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This project is inspired by the Megaman video games, and is made to look like the energy tank one collects in the games. What better place to put it then on one's cup of coffee? On its own it's just a basic cup sleeve project, held together with velcro, so all the applique can be skipped.

DIFFICULTY: 

Super simple! It's just the appliqué that might be a bit tricky for newbies :D

MAKES:

one sleeve that fits a 3 1/2" wide to 4" wide cup

## MATERIALS & TOOLS

- 1/4 yd. or a 15" x 15" scrap of turquoise light to medium weight fabric (linen or broadcloth would be perfect – I used quilting cotton)
- 2 1/2" – 5" of Velcro
- Appliqué supplies:
  - 5" x 14" scrap of black appliqué fabric
  - 5" x 5" scrap of light blue appliqué fabric
  - 8" x 14" scrap of light or heavy-weight fusible web
- Matching sewing thread
- Basic sewing tools (sewing machine, scissors, iron, needles, pins, fabric marker, seam ripper)

### BEFORE YOU BEGIN:

1. Print out the project pattern, pages 6-7
2. Assemble the printed pattern pieces
3. Lay out the pattern pieces on your fabric and cut them out
4. Mark the fabric pieces with the guidelines from the pattern



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The majority of this project is the appliqué of course :3 So after you apply your fusible web and cut your fabric pieces, lay them out on your sleeve according to the pattern guidelines, the light blue pieces first, then the black pieces. Iron them on, and, if you used lightweight fusible web, sew them on with a straight stitch or (as I've done) a zigzag stitch. If you used heavyweight fusible web you can skip the sewing ^-^ The adhesive on heavyweight fusible web is meant to be enough to hold your pieces in place.



2

Now you'll want to attach your Velcro. Sew the Velcro in place according to the pattern guidelines, putting the loop side on the sleeve front (with the appliqué), and the hook side on the inner part of the sleeve. When both viewed from the right side they should look like this.

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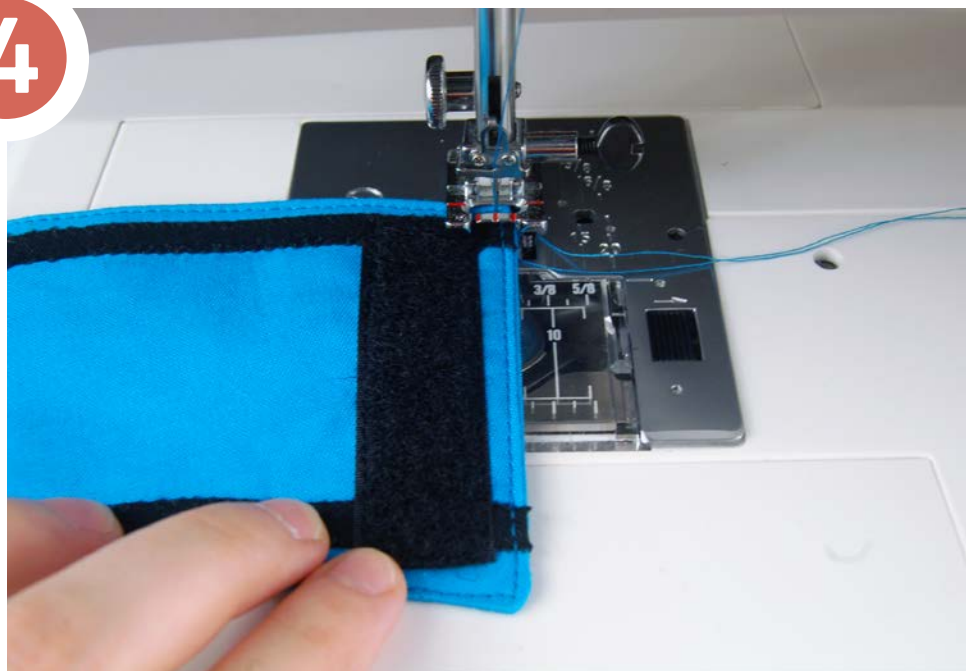
After the Velcro is attached you'll need to sew the outside and inside together. Layer them with right sides facing and sew around the perimeter of the shape, leaving an opening in the bottom as the pattern guideline indicates. Trim the seam allowances (especially the corners), turn the sleeve right side out, and press the edges flat.

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With the edges looking crisp, you'll want to go back and edge stitch around the perimeter of the sleeve, closing up the opening you had before in the process.

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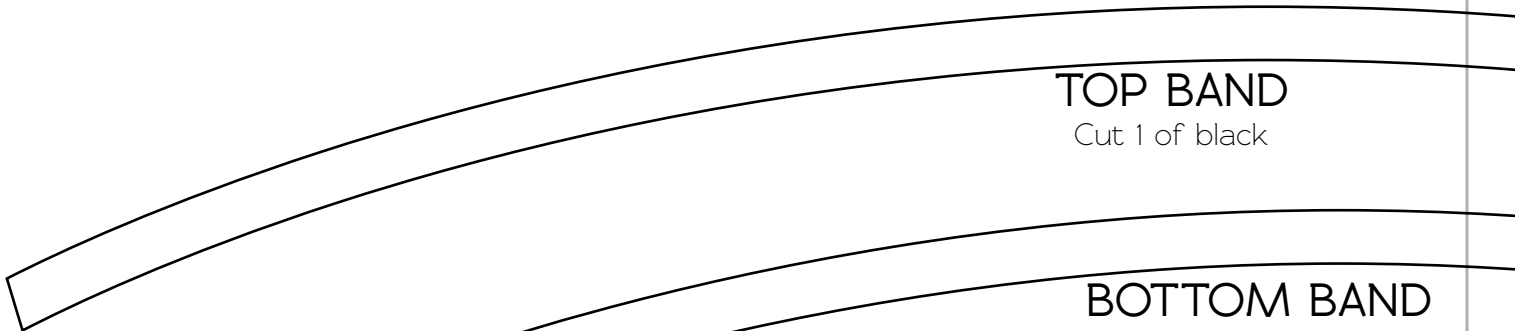


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If you want to make the sleeve adjustable so it fits more sizes of cups, you could also add another strip of Velcro as I did. Just add another strip from the loop side beside the previous one. Now go slap it on your favorite cup because YOU'RE DONE!

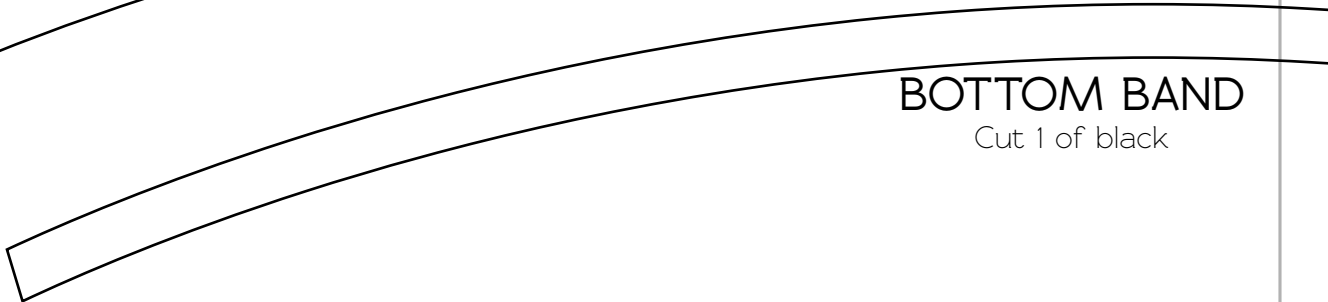
**TOP BAND**

Cut 1 of black



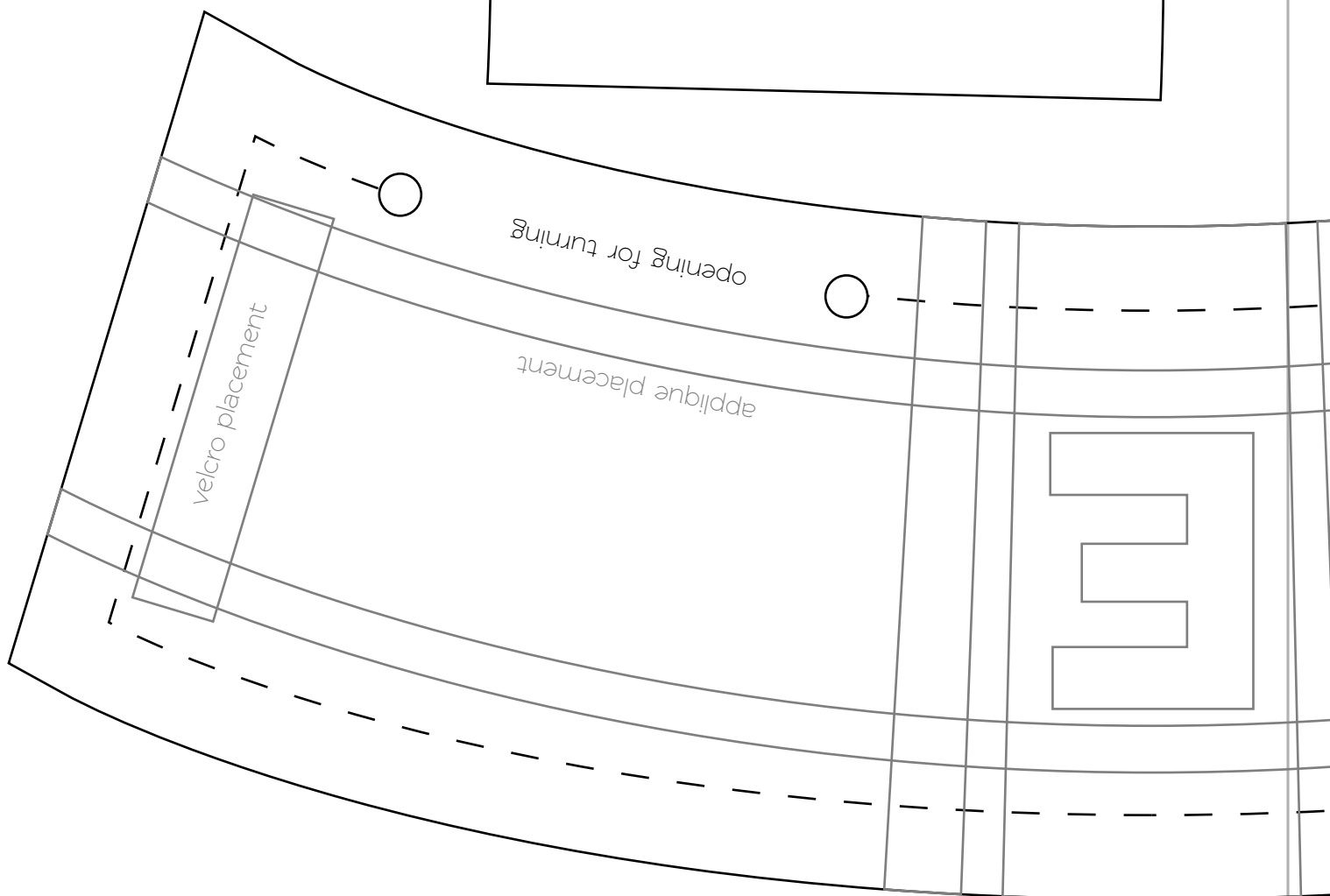
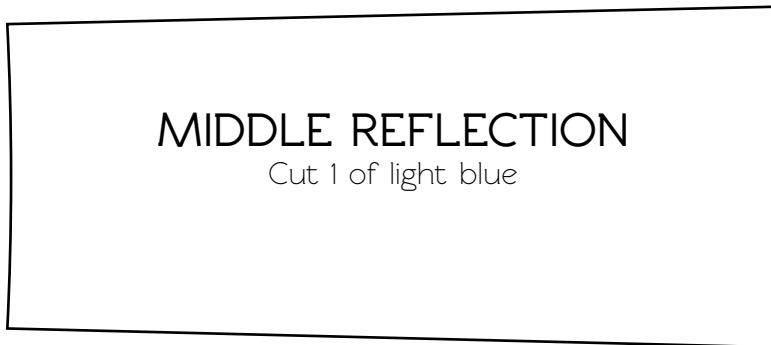
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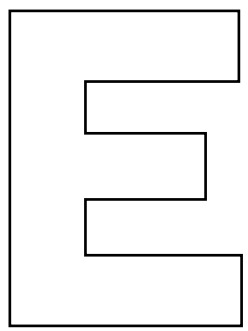


**MIDDLE REFLECTION**

Cut 1 of light blue



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Cut 1 of black

SIDE REFLECTIONS

Cut 2 of light blue

