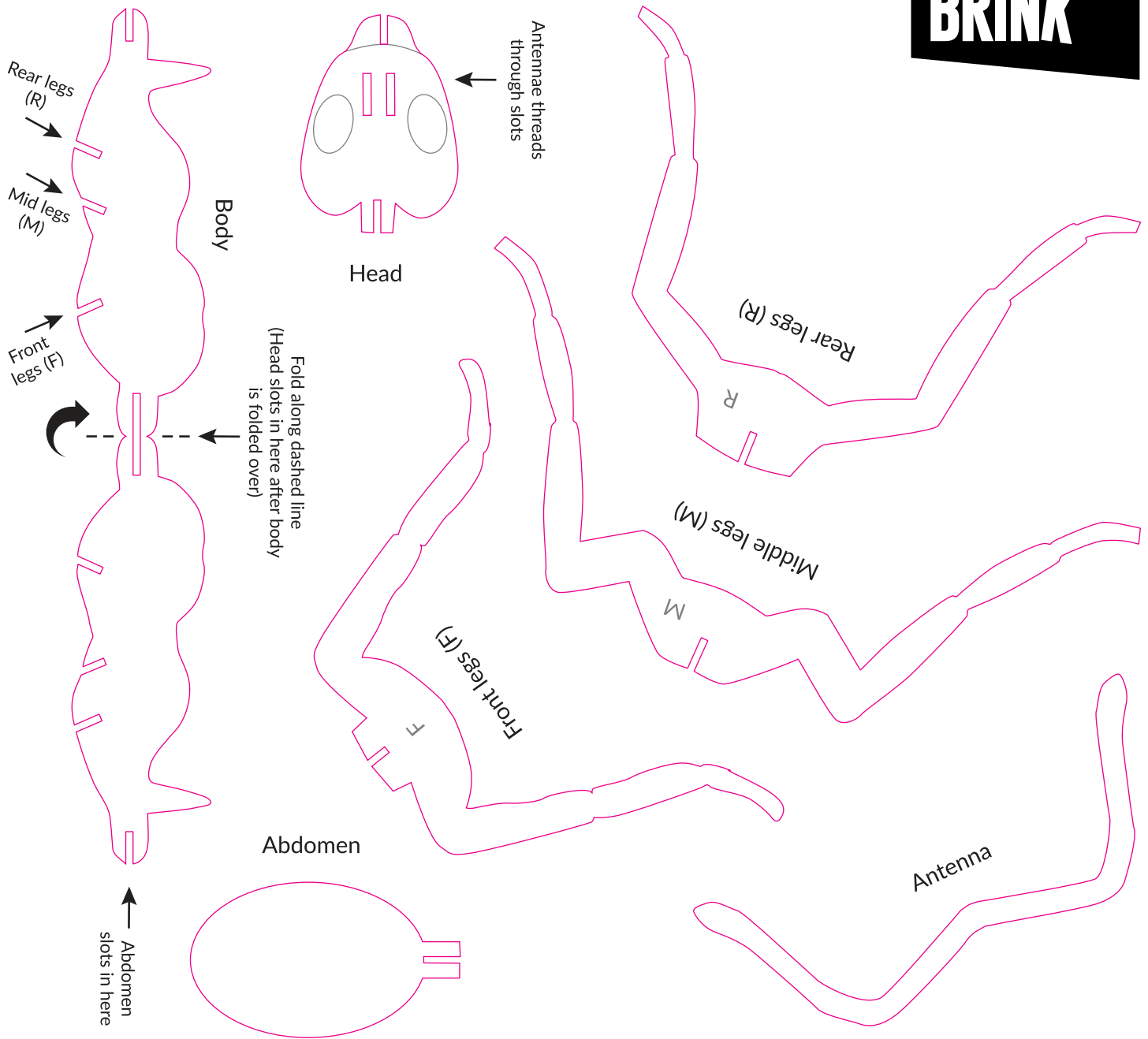


Build your own Narrow-headed Ant

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Antastic 3D Narrow-headed Ant model

The Narrow-headed Ant (*Formica exsecta*) is England's rarest ant. It used to live on heaths and moorland edges in southern England, though survives today at only one place in Devon. But you can make your own Narrow-headed Ant to take home.

The Back from the Brink project, through Buglife and Devon Wildlife Trust, are working to protect the ant and help its recovery at former and new sites nearby.

Feel free to photocopy more ant templates to create a whole colony. There are about 1000 Narrow-headed Ants in a nest – can you make that many? Just 999 to go!

Ant assembly instructions

- 1** Colour in (in real life the ants are brown and orange, but you can also be creative!)
- 2** Press out the parts
- 3** Fold the body section over along the dashed line to give a double thickness
- 4** Thread the antennae through the slots in the front of the head
- 5** Attach the 3 pairs of legs (front, mid and rear), head and abdomen to the body, as in the picture

Optional extras

The legs can be bent and lightly folded at the joints, to pose your ant.

Stick on googly eyes if you like.

Your ant might be able to carry some items in its mouth.

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