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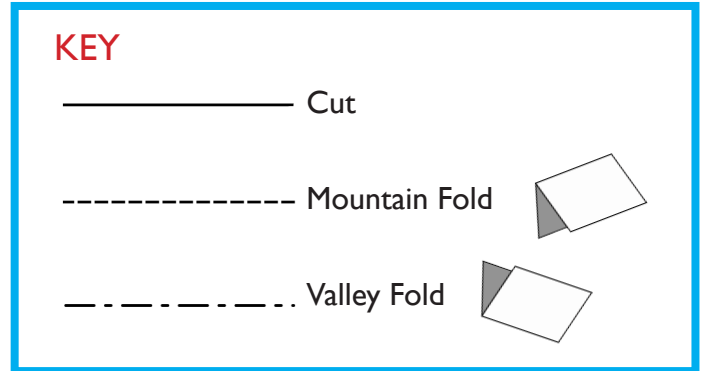
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A fun Easter nest centrepiece with 8 decorated Easter eggs and a hatching chick! Use the egg designs supplied or print out the template on page 13 and decorate your own.

Tools required:

- For best results use 180gm paper
- Scissors or craft knife
- Glue
- Ruler

tip Use the ruler and either the back (ie blunt) side of the craft knife, or an old ball point pen with no ink, to score along the fold lines before folding



METHOD : Easter Eggs

- cut out the 8 egg pieces for your chosen design, and score and fold each piece in half as marked.
- Take 2 egg sections and glue the back of Side A to the back of Side B, carefully lining up the edges and the crease of the fold.
- Repeat for the remaining 6 sections. You now have 4 quarter egg sections.
- Take 2 quarter sections and glue the back of Side A to the back of Side B, again carefully lining up the edges and the folds. You now have 2 half eggs.
- Apply glue to the back of one half section and stick it to the back of the other half, easing the edges into position so they line up.
- Finally, for a neat finish, trim any white edges that are showing and arrange the egg sections evenly.



METHOD : Hatching Chick

- Cut out PART 1 and PART 2 and stick them back to back. Remember to cut the wing slot as indicated.
- Cut out egg sections 3&4 and glue the back of the two Sides B together.
- Cut out egg sections 5&6 and glue the back of the two Sides D together.
- Glue back of the 2 Sides C together to form a half egg.
- With PART 1 facing (ie the chick is facing left) stick the back of Side A to Glue Area A and the back of Side E to Glue Area E.
- Trim any excess white edges and the first half of the hatching egg is complete.
- Cut out egg sections 7&8 and glue the back of the two Sides G together.
- Cut out egg sections 9&10 and glue the back of the two Sides I together.
- Glue back of the 2 Sides H together to form a half egg.
- With PART 2 facing (ie the chick is facing right) stick the back of Side F to Glues Area F and the back of Side J to Glue Area J.
- Trim any excess white edges and the second half of the egg is complete.

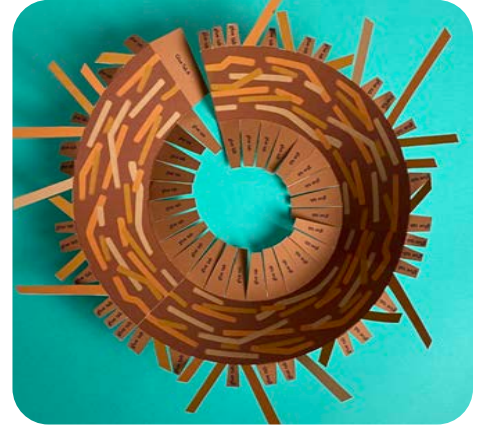


- Cut out the 2 Wing pieces. Score and fold them as indicated, before gluing them back to back.
- Slip the wings through the wing slot on the Chick's body and glue in place at the fold if required.
- Finally, arrange the egg sections evenly. Your hatching chick is now complete.

METHOD : Nest

Inner Sides

- Cut out the three pieces for Nest Side - inner.
- Score and fold the glue tabs as indicated.
- Glue Tab A of the first piece to the underside of Side A on the second piece.
- Glue Tab A of the second piece to the underside of Side A on the third piece.
- Glue Tab A of the third piece to the underside of Side A on the first piece to complete the nest form.



Base

- Apply glue to the base Glue tabs and stick the Nest Base in place

Outer Sides

- Cut out the 3 pieces for Nest Side - outer. Glue 2 Glue Tab Bs to the underside of 2 Side Bs to form one long curved strip.
- Turn the nest over so the base is facing upwards.
- Apply glue to the underside of the curved strip and, starting with the Glue Tab B end, wrap it around the outer side of the nest. Finally, glue the Side B overlap in place and turn the nest over.

Nest Top Edge

- Cut out the first Nest Edge piece, including the slots where marked.
- Keeping the glue tabs folded back out of the way, line up Twig 'a' on the nest with the slot marked 'a' on the edge piece, and Twig 'b' with slot 'b'. Slip each of the twigs through its equivalent slot and slide the Nest Edge piece into place.



Ease the longest twigs through first, adding the shorter ones as you slide the nest edge into place. Don't glue yet.

- Working anti-clockwise around the nest, repeat for the second Nest Edge piece.
- Glue the overlap in place.
- Repeat for the third and final section, easing the overlap beneath the first Nest Edge piece.
- Glue the overlap in place. Now turn over and glue all the Nest Edge Glue Tabs in place.
- Finally arrange the twigs, slipping Twig 'b' through slot 'bb' and Twig 'c' through slot 'c' to form curves.

Final Arrangement

- Put all your previously completed eggs in the nest and place the Hatching Chick on top. Your centrepiece is now complete.

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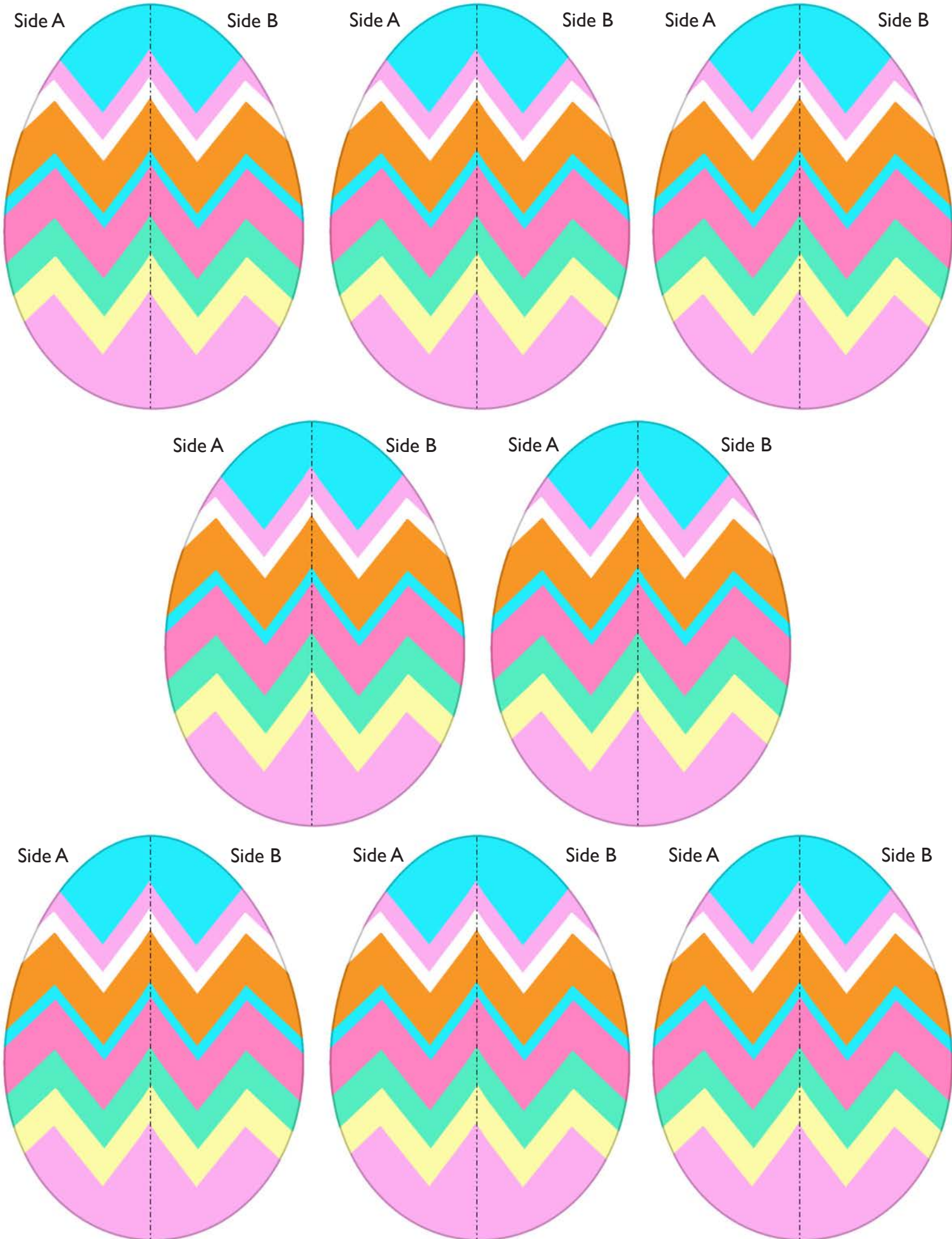
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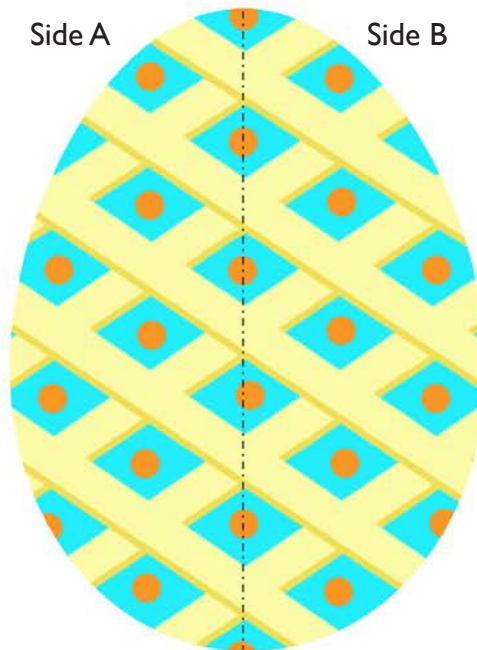
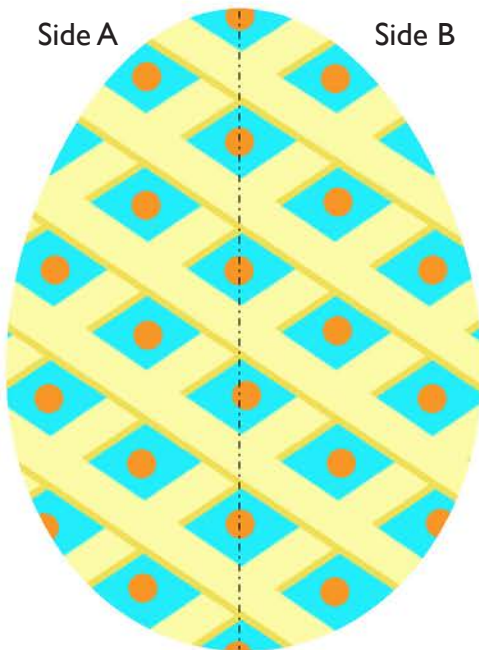
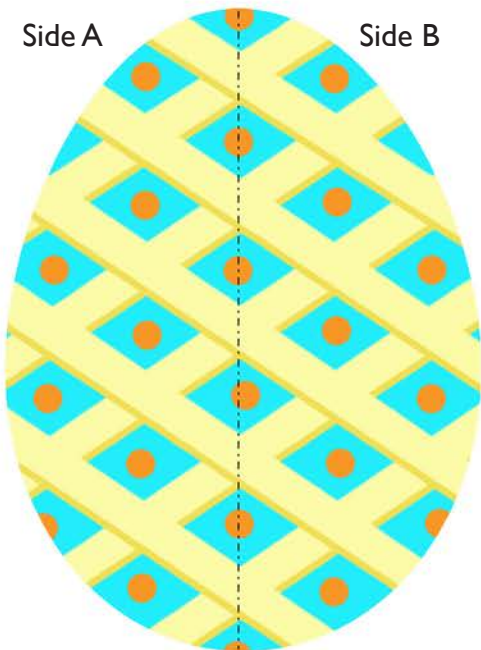
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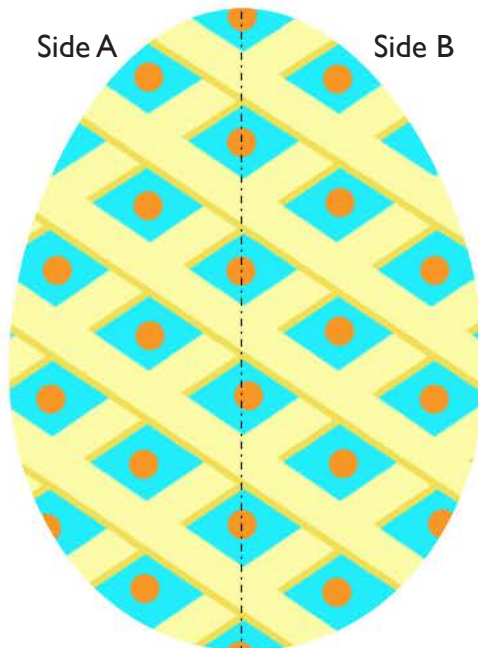
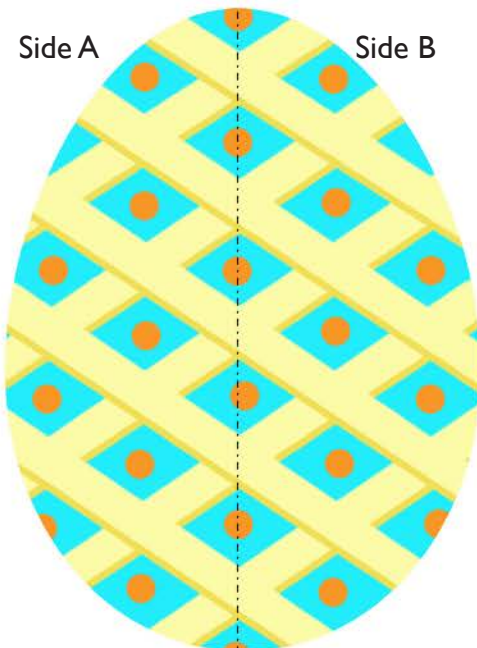


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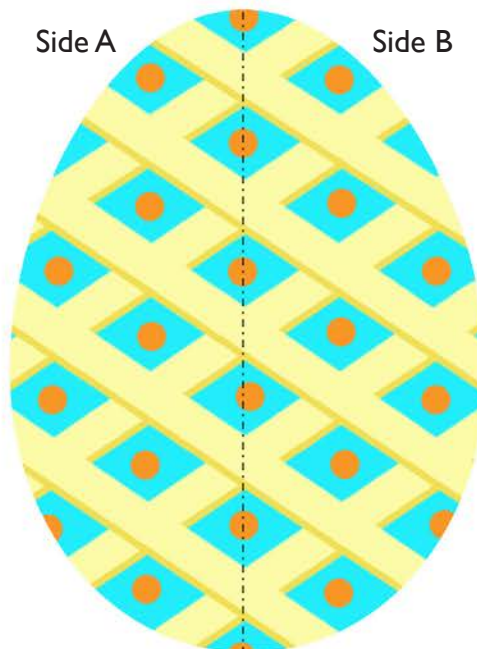
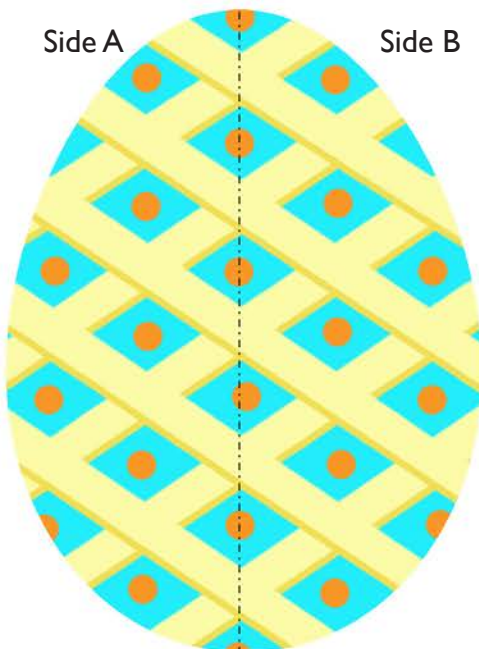
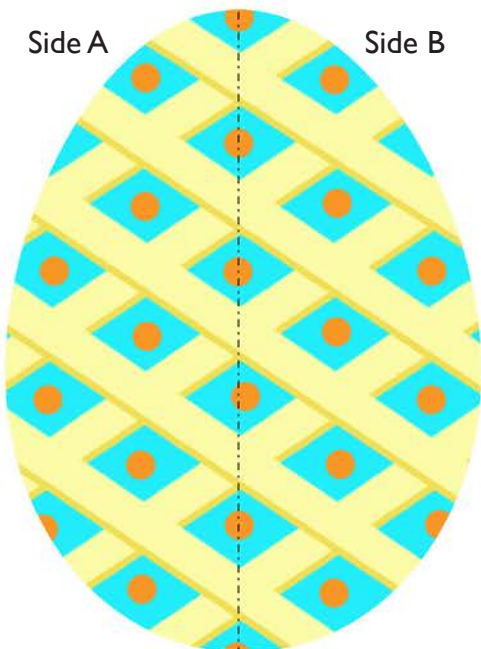
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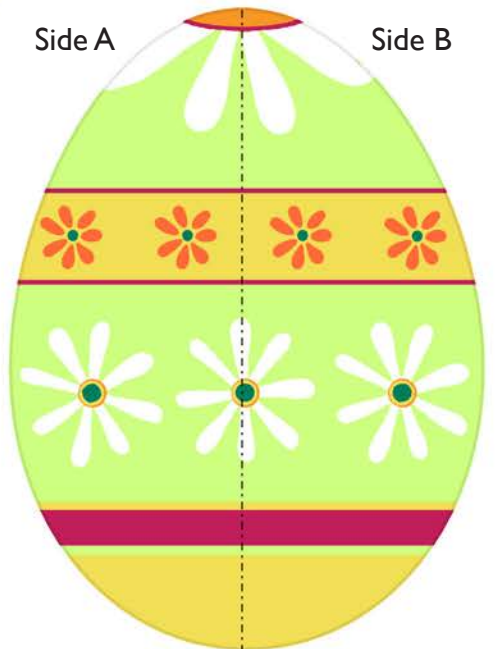
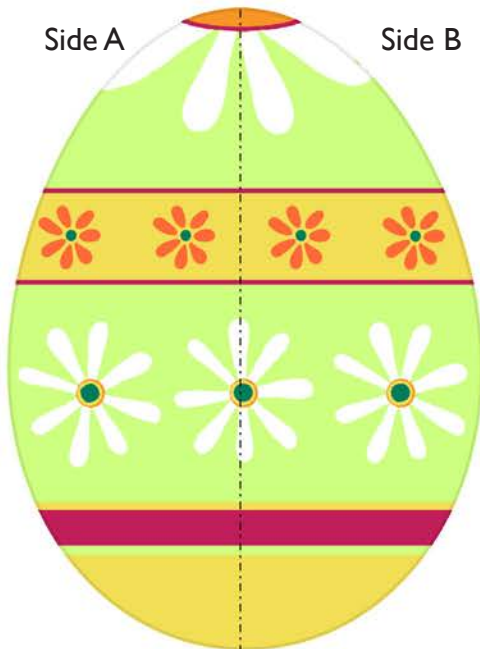
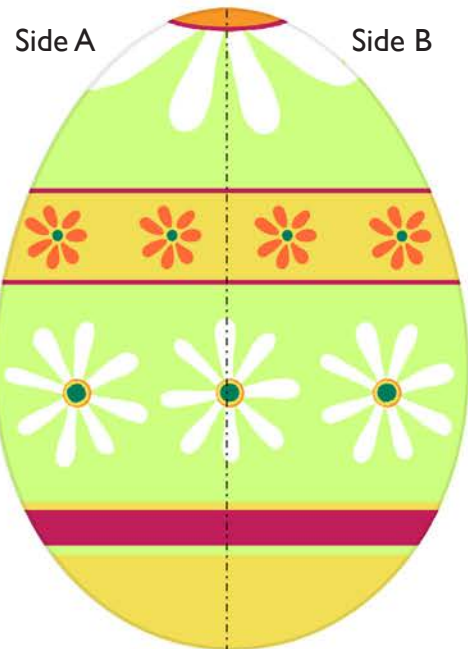
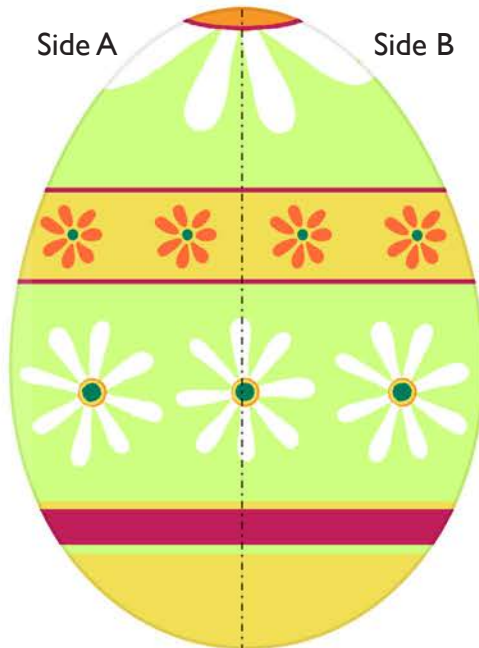
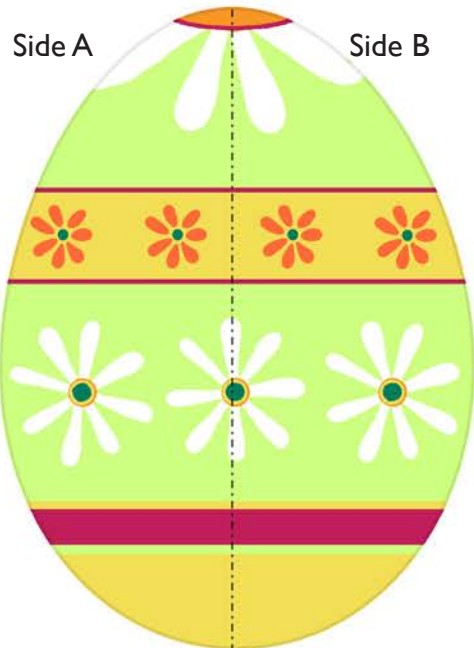
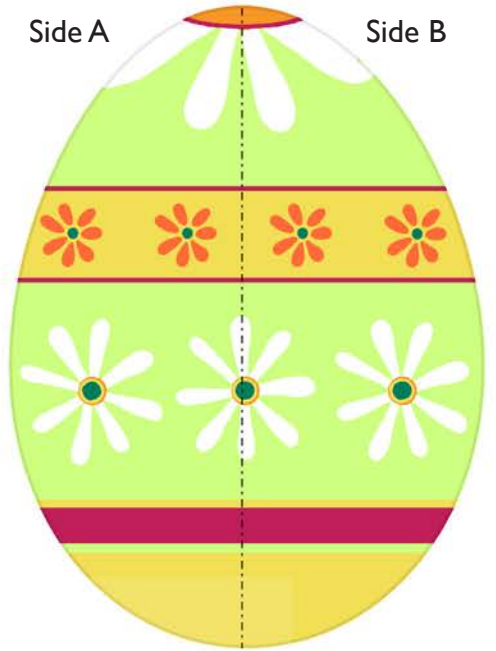
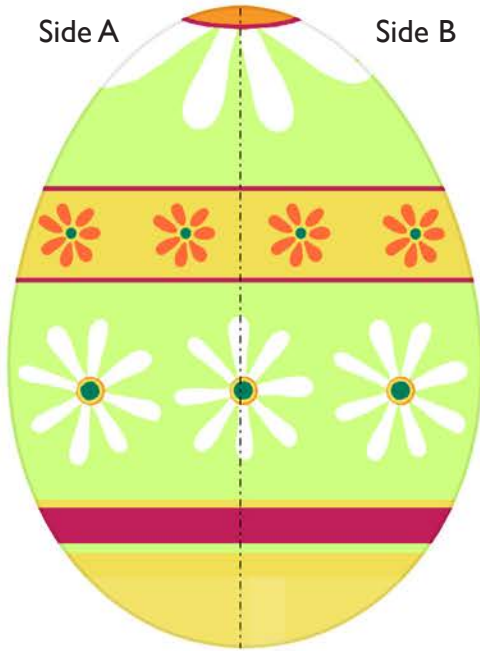
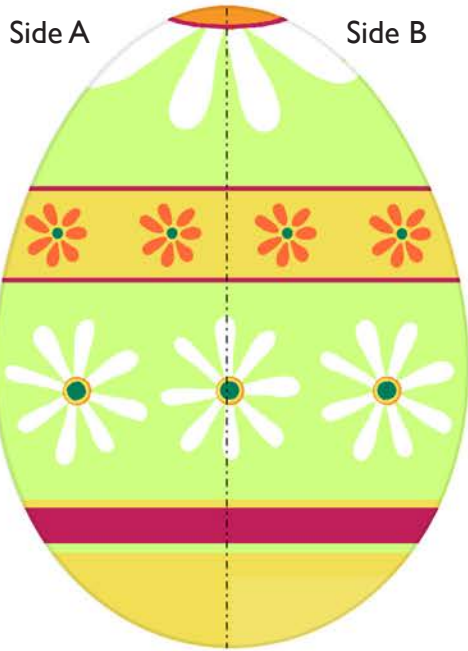
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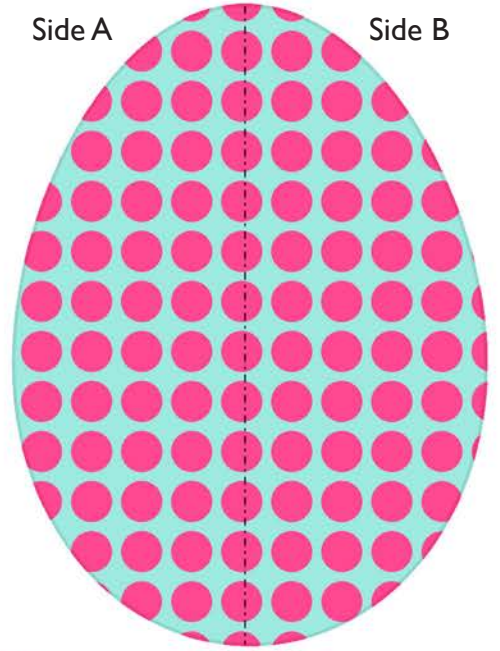
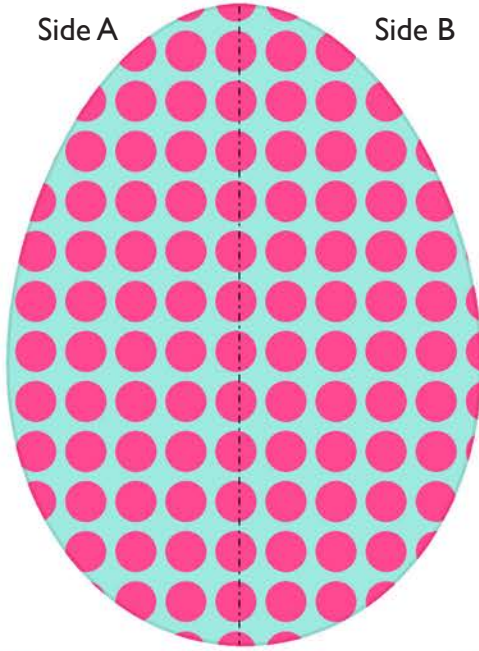
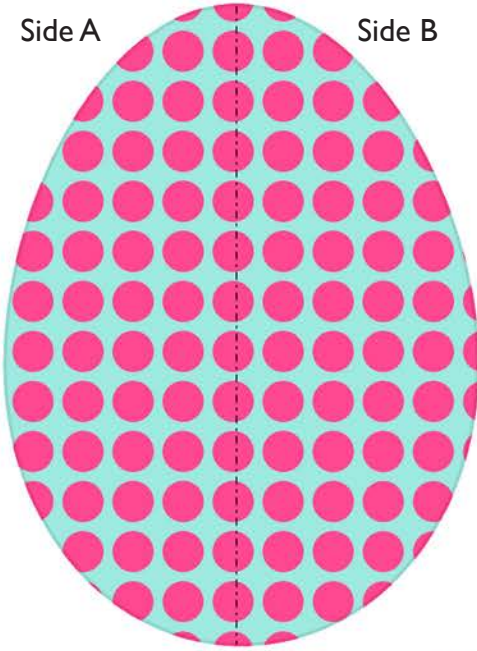
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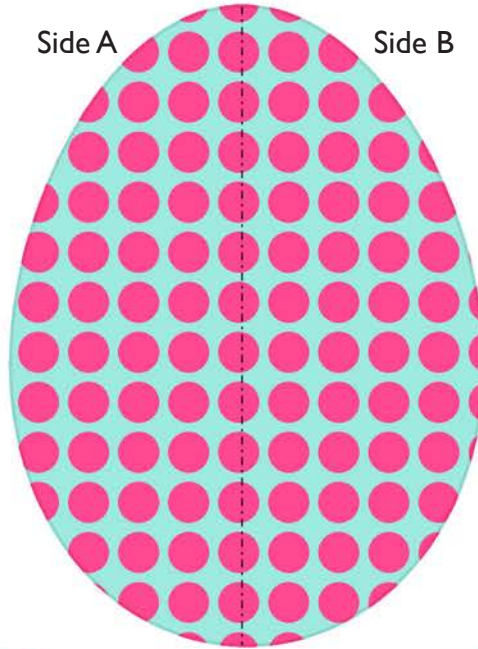
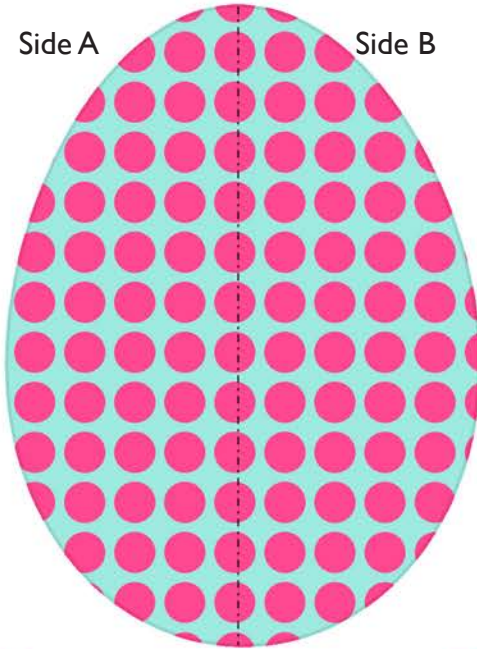


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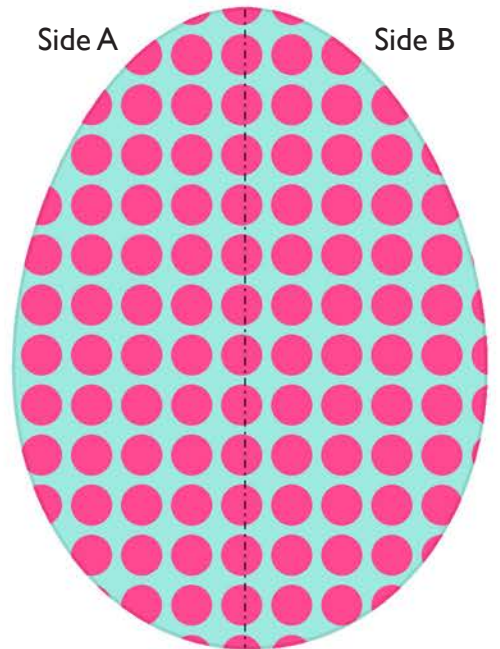
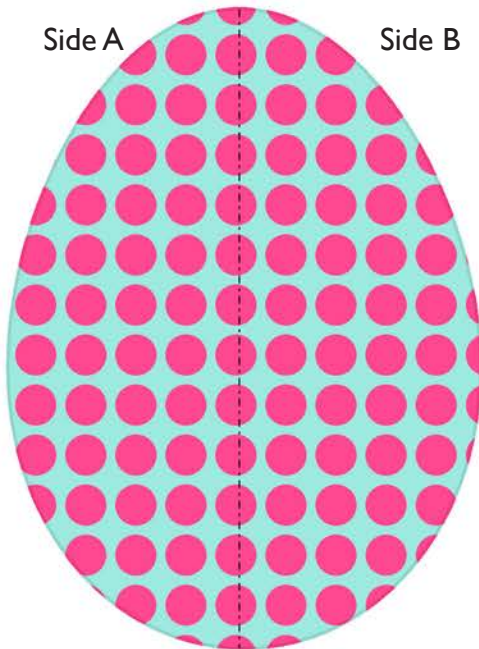
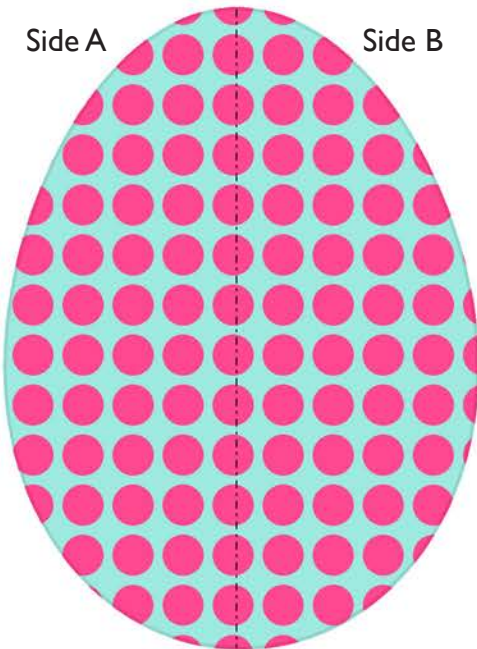
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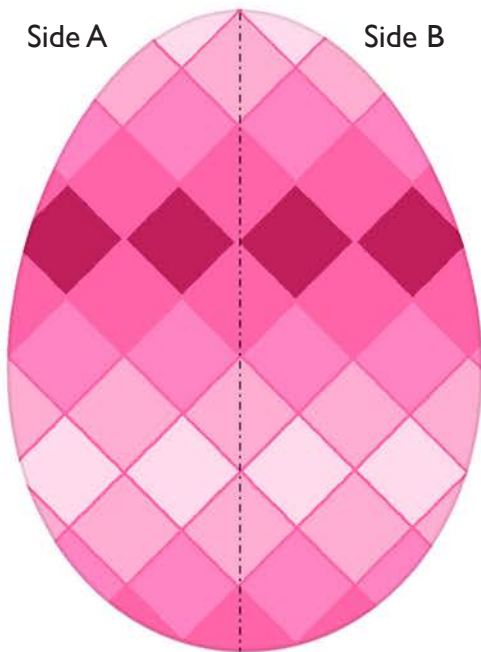
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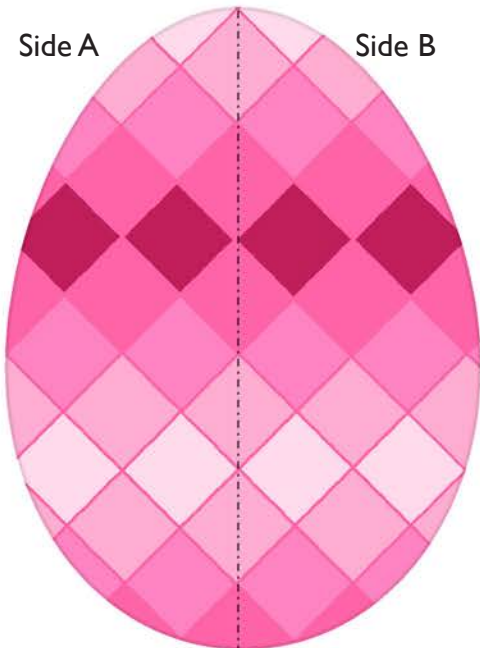


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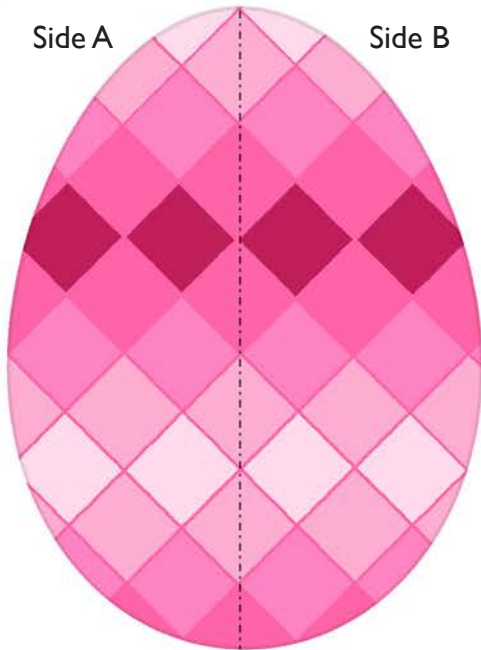
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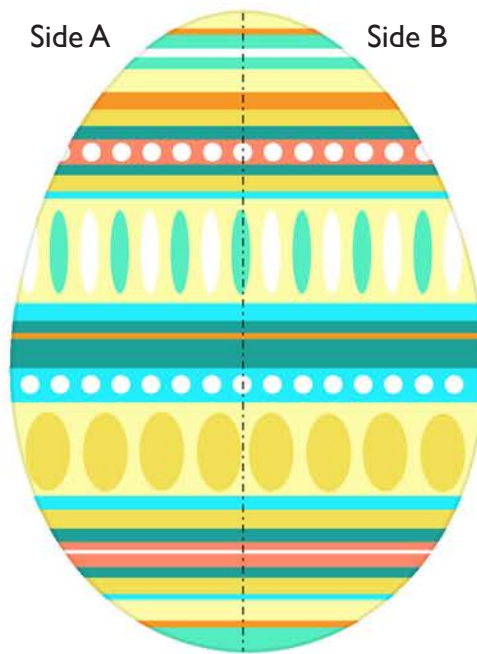
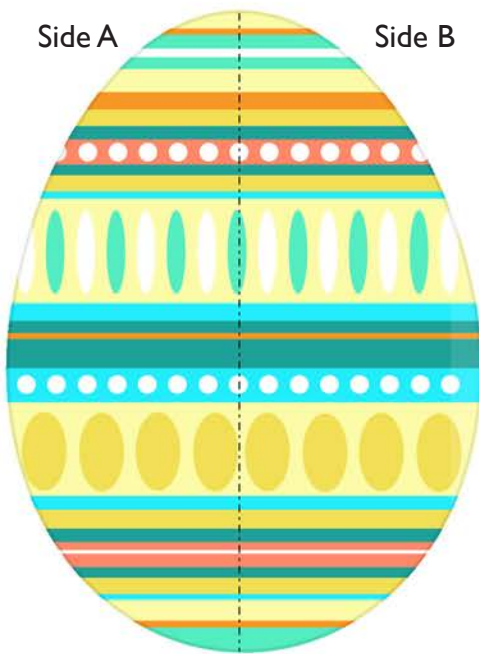
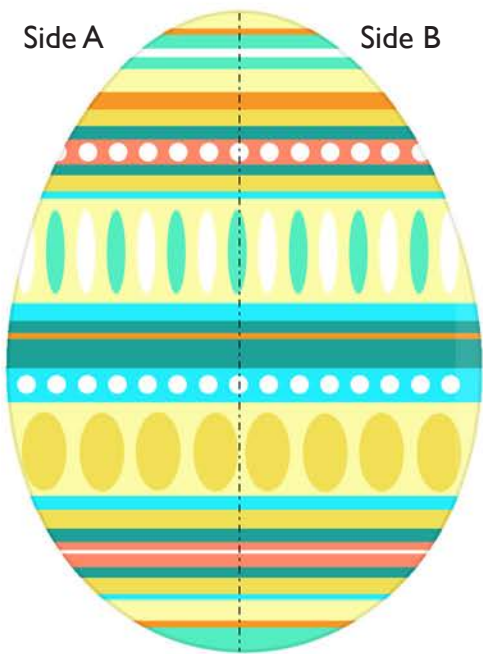
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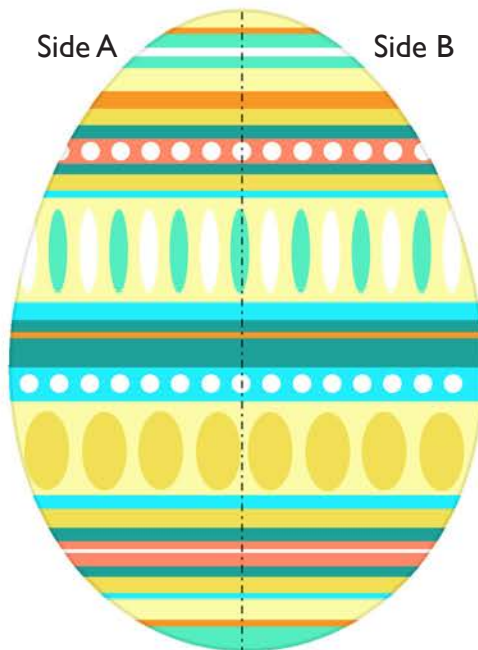
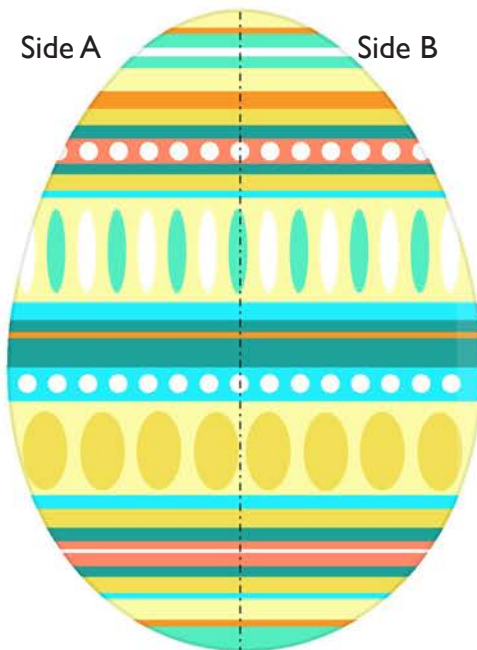


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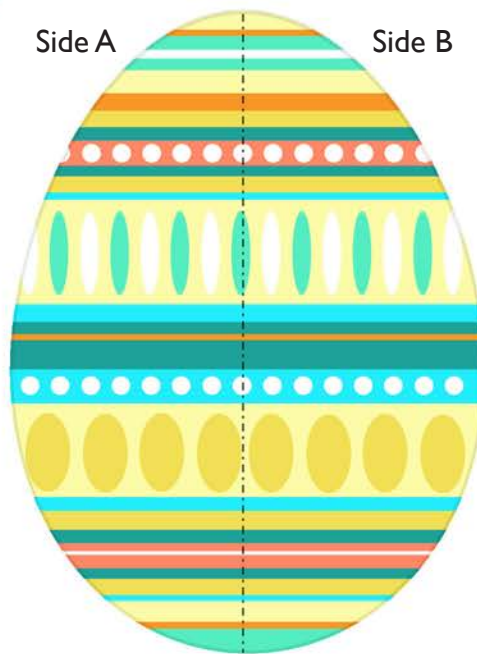
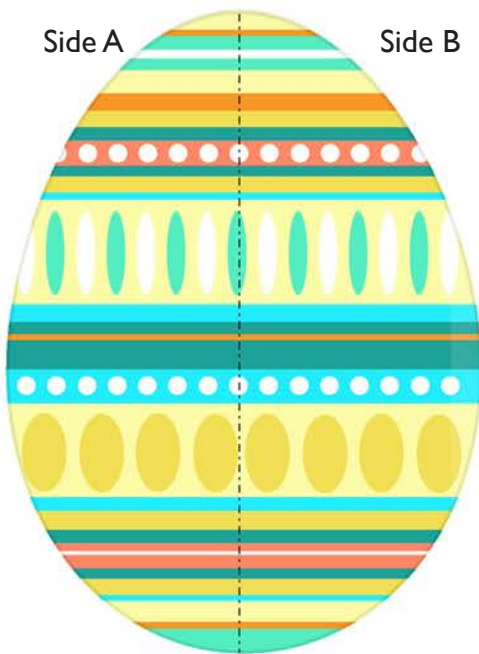
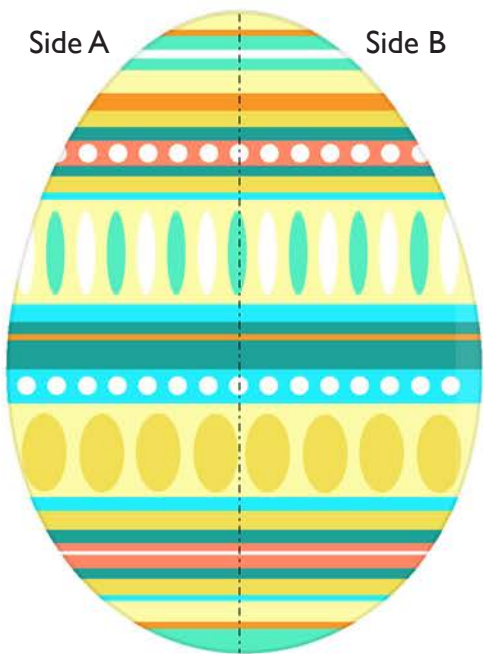
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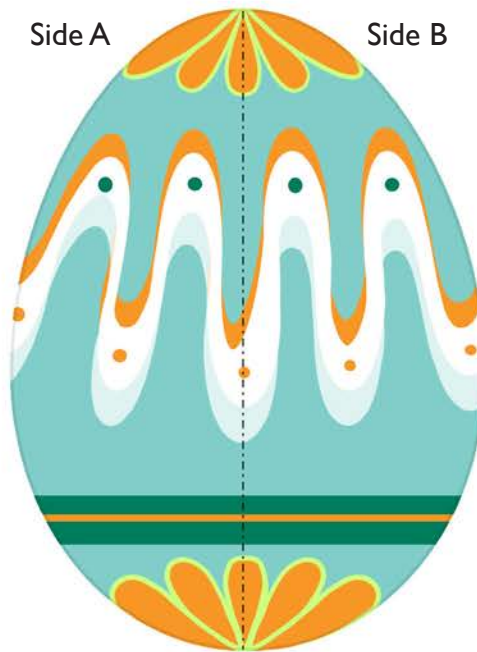
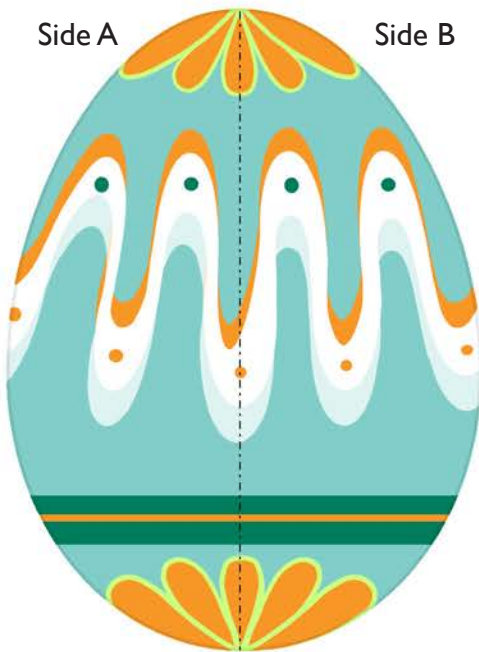
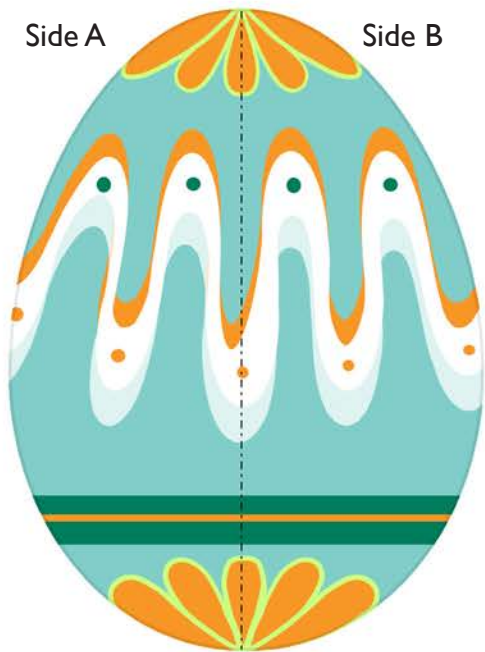
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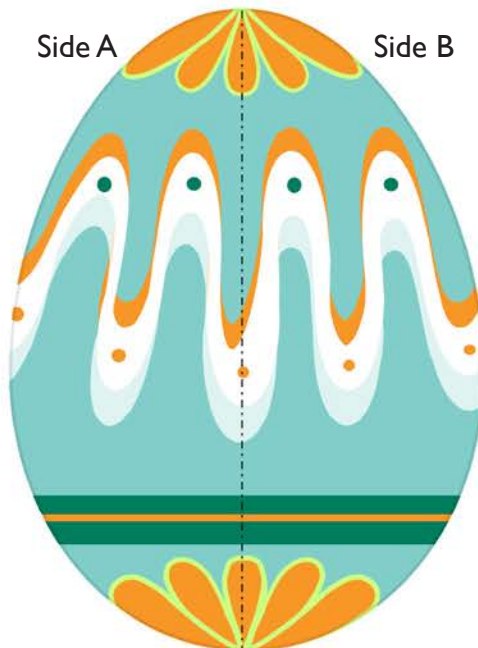
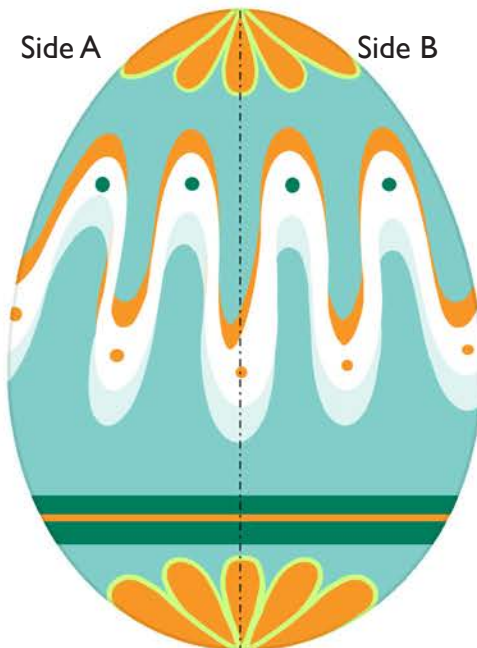


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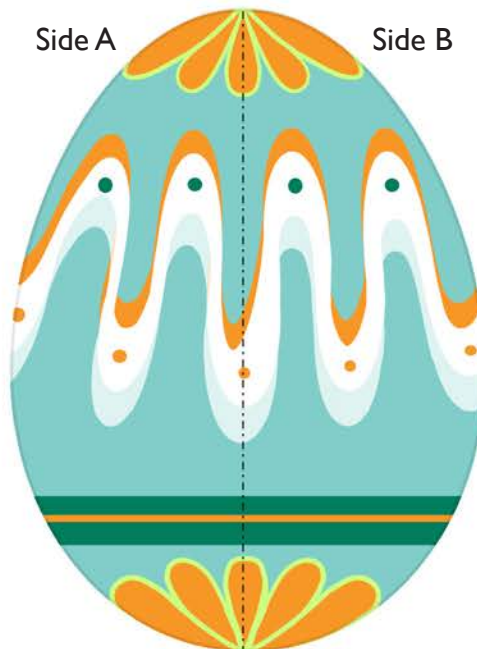
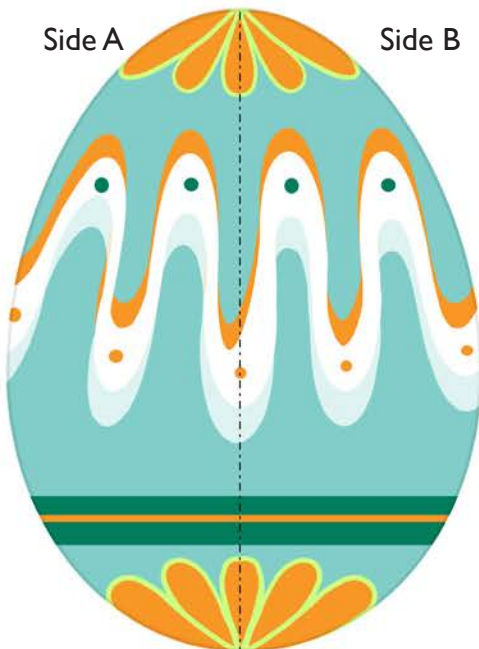
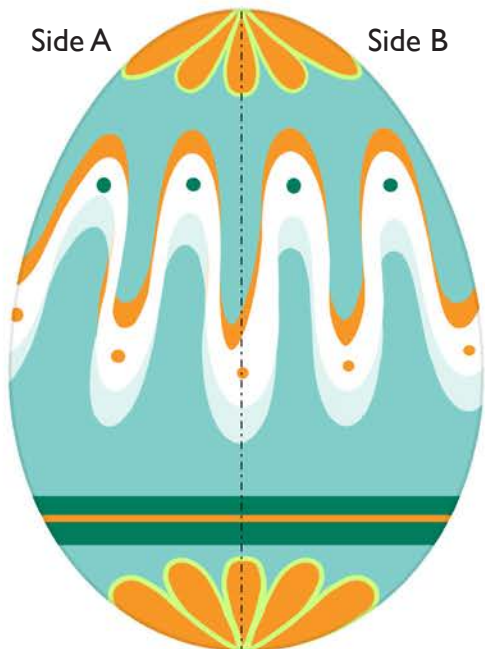
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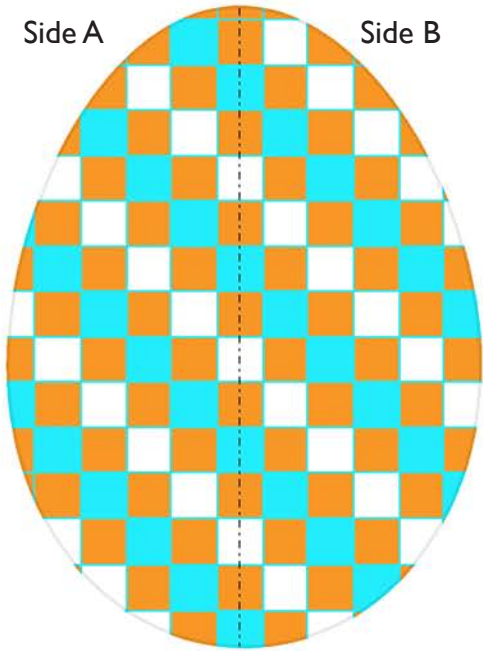
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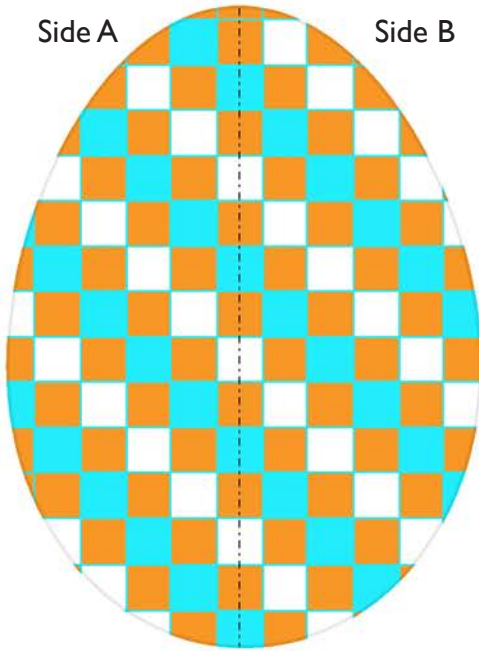
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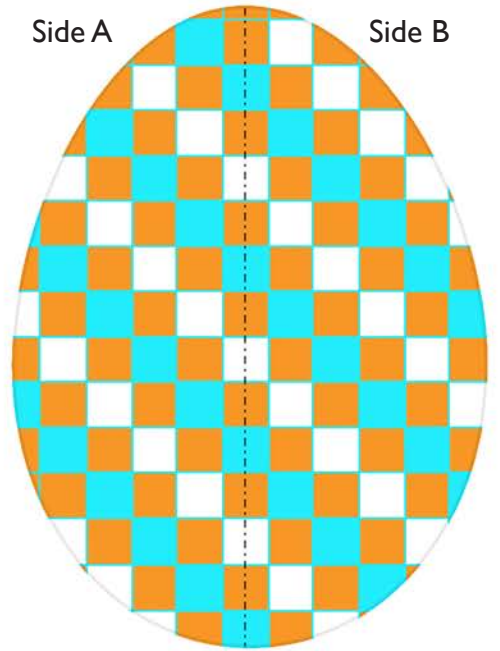
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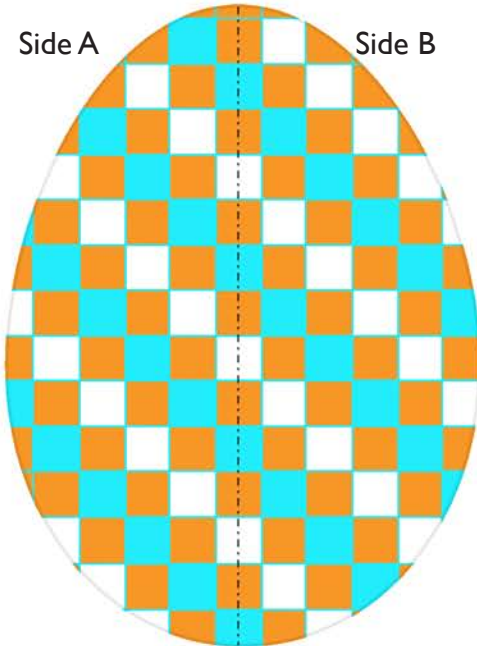
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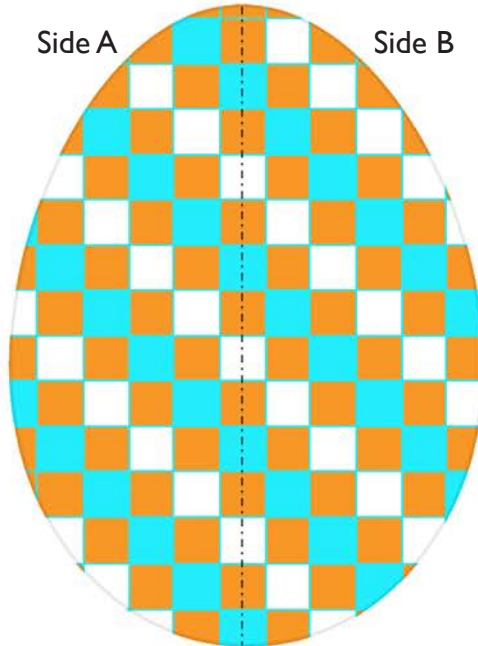
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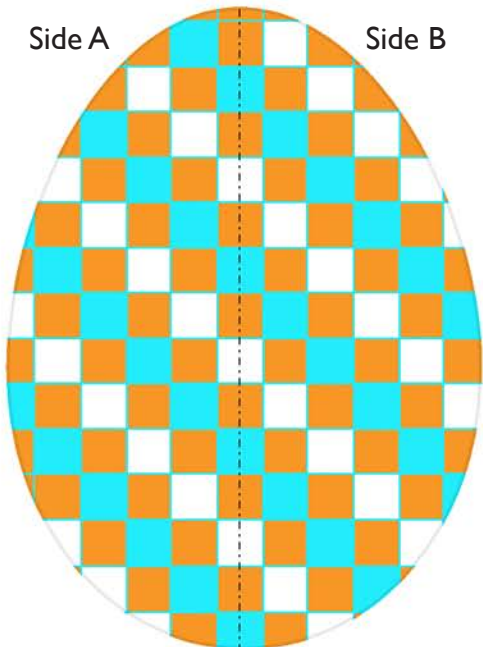
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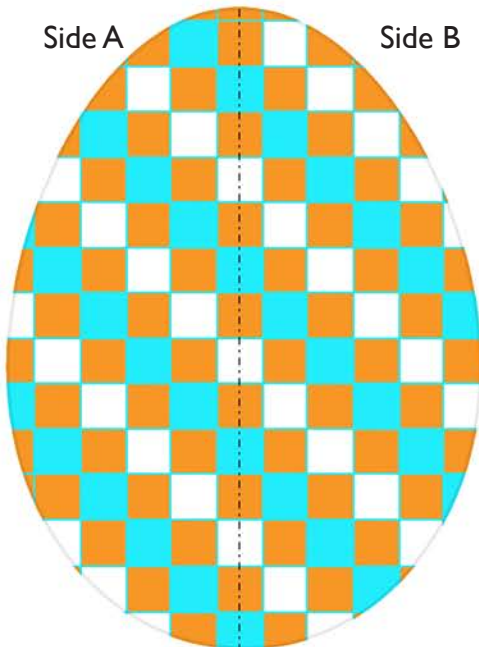
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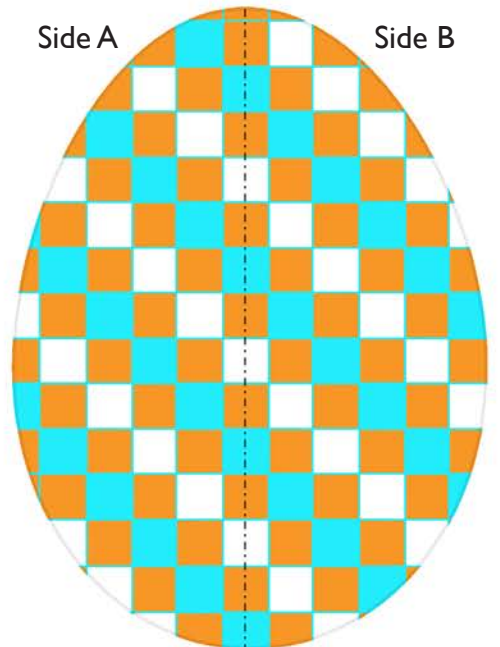
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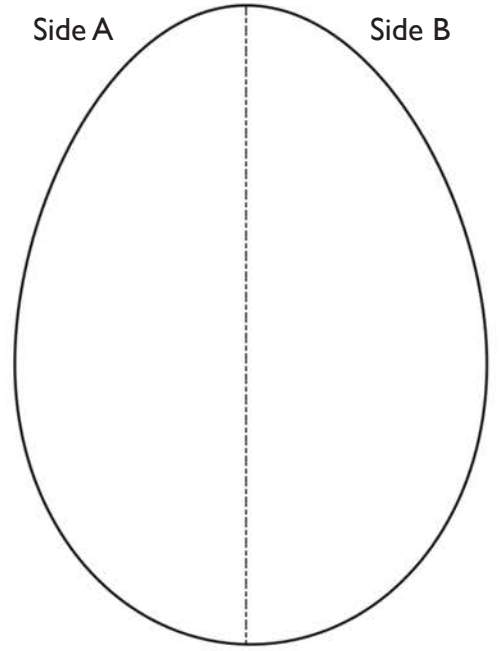
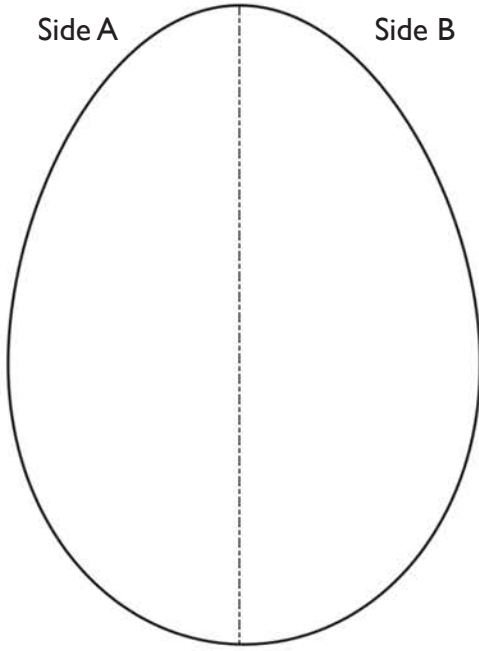
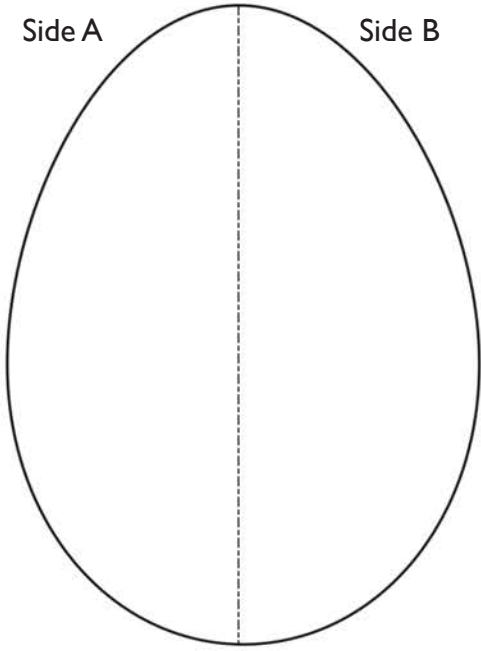
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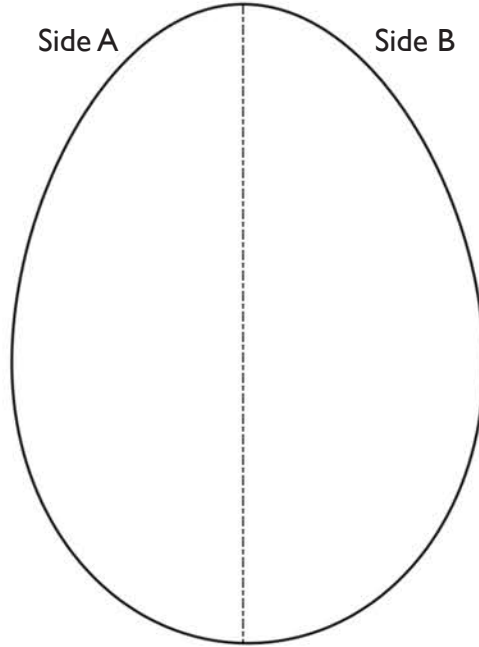
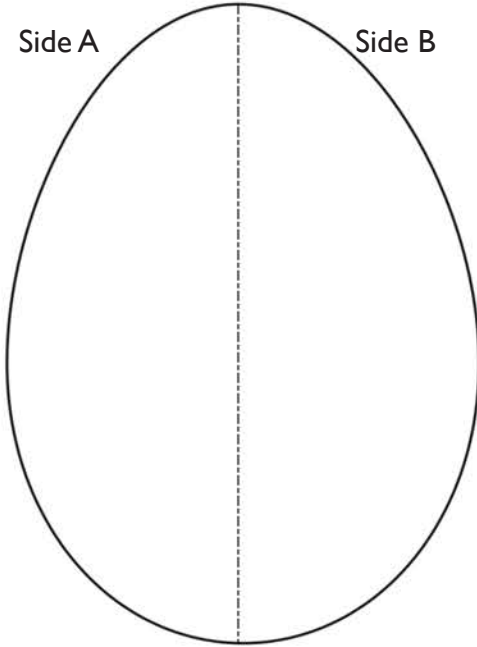


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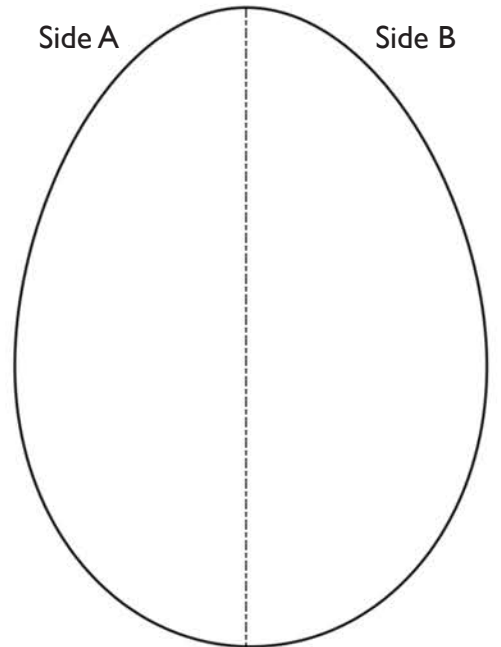
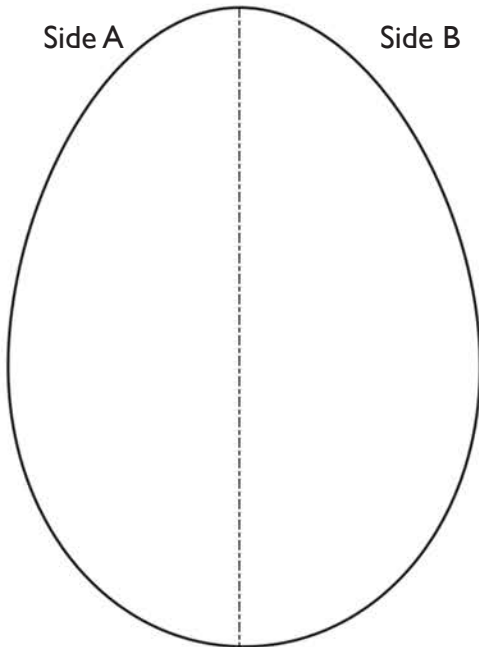
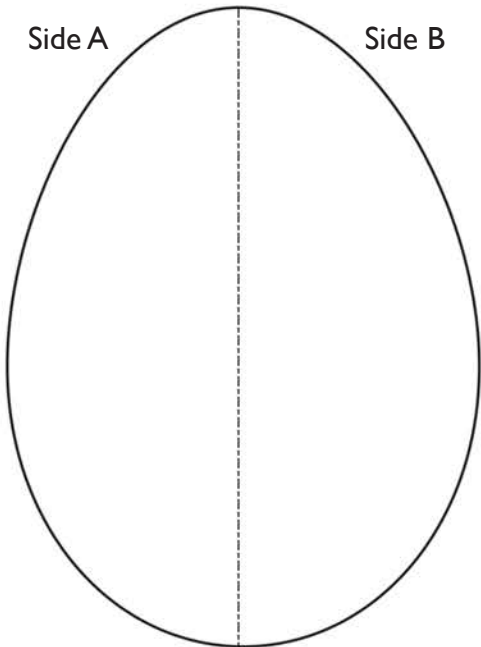
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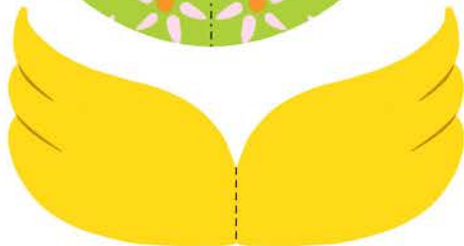
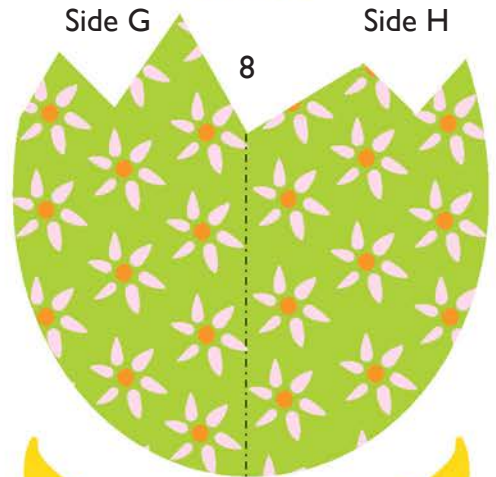
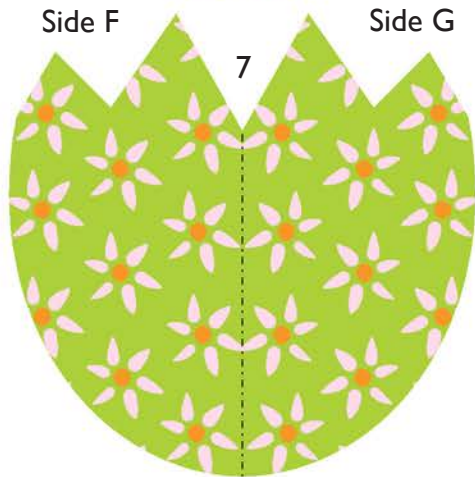
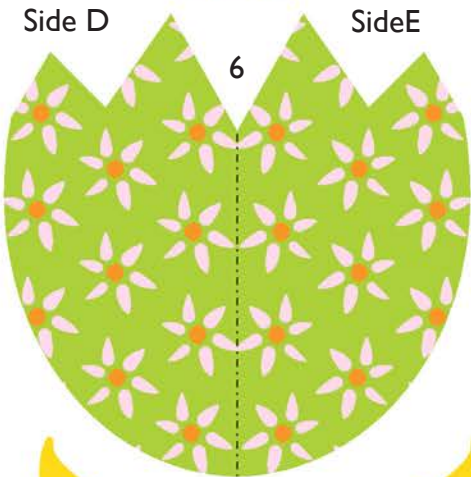
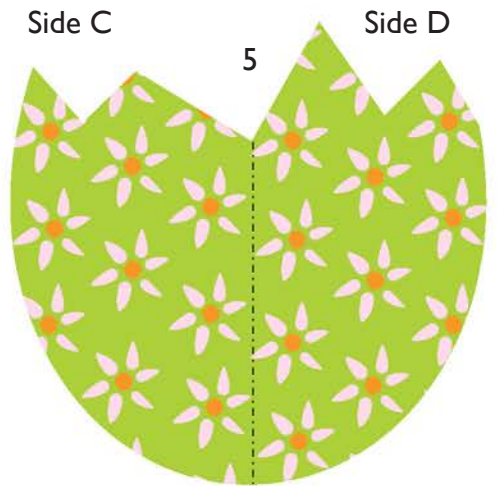
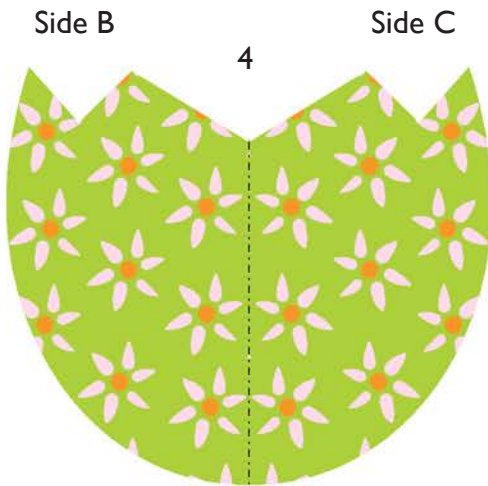
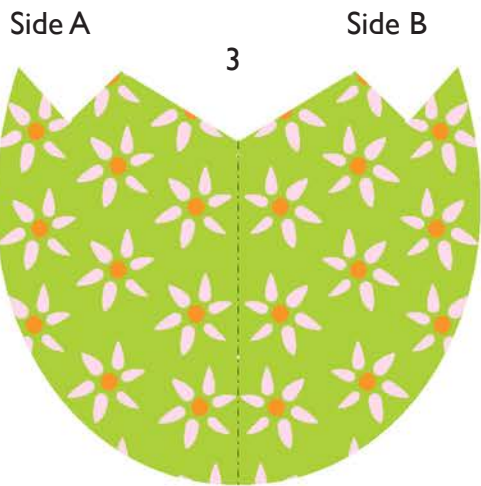
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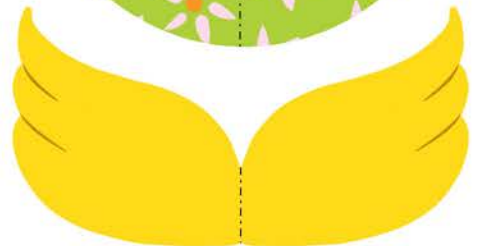
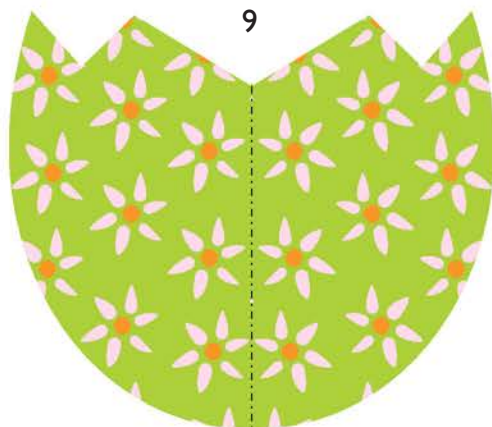
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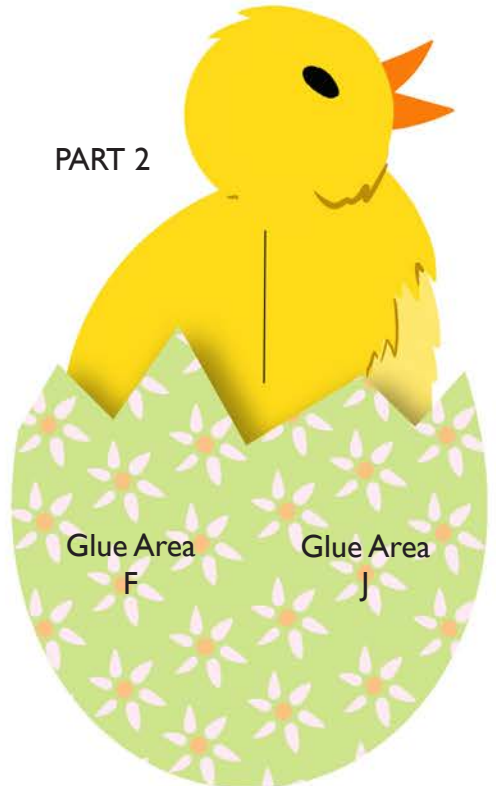
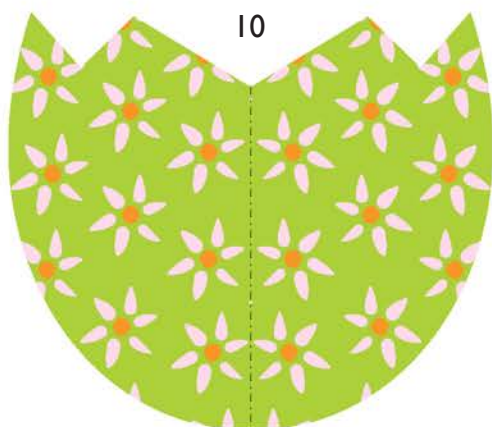
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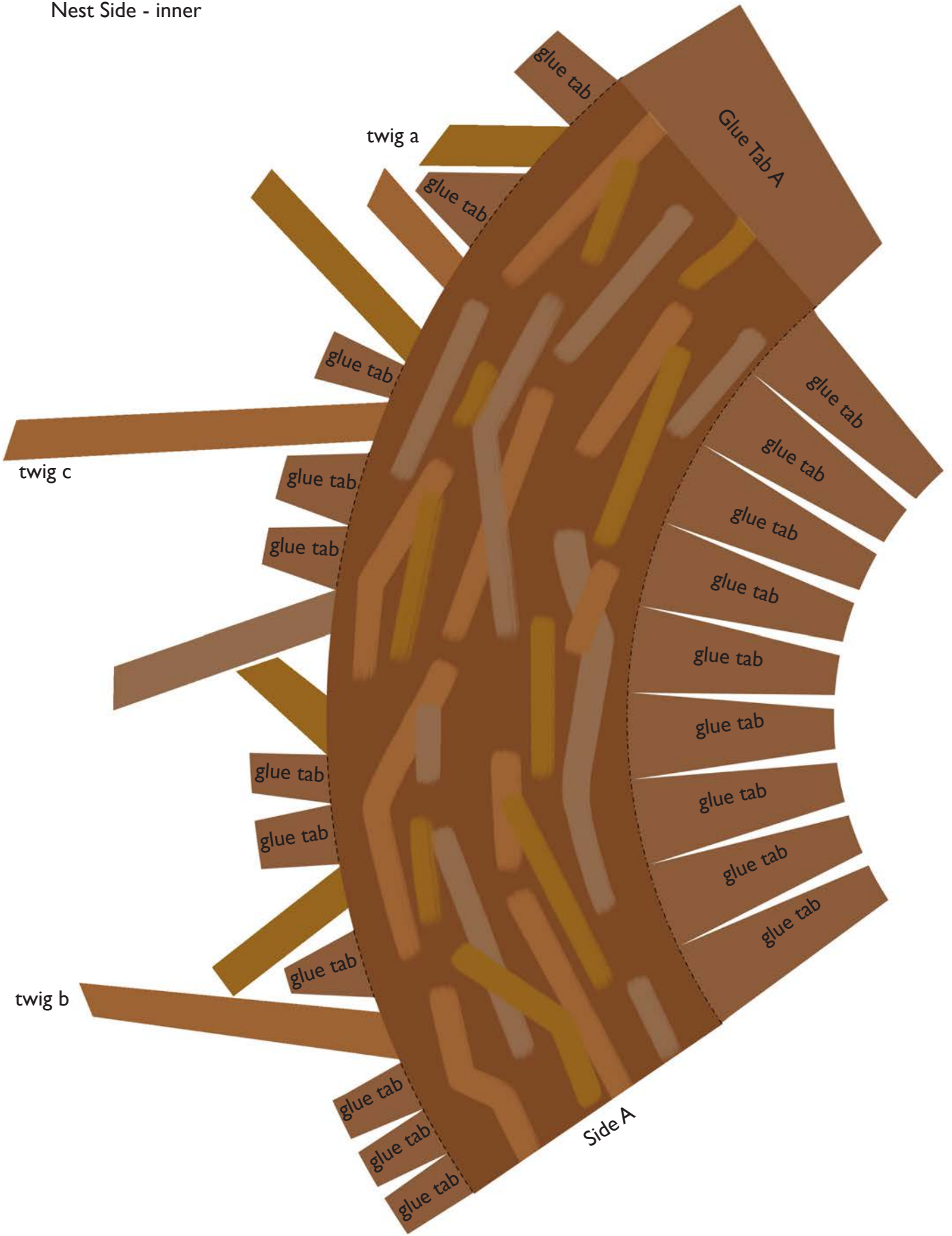


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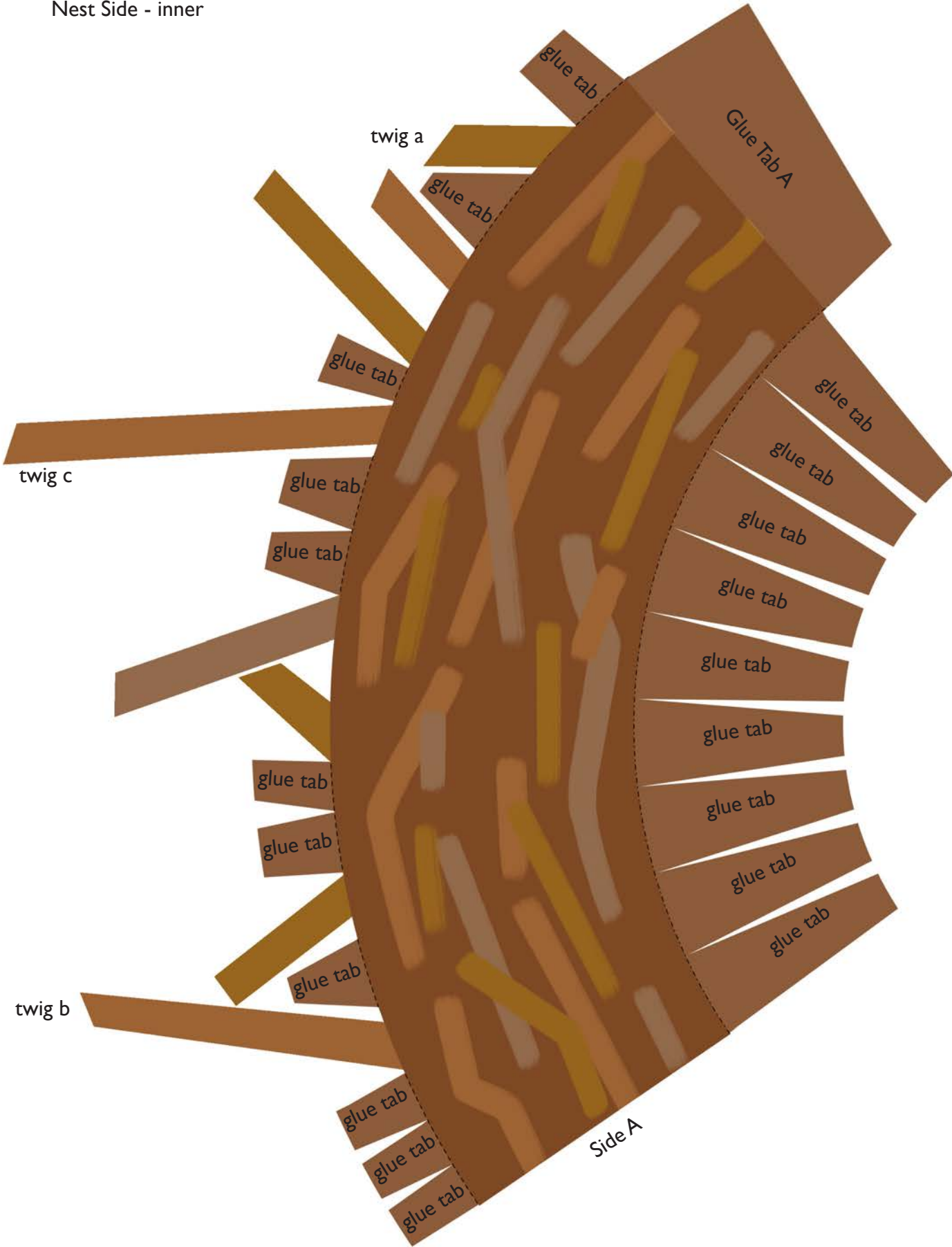
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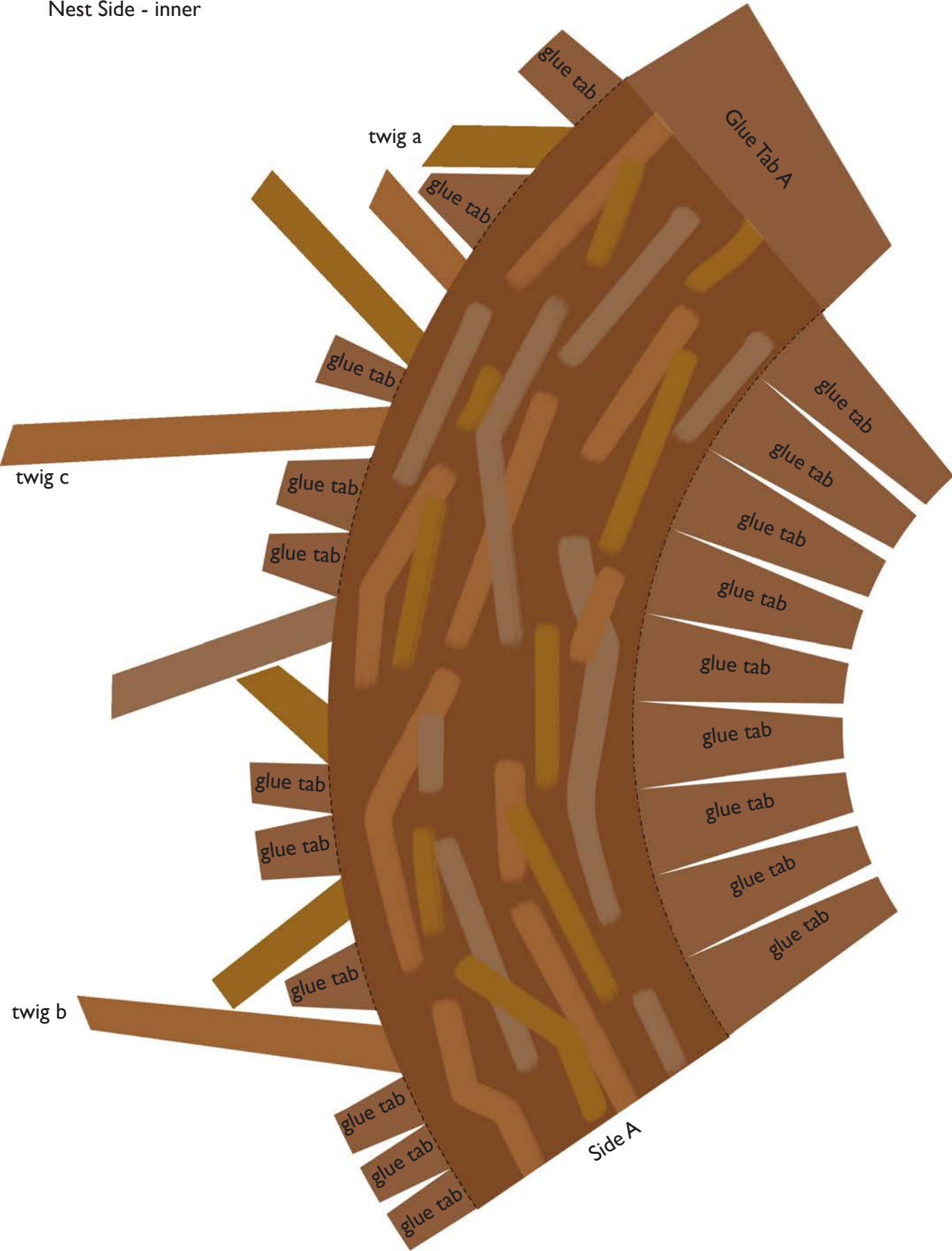
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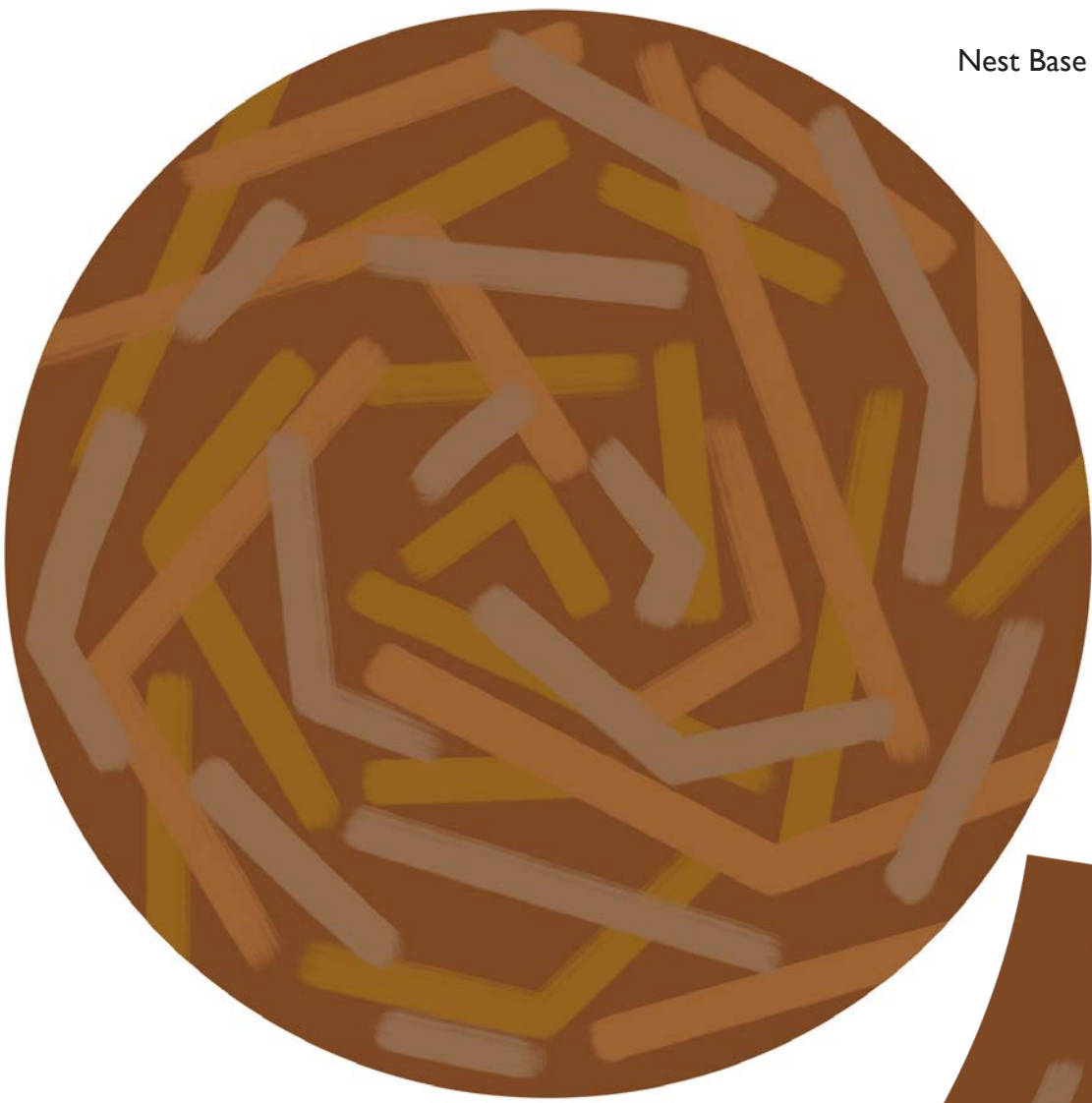


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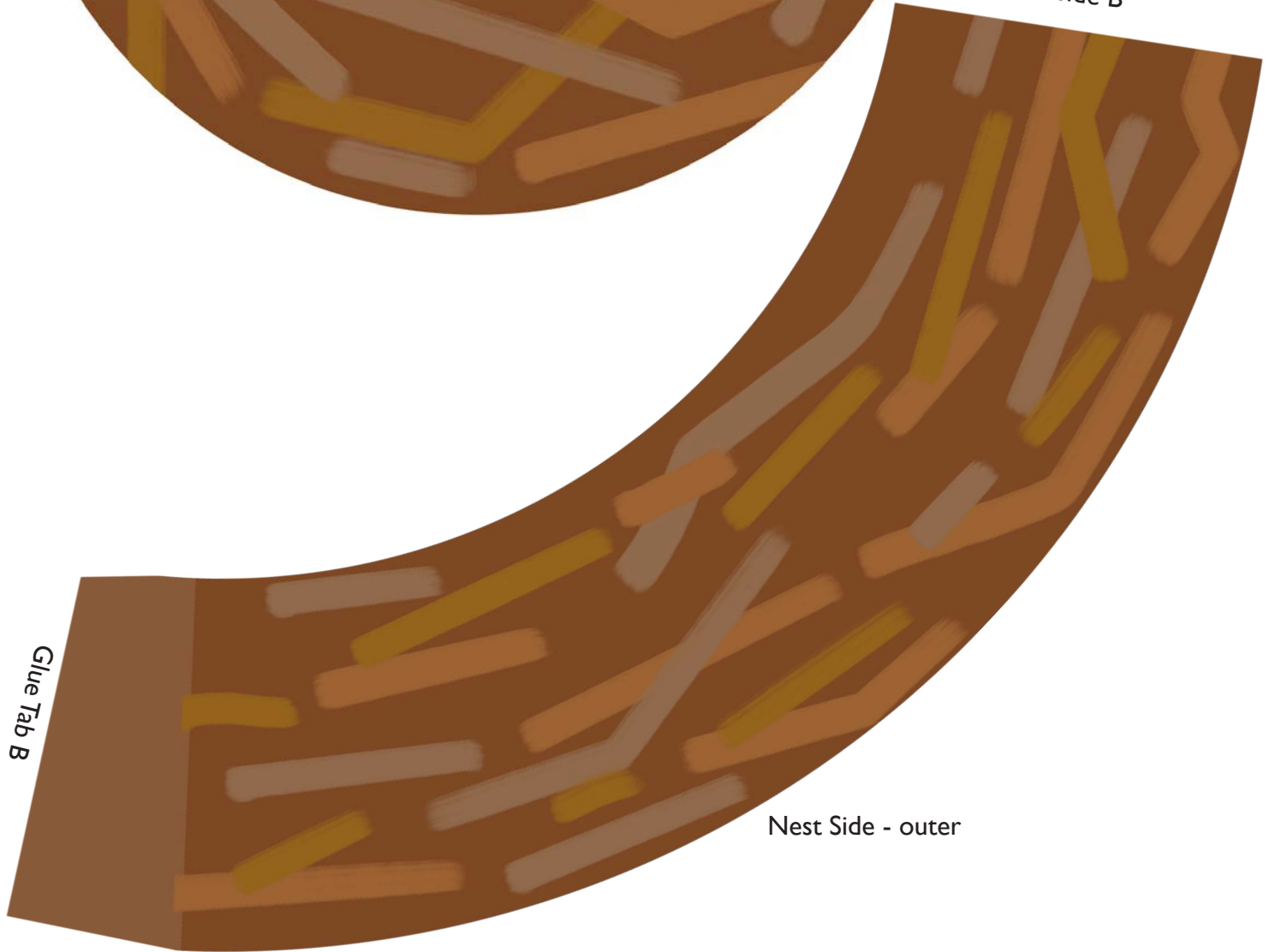


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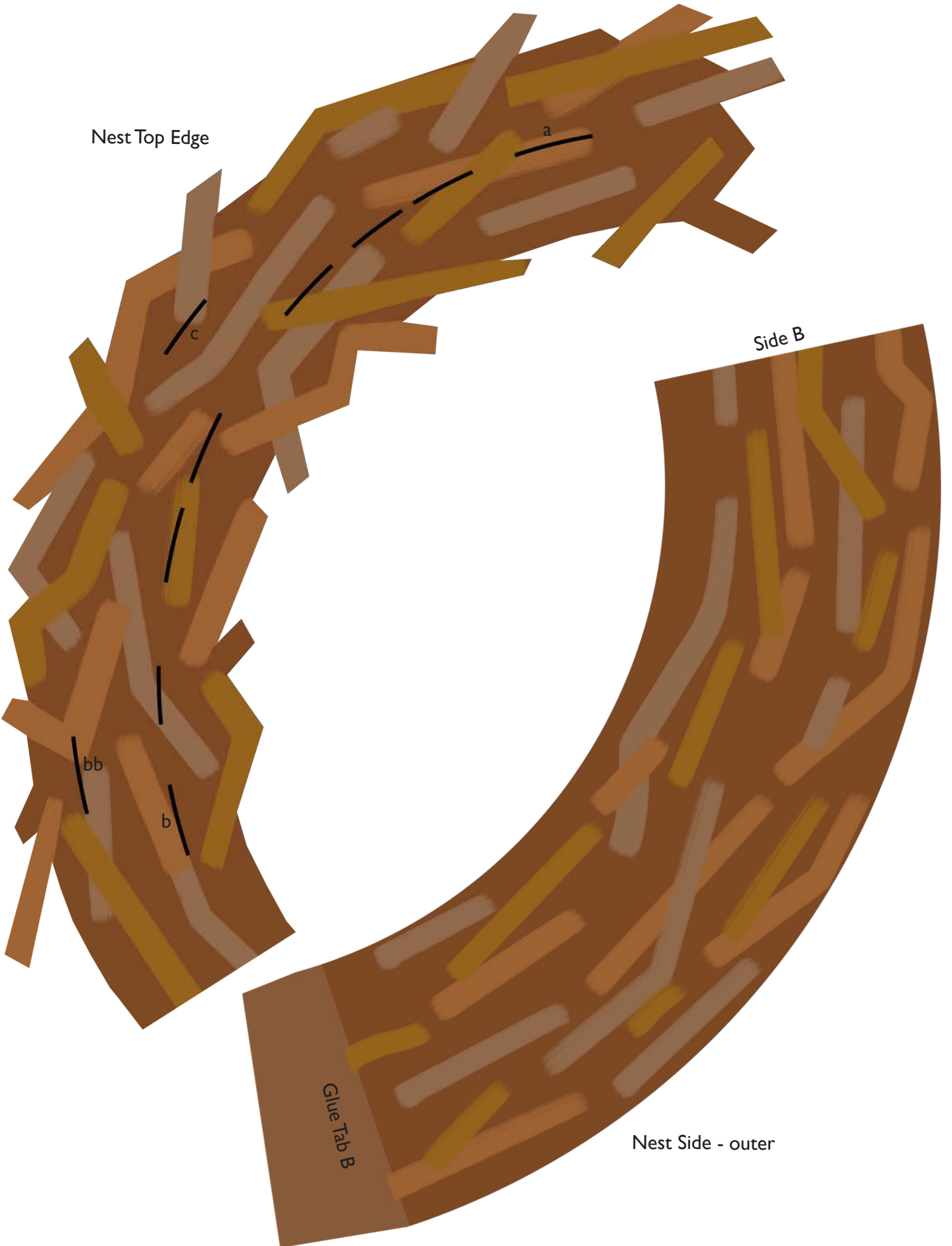
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Side B

Glue Tab B

Nest Side - outer



Nest Top Edge

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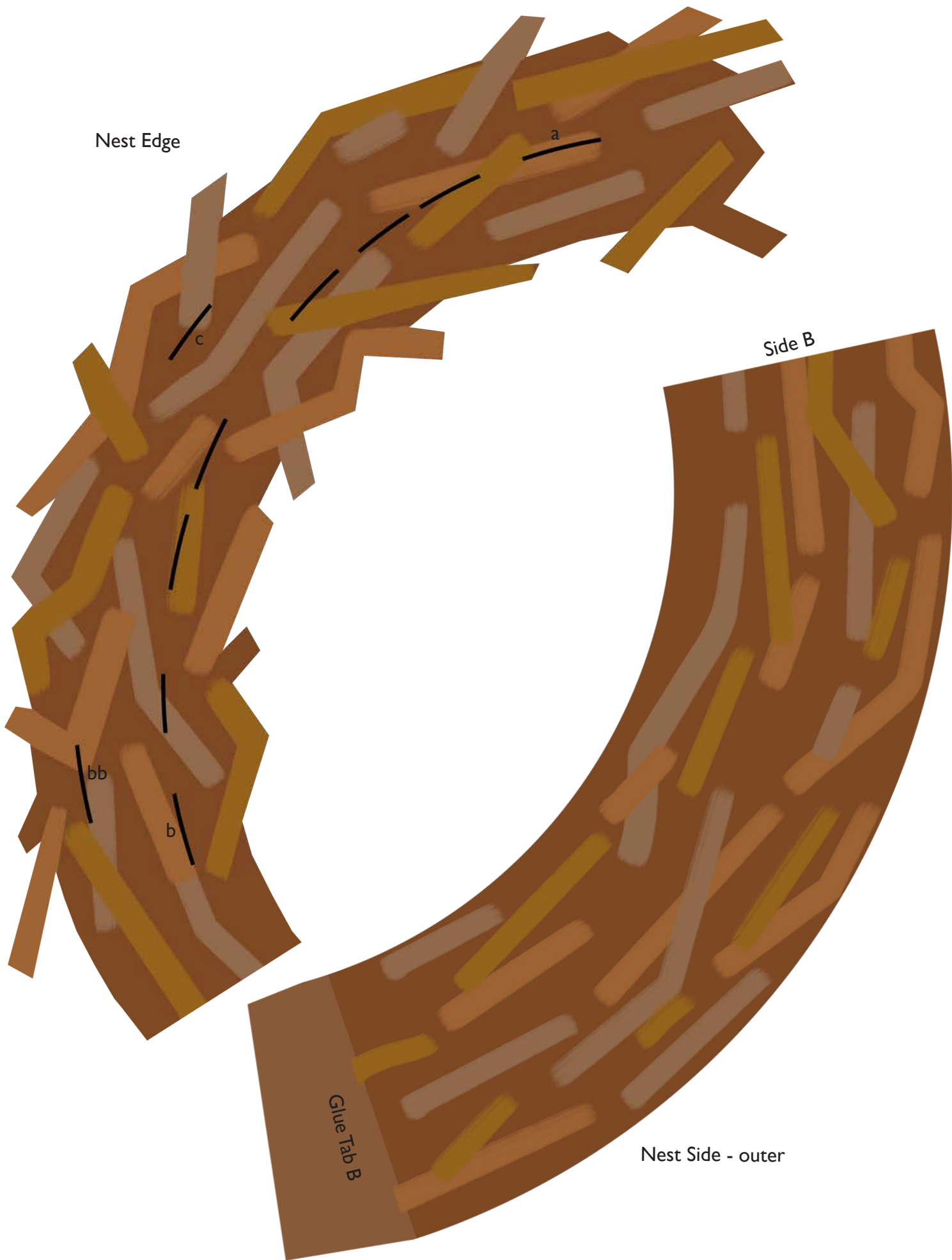
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Nest Side - outer



Nest Edge

