

Origami Decorations



Items needed (quantity per creation)

- Light Card 120gsm approx (You can use regular origami paper but it won't hold its shape as well and will bend easily when it's glued together)
- Wire (ribbon could be used for this step also)

Optional

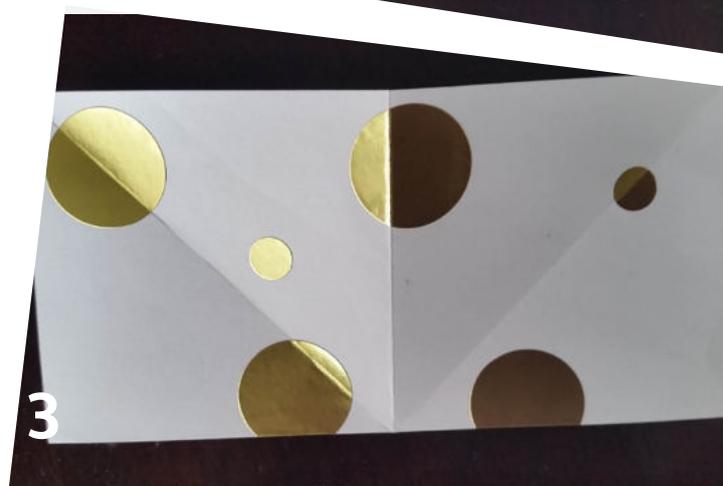
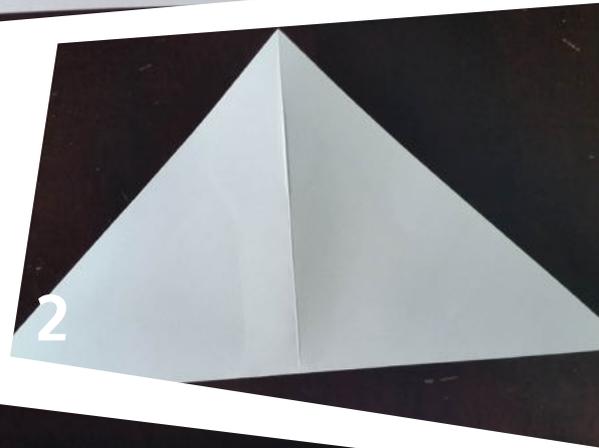
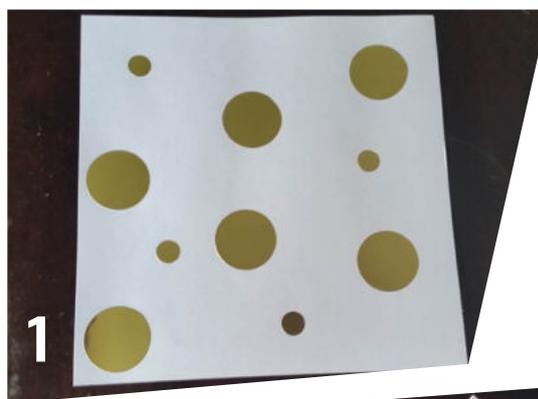
- Embellishments

Instructions

The important part of this one is to fold exactly as explained to make the final gluing stage much easier.

- 1- Cut card into a square. Ours was 14x14cm but it depends how large you want your final product to be.
- 2- Start with your design side up. Fold your paper diagonally from one corner to the other. Unfold and fold it the other way.
- 3- Unfold, turn over then fold the bottom part to the top, unfold then fold left side to the right. Unfold. At this point your paper should look like the image.

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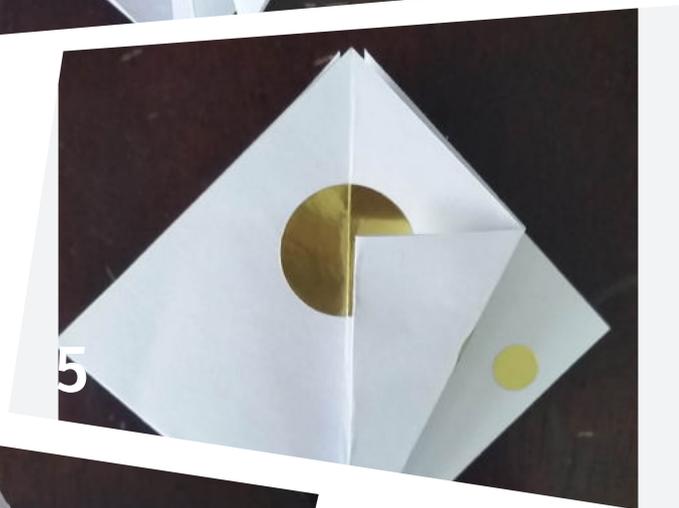


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4- Turn over so the design side is facing up again and gently press the sides towards the middle and fold the top part towards you, once folded it should look like the image.



5- Turn it 180° and fold the sides into the center. Do this on both sides.

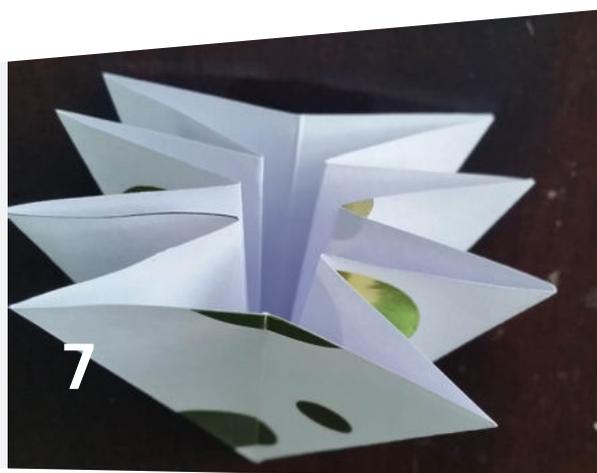


6- When you're finished folding, cut the top part off.

7- Here comes the tricky part. Unfold what you have done so far and refold with one part in followed by one out to make a concertina fold like the image.

8- With the open side facing up fold the corners down so the meet the centerline. Then unfold them.

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9- Fully open up your creation with the design side down and fold each of the newly created folds inwards.

10- Now you want to make the other half of the diamond, repeat all the previous steps so that you have two pieces that look like this.

11- Put some glue on the corner parts you just folded and gently press half the diamond to the other half. (You want to turn the two parts so you have one "top" facing one "valley") This part takes patience and I found it easier to glue a few and leave it to set for a few minutes then continue to work around.

12- Next take your wire and thread it through the top and out the bottom. Make a hook on the top half and a small hook on the other end. Alternatively you can hot glue a ribbon loop on the top to hang it.

