

# Easy Christmas Stocking

The pattern is designed for fleece, but still works with other fabrics. If you choose to work with quilting cotton, consider adding stabilizer to the cuff. To make the cuff from faux fur, use a lightweight lining fabric for one set of the cuff pieces.

## What You'll Need:

### Equipment / Tools

- Printer
- Scissors
- Pins
- Sewing machine
- Embroidery needle (optional)

### Materials

- 1/2 yard blizzard or anti-pill fleece for the main body of the stocking
- 1/4 yard blizzard or anti-pill fleece fabric for the top of the stocking
- Thread
- 1/2-inch wide satin ribbon
- Coordinating embroidery floss (optional)
- Paper

1. Cut out all the pattern pieces. Join stocking pieces A and B together as marked.

Note: A 1/4-inch seam allowance is included on all pattern pieces. Sew with a 1/4-inch seam allowance for all steps.

2. Cut the Fabric

### Stocking Body

- Fold the fabric wrong sides together, matching the selvages. If it is difficult to determine the wrong side, pull across the width of the fabric and it will curl towards the wrong side.
- Place the pattern piece so that the arrows align with the stretch of the fleece fabric. (If you use another type of fabric, these arrows should align with the crosswise fabric grain.) If using a material like faux fur with long, raised fibers (i.e nap), make sure it is running down towards the bottom of all pieces.
- Pin the pattern piece in place.
- Cut out around the pattern to cut 2 body pieces.

## Stocking Cuff

- Repeat the steps above to cut out the cuff for the stocking, cutting 4 cuff pieces in total.

### 3. Assemble the Body of the Christmas Stocking

- Place both stocking body pieces right sides together—align all the edges and baste or pin in place.
- Sew around the edges, leaving the top of the stocking open.
- If you are using a fabric other than fleece, apply a seam finish (like a zigzag stitch) to prevent fraying.
- Turn right side out.

Note: Sometimes it's difficult to tell which is the right and wrong side of certain fleece fabrics, so pay close attention when pinning and sewing!

### 4. Assemble the Cuff

- With wrong sides together, pin and sew the short sides of the pair of stocking cuff pieces. Repeat with the remaining cuff pieces.
- Turn one of the cuffs right side out. Place the turned cuff inside the outer cuff, right sides together.
- Align the edges, pin, and sewing around the one edge (this will be the bottom of the cuff).
- Turn the cuff right side out.

### 5. Attach the Cuff to the Stocking

- Place the stocking cuff inside the right-side-out stocking, aligning the side seams and raw edges at the top.
- Cut a 6-inch piece of ribbon and fold it in half.
- Place the ribbon between the stocking and the cuff with the cut ends of the ribbon up. The ribbon should be on the edge of the heel side of the stocking.
- Pin or baste all around the top edge.
- Sew around the top of the stocking, backstitching over the ribbon hanger for extra strength.

## 6. Finish the Stocking

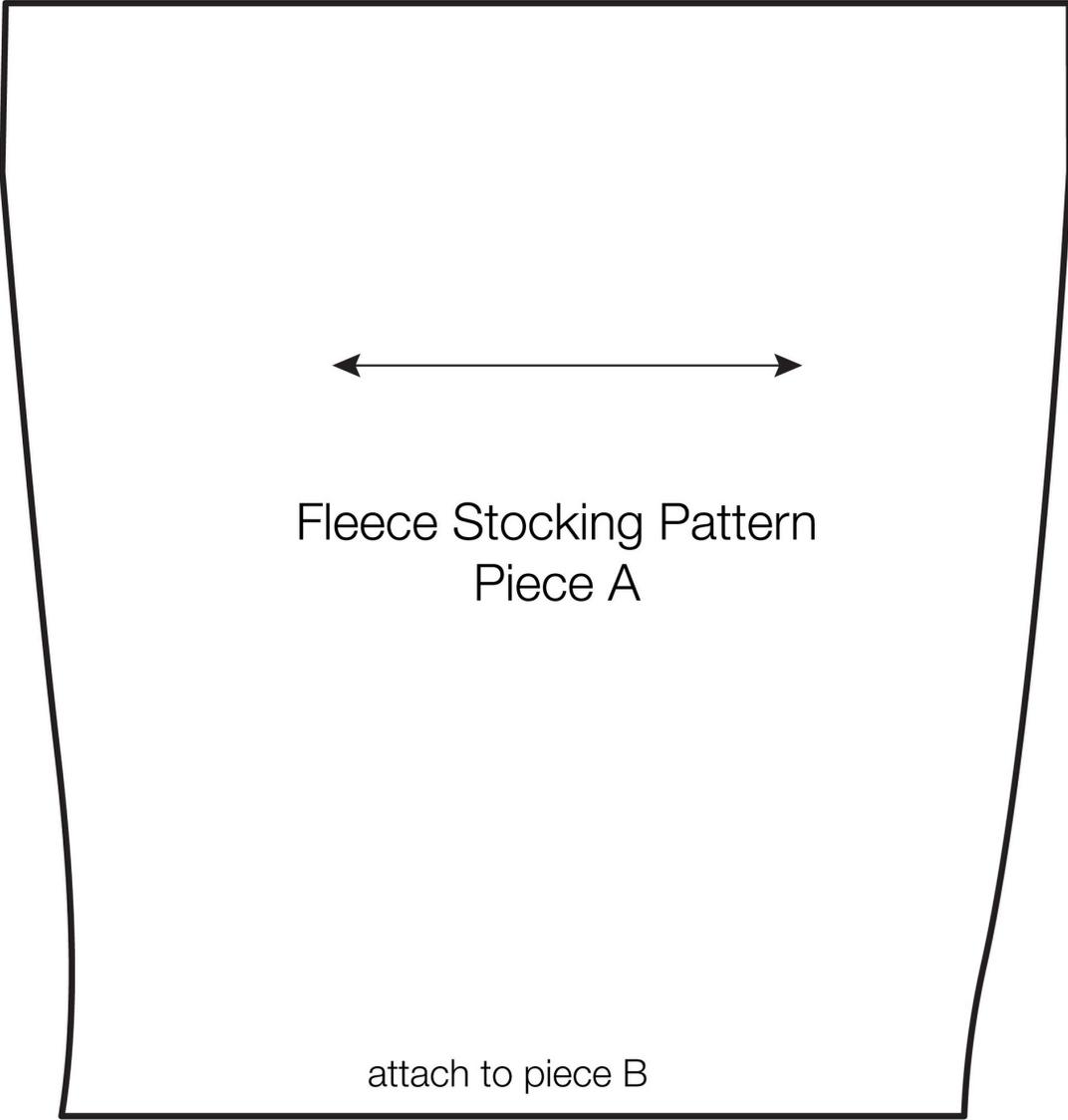
- Turn the cuff to the outside of the stocking.
- Finish off the bottom edge of the cuff with a line of embroidery floss in a running stitch worked by hand—it's a small detail that adds the perfect handmade touch to your project.

### **Tips and Ideas**

- To help prevent thread jams when sewing fleece, lower the pressure on your sewing machine's presser foot.
- Personalize a stocking by using novelty prints and unconventional fabrics.
- Use a copy machine or adjust your printer settings to enlarge or decrease the size of the pattern to your liking.

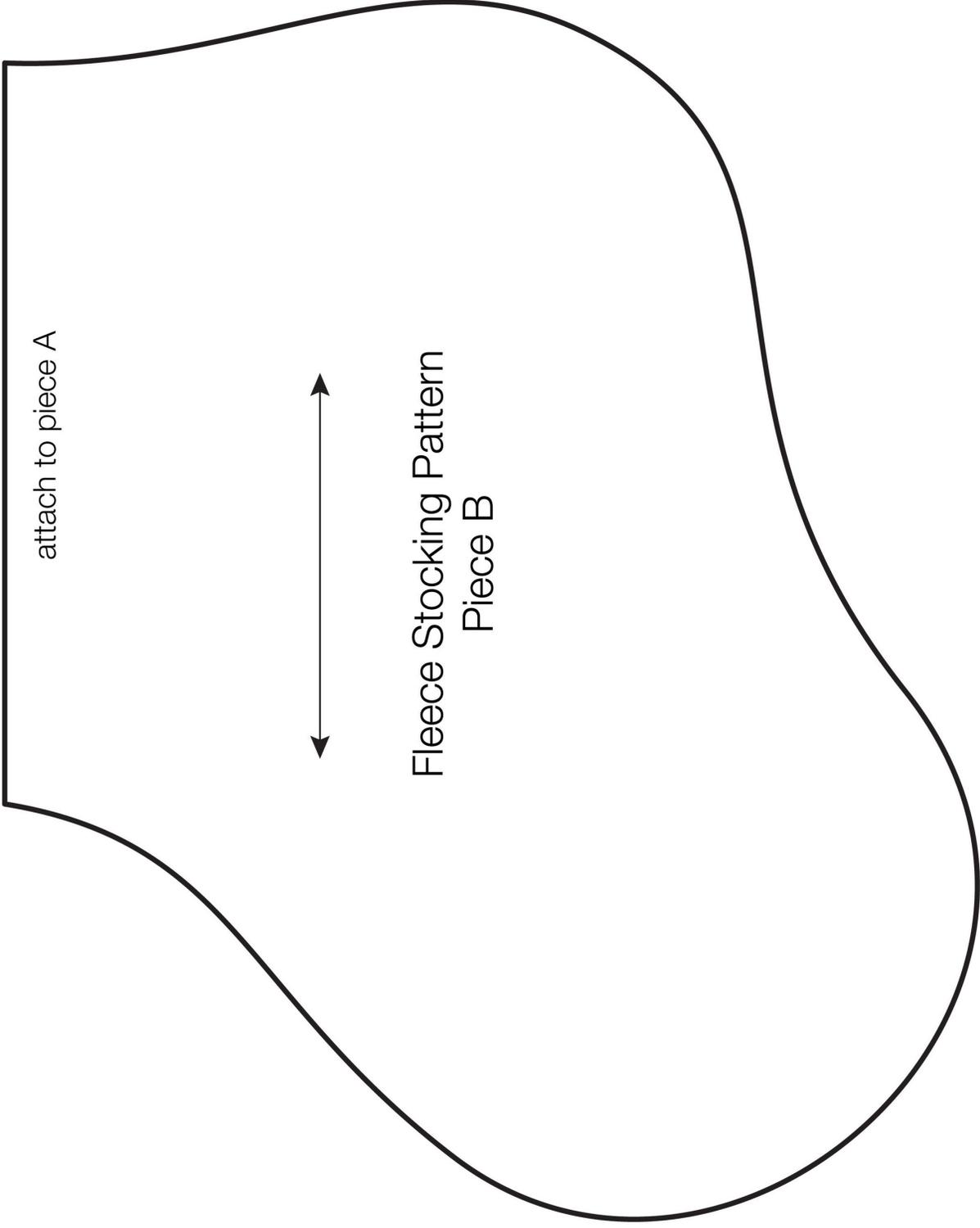
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Fleece Stocking Pattern  
Piece A

attach to piece B



attach to piece A

Fleece Stocking Pattern  
Piece B



Fleece Stocking Pattern  
Cuff