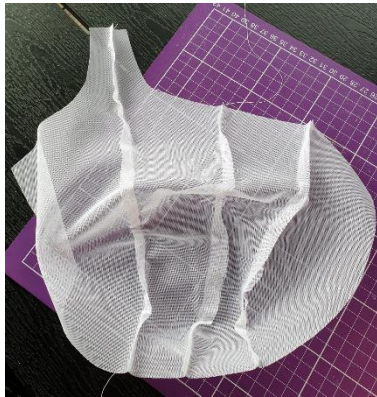


How I work with lace

If you are using a stretch lace to a non-stretch bra cup you need to make the lace cup smaller so it stretches over the rigid cup. You do need to sew with 7 - 8 mm seam allowance. Sew down the seam allowance on the lace as you do on your fabric cup. Cut the allowance so it gets a good look from the outside.

I usually sew the fabric and the lace as two separate cups and then put them together with the seam allowances against each other.



When you pin the fabric/lace cups together, the fabric shall be placed just under the lowest wave of the lace, see pictures.



1. Sew the lining and lace together at the neckline with a transparent or narrow bra band elastic.
2. If you don't use the lace scallops, pin lace and lining cups with seam allowance facing each other and sew on your elastic the same way you do with bottom- & arm elastic

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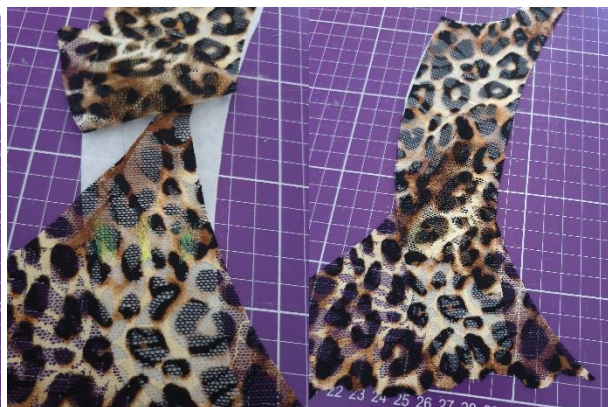
If you found a lace you love but it is a bit too narrow, you can easily make it wider. I usually place my pattern pieces where I want them and cut them out, but leave the pattern piece under the lace piece as shown below.



Then I place a bit of lace underneath the piece where lace is missing.....



...and glue it to the lace piece I already cut out, still with my paper pattern underneath.



Then I place my pattern piece on top and continue cut out my lace pieces shown below.



When all pieces that needed more width is made, I will zigzag (2.0×1.5) the small piece together, by the scallops of the larger piece, see picture.



The last step before sewing my cup together is to cut the overflow of lace in the back of the pieces, close to the seam.



If you use the scallops of the lace and want to use the strap attachment to the in this case Angie or Jessica you in the same way as you did when you made the narrow lace wider - with your pattern pieces underneath. Place an extra piece of lace and cut out, then cut one similar piece in the lining you are using and sew them together on the side for the neckline. When that is done, clue the pieces together as you done in the bottom of your pieces and zigzag (2.0×1.5) them together as before.

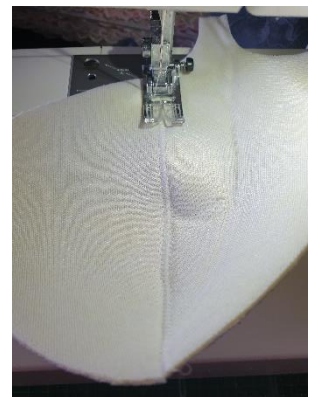
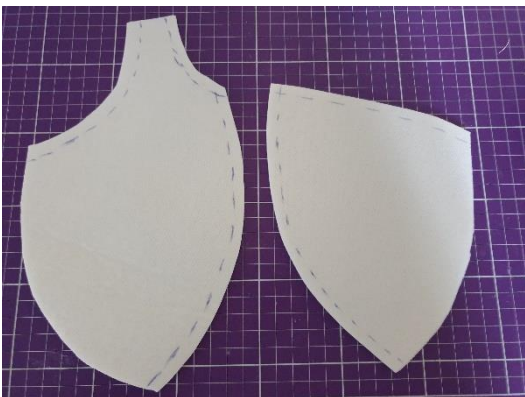
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As an extra for those who want to work with cut & sew foam instead of lining, I here include the easiest way of using Cut & Sew foam. You use the lace the same as before, but for the cut & sew you need to take the seam allowance away as shown below, if you have more cups seams you need to take the seam allowance away from all pieces that are sewn together.



Use your imagination when you work with your laces! You are the designer! 😊

Good luck!