

## Cape Pattern



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## Sewing Tips

### Cutting Out:

- Lay fabric out in a single layer on a large table making sure that the grain line (look at a single warp end) is perfectly straight.
- Place pattern on fabric being very careful that the center back and the center front are on the grain line.
- Pin the pattern in place.
- Cut out
- Repeat process for second side, making sure that you turn the pattern over (right side down)

### Construction:

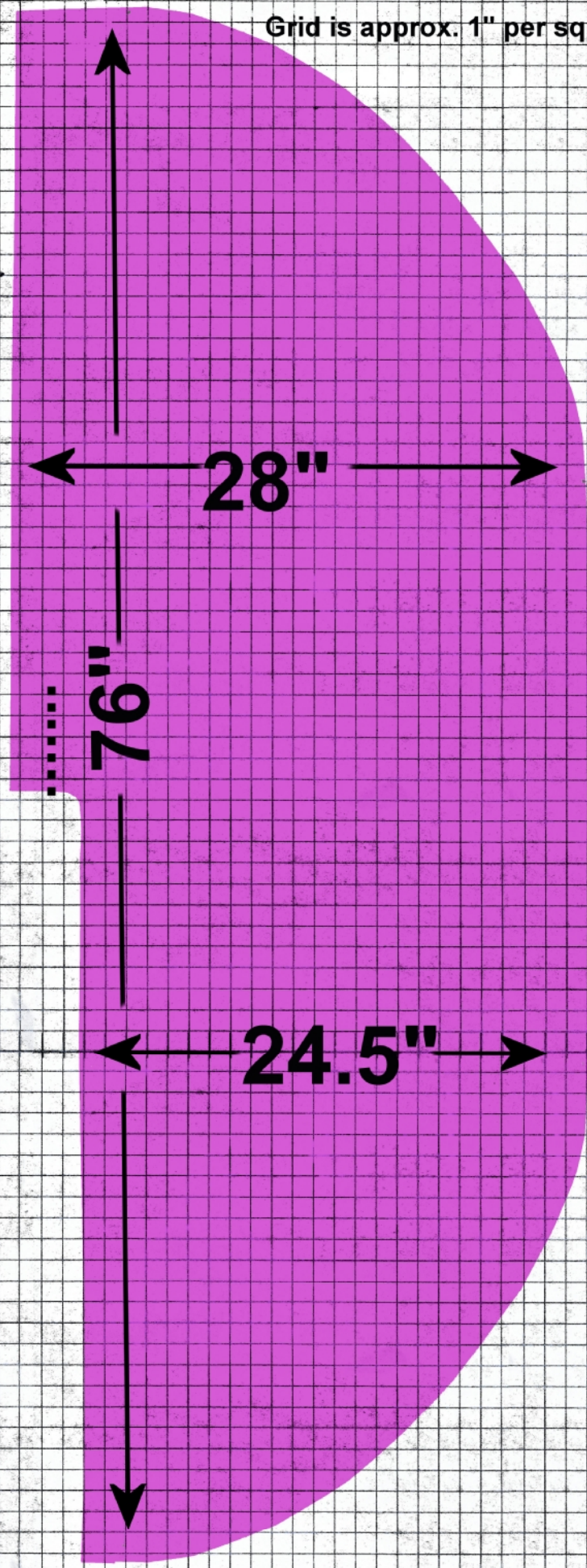
- Using a medium length stitch, stay stitch 1/4" from all cut edges, following the directional stitching shown below.



- Prepare 8 yards of 1 1/2" wide bias strips from China silk or Bemberg rayon. Stitch together to create a continuous strip.
- Use serger to apply binding to cape edges. With right sides together and raw edges even, apply silk binding to both center back edges.
- Fold silk over serged edge and with sewing machine, stitch in the ditch to secure.
- Sew center back seam together using a 5/8" seam
- To make box pleat, stitch 2" from center back seam, from neckline to 4" below the neckline. Backstitch to secure. Press back seam open and box pleat flat.
- On right side, top stitch along stitching line.
- Returning to serger, apply silk edging to remain of cape.
- With sewing machine stitch in the ditch to secure.
- Fold all edges to inside. Top stitch in place.

Grid is approx. 1" per square

Sew 4" pleat along dotted line



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