

Easter Egg Placemat and Potholder

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Make these fun placemats from scraps you already have! They can all be different and decorated just the way you like! They are fun to make and let you use all your pretty decorative stitches. Our pattern is sized for the “kids

table”. To make them for the “adult” table, just enlarge the pattern. An embroidered name is optional.



Sewing Supplies:

Husqvarna Viking Sewing Machine with decorative Stitches

Clear 1/4” Piecing Foot w/Guide #4129274-45

Clear B Edge Joining Foot #413058445

Clear B Edge Stitching Foot #413058345

Sewing Thread

Wrights Jumbo Rick Rack (1 1/3 yards is needed for each large placemat, 1 1/4 yards for each child’s placemat and 28” (5/8 of a yard) for each potholder).

40 wt. Rayon Embroidery Thread

Bobbin Thread

INSPIRA® Cut-A-Way Stabilizer #141000802

Fabric Scraps

Insul-Bright

Pinking Shears

Pattern:

Cut out the pattern pieces A and B for the placemat. Tape them together at the dashed line to create one “egg” shape. If a larger placemat is desired, place your pattern on paper or pattern making material and mark 1” outside the pattern all the way around.

Cut:

From Lining Fabric:

11” x 16” for each child’s placemat

13” x 18” for each adult placemat

11” x 8” for each potholder

From Insul-Bright:

11” x 8” for each potholder

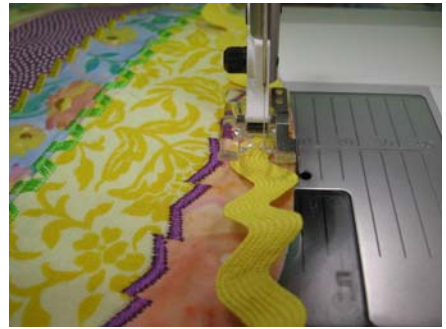
From scraps, cut strips 1 1/4”, 1 1/2”, 1 3/4” and 2” wide. The strips should be 18” long. They should be different colors and assorted widths.

Sew:

1. Thread with sewing thread on top and in the bobbin.
2. Snap on your Clear 1/4" Piecing Foot w/guide.
3. Select center needle position straight stitch.
4. Place your first two strips right sides together. Stitch along the long side aligning the edge of the fabric strips with the flange on the strip.
5. Piece together enough strips for the number of placemats and pot holders you would like to make.
6. Press all the seams to one side.
7. Place your pattern on the pieced fabric and cut out the placemats and potholders.
8. Place your pieced strips on Cut-A-Way Stabilizer. We will leave the stabilizer in the placemats and potholders. It gives nice stability and eliminates the need to tear off the stabilizer.
9. Thread with Robison Anton 40 wt. rayon embroidery thread on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin.
10. Snap on your Clear B Edge Joining Foot. It lets you sew straight, because the guide will follow the seam, and the tunnel on the bottom of the foot will ride over the decorative stitches nicely.
11. Select your favorite decorative stitches and stitch over the seams. If you use an Omnimotion Stitch, switch to your "S" Foot. As long as your Husqvarna Viking sewing machine calls for the "B" Foot, use the Clear B Edge Joining Foot.
12. If desired, program a name into your Husqvarna Viking Embroidery machine. Hoop Tear-A-Way Stabilizer and baste your placemat to the stabilizer. Embroider the name. We also personalized our potholder with "Julie's Kitchen".
13. Trim the stabilizer the same size as the placemat or potholder as shown.



14. Snap on your Clear B Edge Stitching Foot. Move the needle position to 1.5 to the right. Place the rick rack on top of the pieced placemat or potholder so that the point of the rick rack is even with the edge of the fabric. Stitch, keeping the edge of the fabric and rick rack even with the flange of the foot as shown.



15. Where the ends join, run them into the seam allowance as shown.

16. Place the placemat on the lining fabric, right sides together. Stitch around leaving a 4" opening to turn. Sew with the pieced fabric up and follow the existing line of stitching.



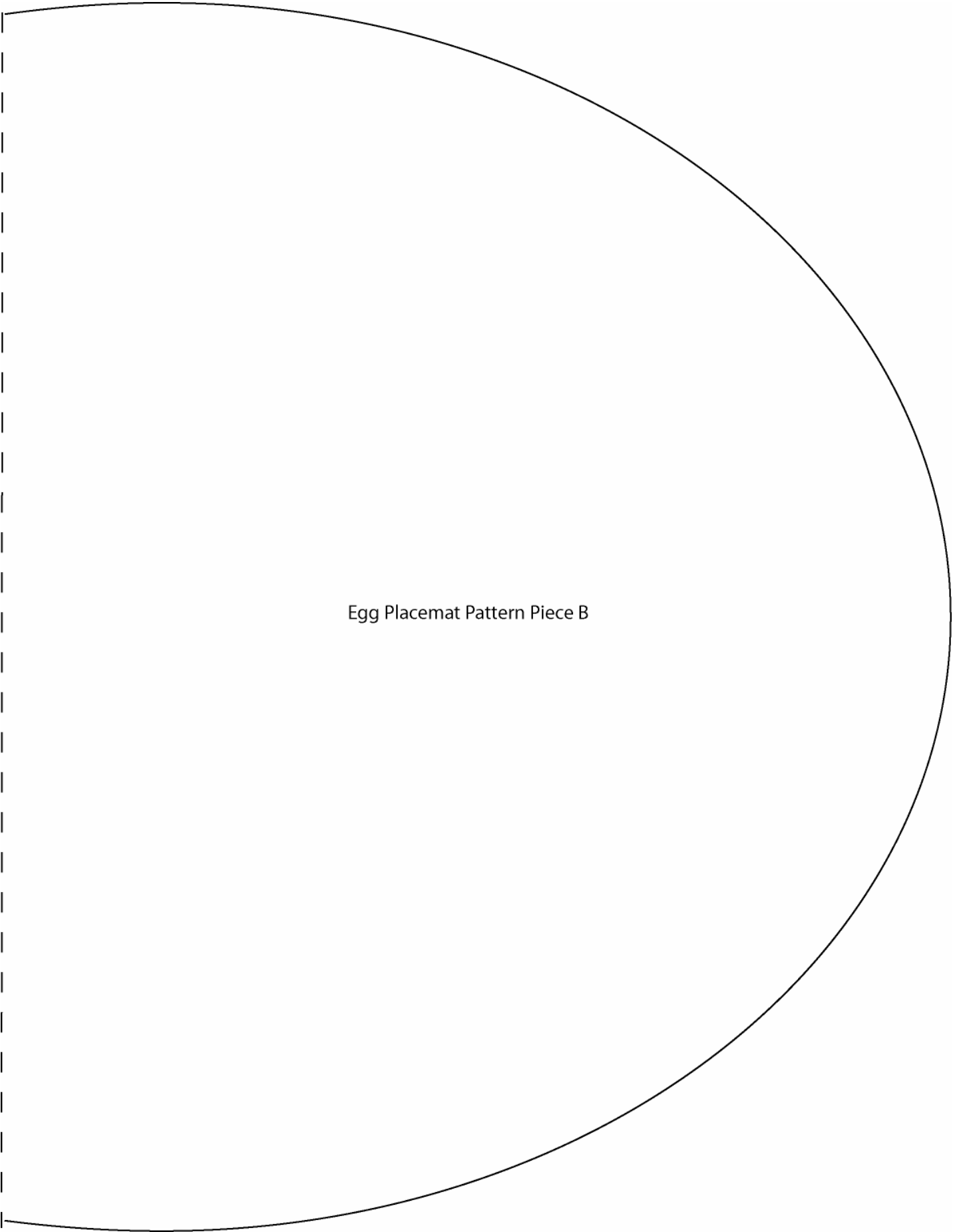
17. Place the Potholder on the lining fabric. Place Insul-Bright underneath both. Stitch around leaving a 4" opening to turn. Leave the opening where you want the hanger to go. Sew with the pieced fabric up and follow the existing line of stitching.

18. Turn and trim the excess fabric with your pinking shears. Press. On the Potholder, insert a 5" loop of rick rack for the hanger. Stitch through the rick rack on the edge of the potholder in the "ditch" of the seam as shown.

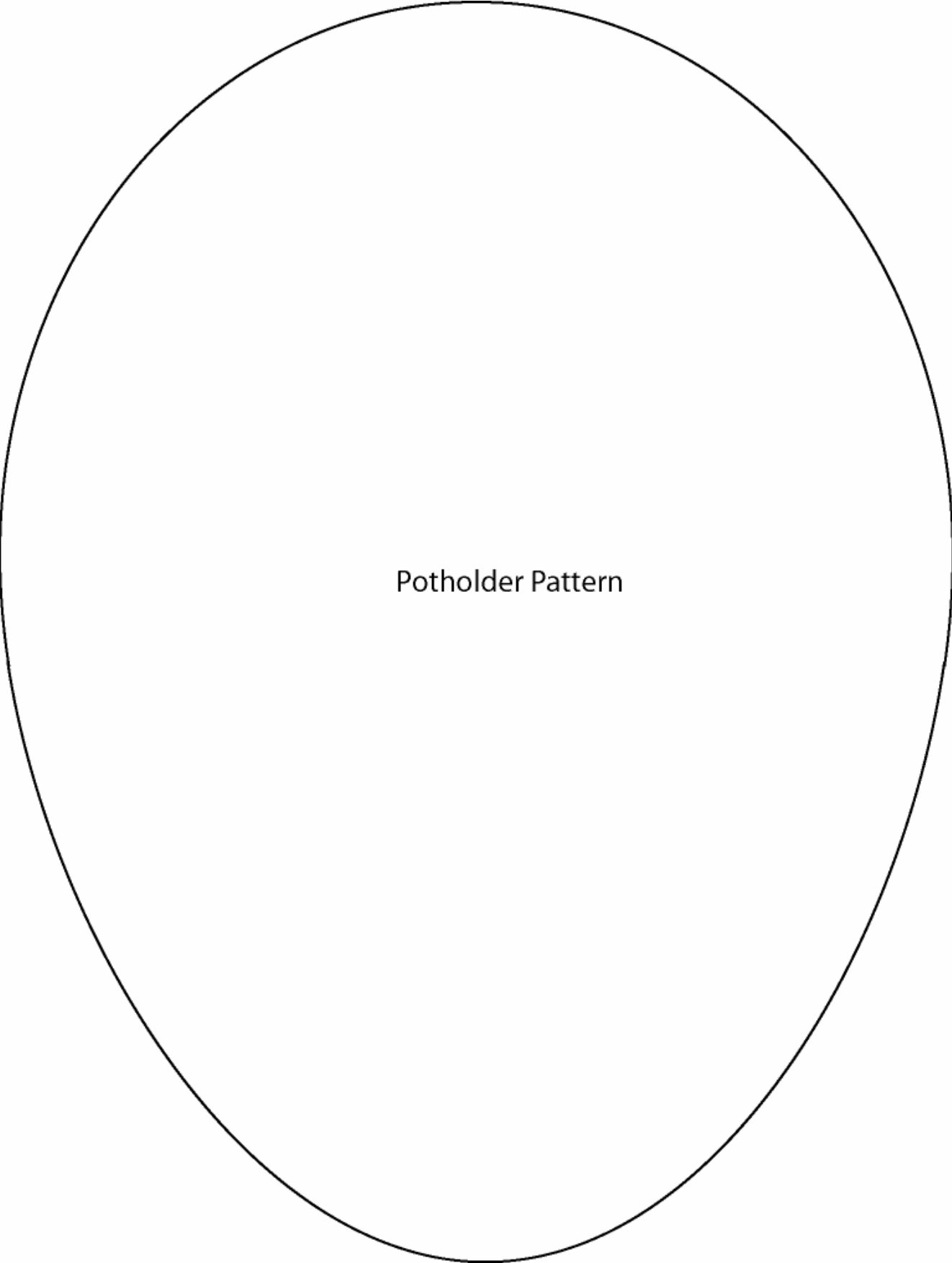


19. Hand stitch the openings closed.

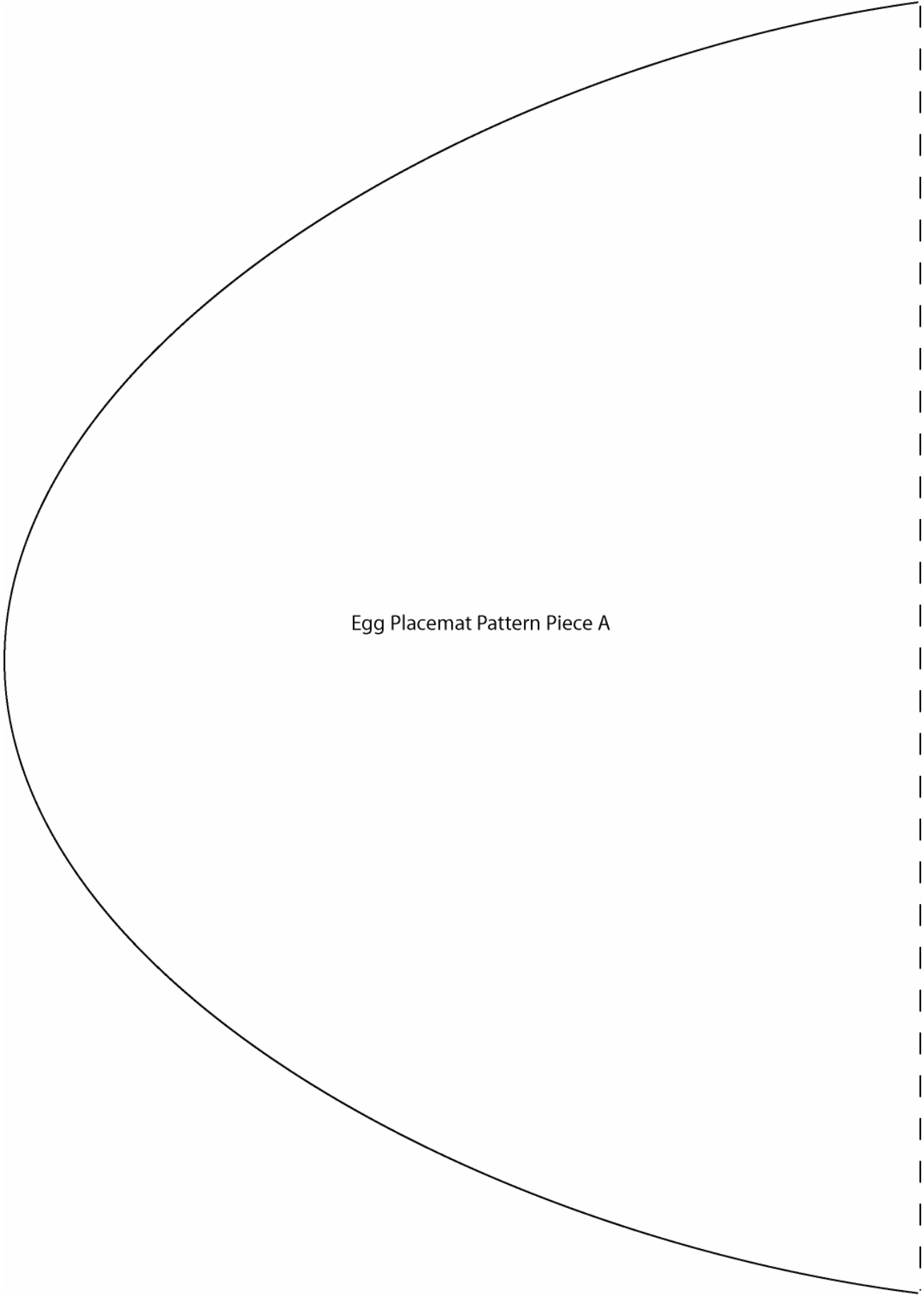
Bring on the "bunny"!



Egg Placemat Pattern Piece B



Potholder Pattern



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