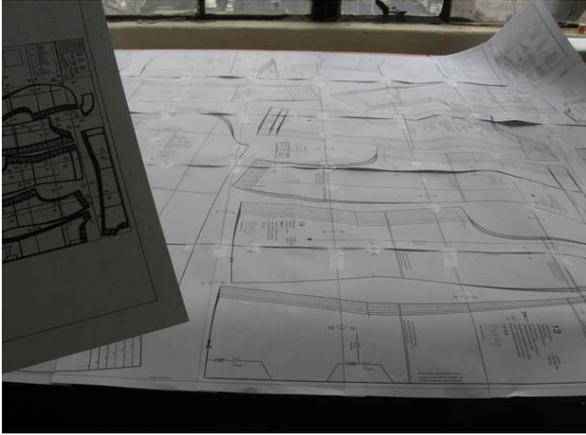


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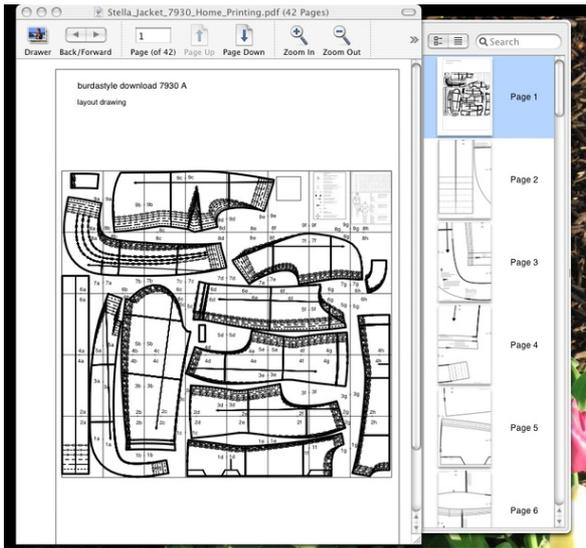
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How to print and assemble a pattern at home.

Step 1



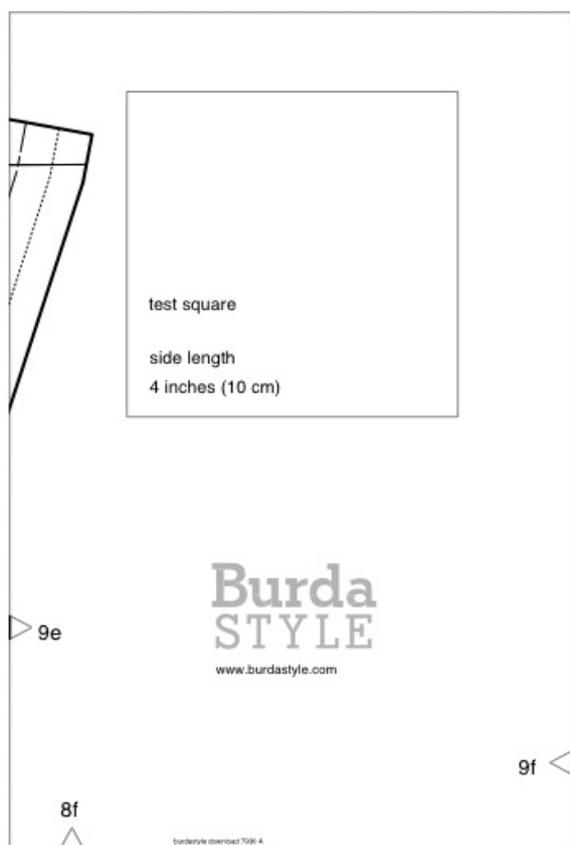
Choose your pattern from the Pattern Database. Decide if you will be printing the pattern at home (on regular 8 1/2"x11" paper- and then assemble) or if you will have it printed at a copy shop. Select the appropriate printing option. To begin, I will walk you through downloading and printing a pattern to assemble at home. Click PRINT AND ASSEMBLE AT HOME and choose where to save the file. Open the file and browse to make sure that it has downloaded fully. The first page of this PDF is a drawing of the layout of all of the pages once they are put together. This will serve as a map or guide while you put together this pieces, much like a puzzle.

Step 2



Print the document. **DO NOT SCALE TO FIT** and **DO NOT CROP**. Print the document as is. This is absolutely necessary to ensure the accuracy of the pieces when you cut them out.

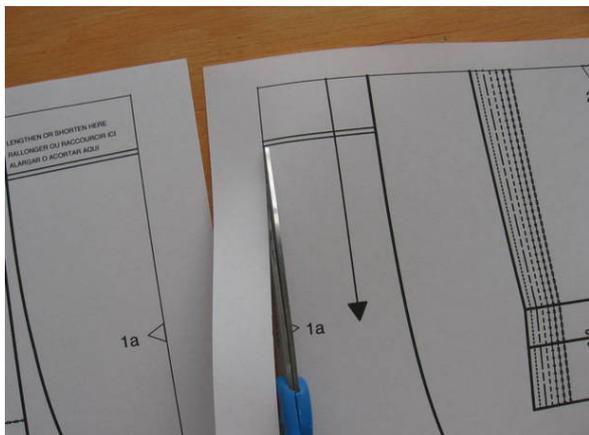
Step 3



Once all of the pages have printed, find the page containing the TEST SQUARE (Usually one of the last pages in the set). Measure the test square. The side should be 4" or 10 cm. This helps ensure that the pattern printed at the proper scale. Now you are ready to begin putting together the pattern. *** You might also try printing just this page first, to make sure that your printer is aligned

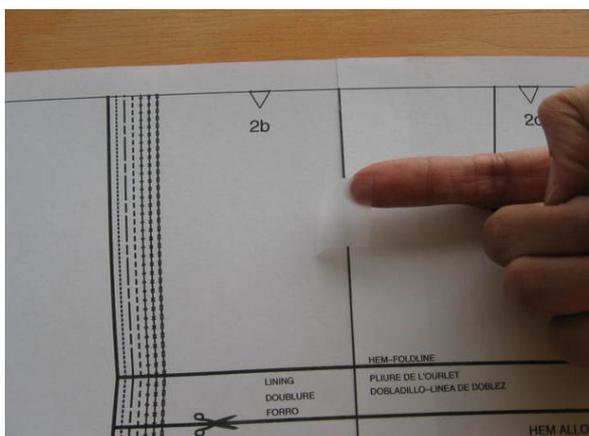
and printing to scale, before printing everything. The page number will vary with patterns, but look for it in PREVIEW or Adobe Reader towards the end of the file***

Step 4



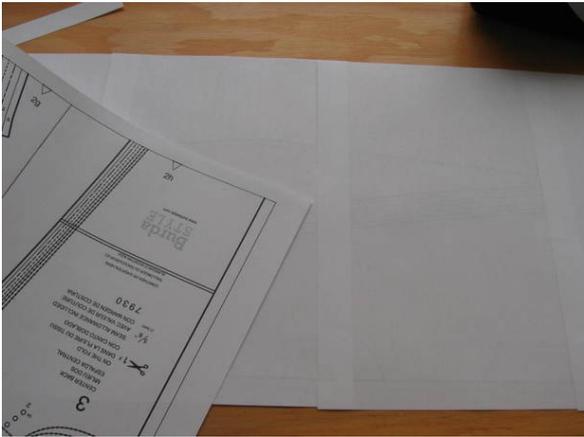
Cut one side off of the margin on each piece as you tape it down. If you keep the margin on one of the pages, it makes it sturdier when you cut out the pieces. For this, I kept the margin on the right side of every piece, and cut it off on the left. This creates a sort of backing for the pages.

Step 5



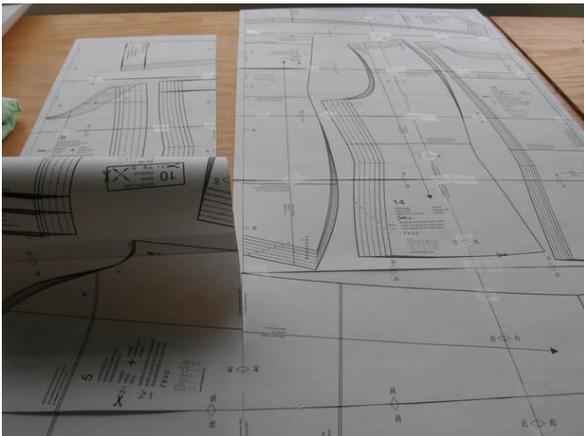
Start taping together the pages starting at the bottom left corner. Use the illustrated guide as well as the matching codes to match each piece. (1a on one page should join with 1a on the next page. . .)

Step 6



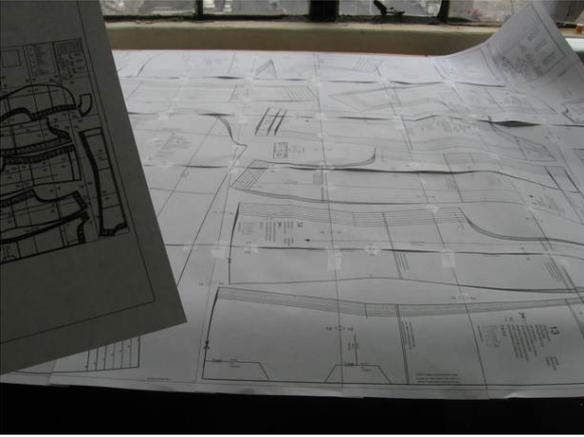
I suggest taping together an entire row from left to right, then turning it over and taping down the back.

Step 7



Then tape the second row together entirely, and then tape it onto the first row. You can also tape each page to the row below and the page next to it, but I find it is harder to match up the notches this way. I also suggest taping the corners of each page on the front and back, and especially be sure to tape the pages together where the pattern piece lays, so when you cut it out, the pages don't separate.

Step 8



Continue until complete. Compare to Pattern Layout Guide. Then, choose your size and follow the coordinating line to cut out the pattern.

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