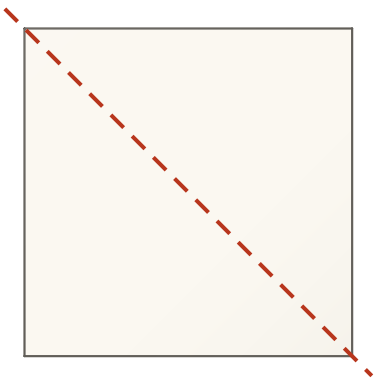


How to Fold an Origami Duck

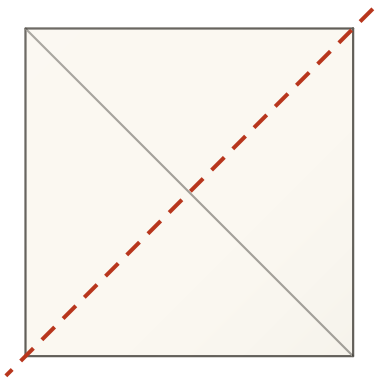
Medium level, 25 steps. From Die Praxis des Kindergartens (Köhler), 1873. Public domain.

Every fold is animated at orikatado.com/duck

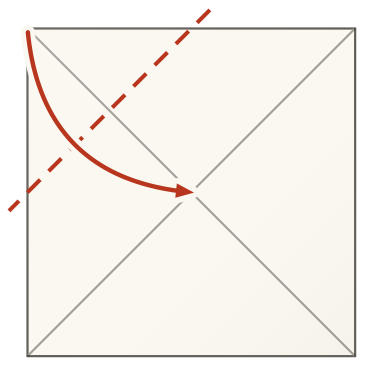
Valley fold: toward you Mountain fold: away from you



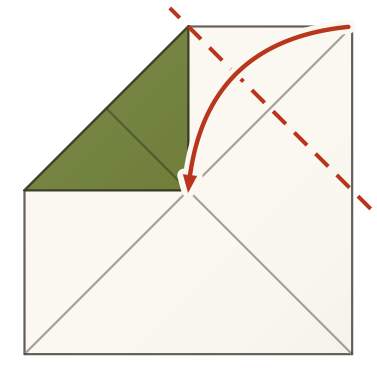
1 Start white side up. Fold in half corner to corner, then unfold.



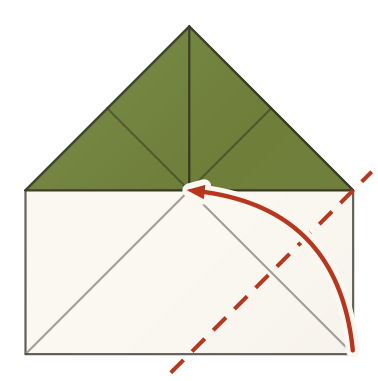
2 Fold in half along the other diagonal, then unfold.



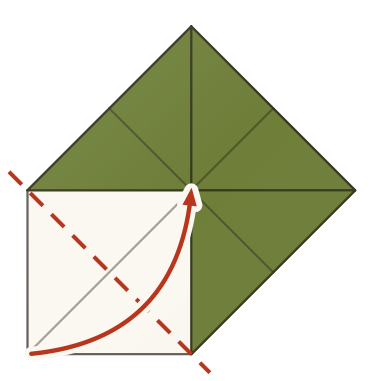
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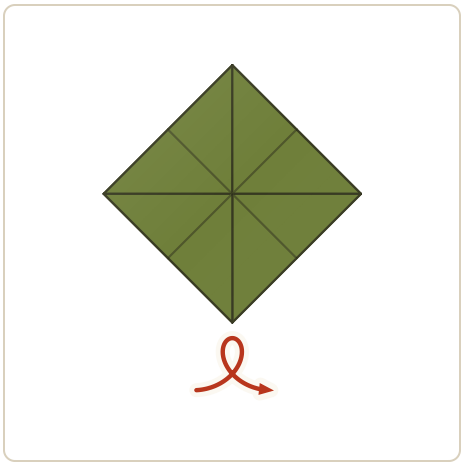
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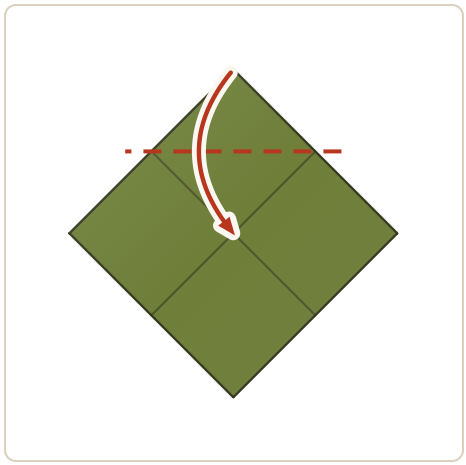
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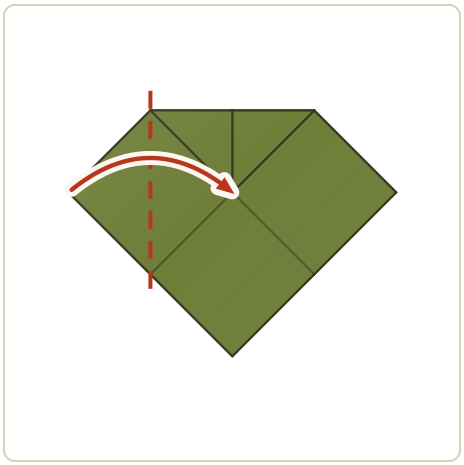
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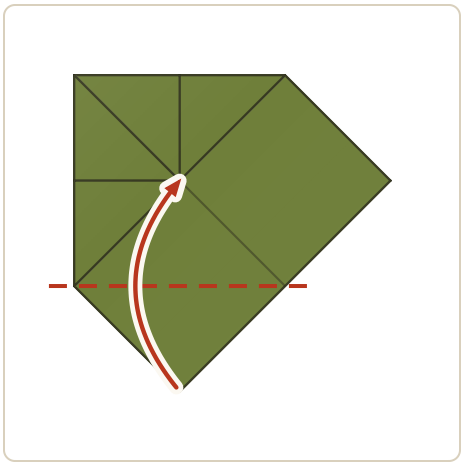
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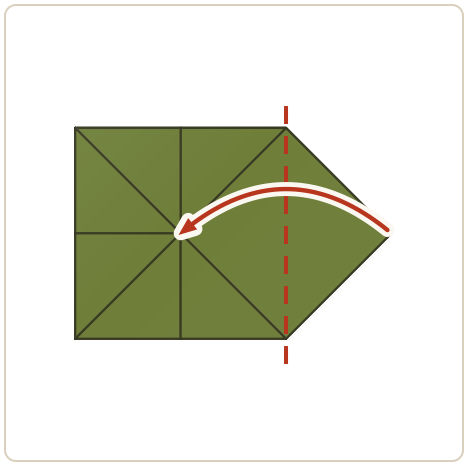
8 Fold one corner of the new square to the center.



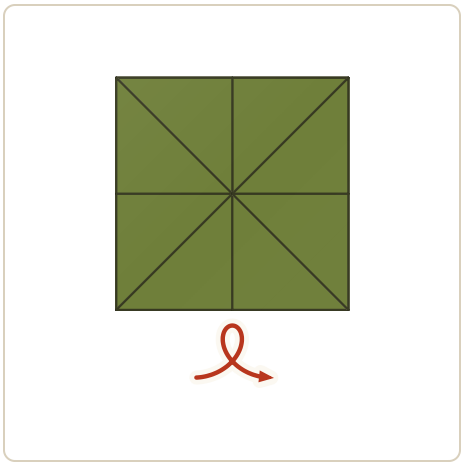
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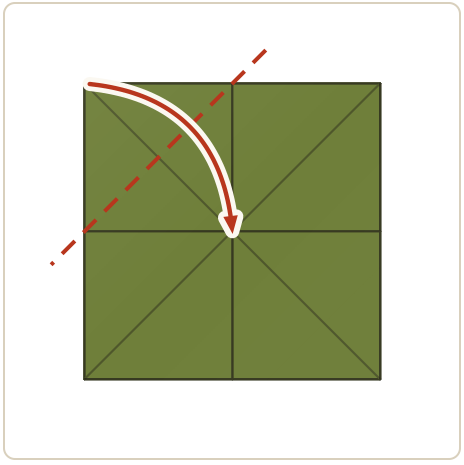
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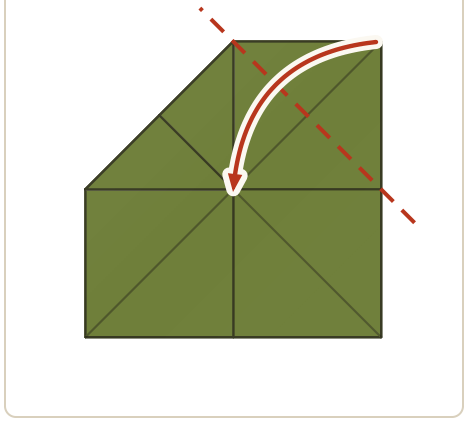
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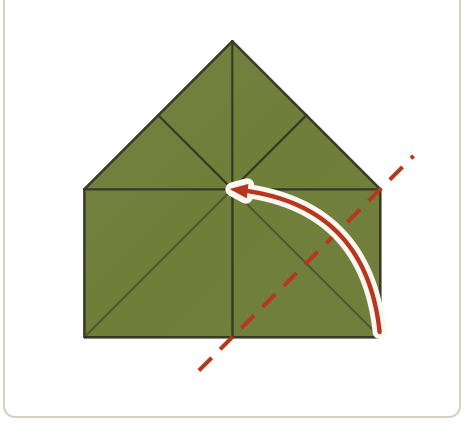
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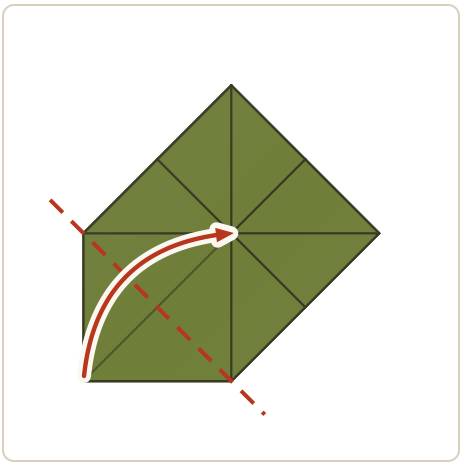
13 Fold one corner of the new square to the center.



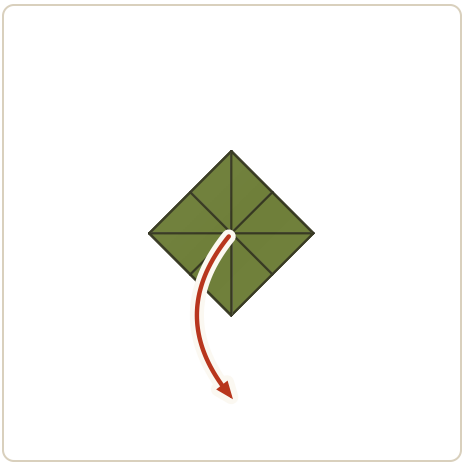
14 Fold the next corner to the center.



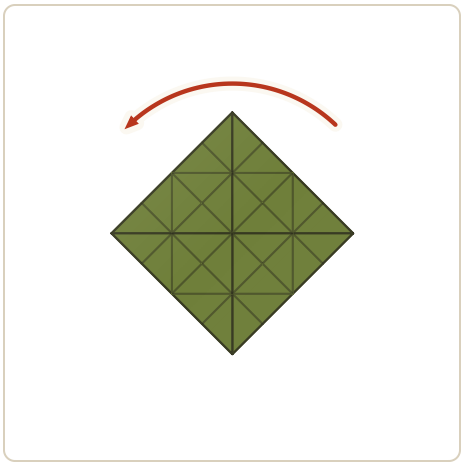
15 Fold the next corner to the center.



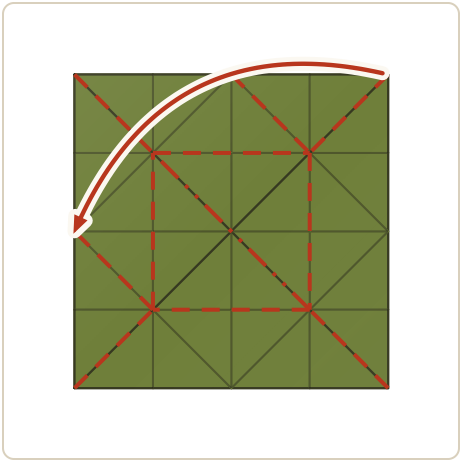
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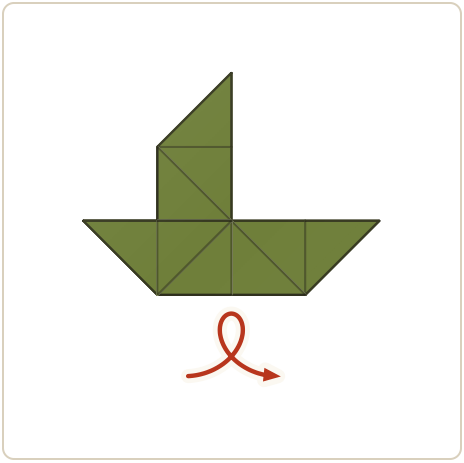
17 Unfold everything back to the first square, with the four corners folded to the center.



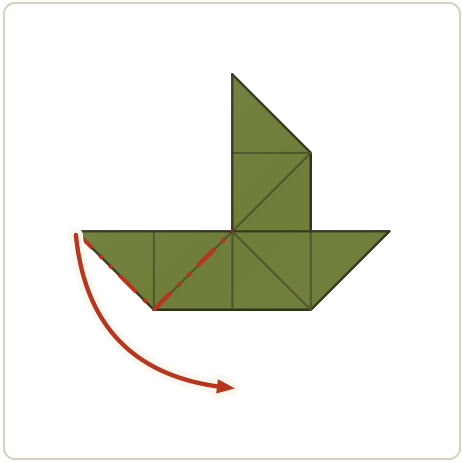
18 Turn the square so its edges are level.



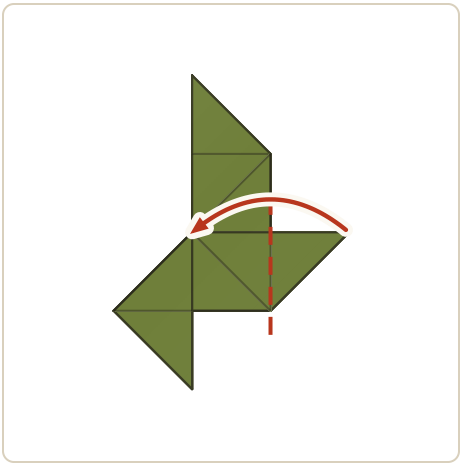
19 Push the four sides in so each corner square stands up. Fold the middle square in half, press two corners together as the sail, and flatten the other two side by side as the hull.



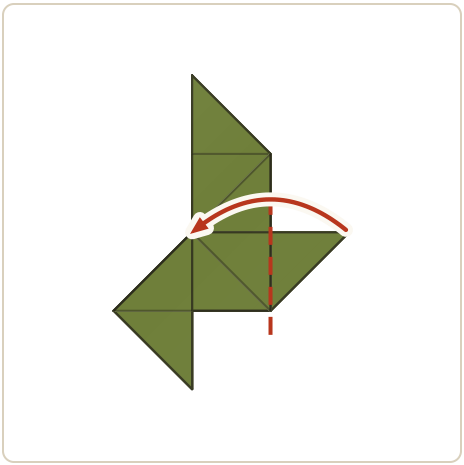
20 Turn the paper over. The hull is level at the bottom and the sail points up.



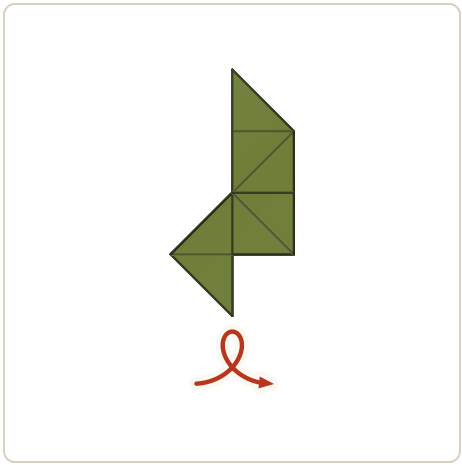
21 Turn the left point of the hull inside out and down over the outside. This is the head.



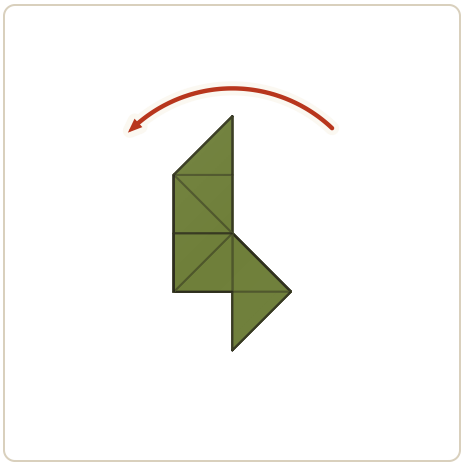
22 Push the front leg up inside the body.



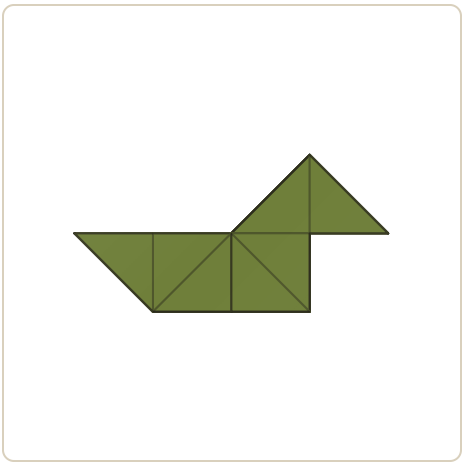
23 Push the back leg up inside the body the same way.



24 Turn the paper over.



25 Turn the model so the tail points left and the head is on the right.



Done The duck (Köhler, Die Praxis des Kindergartens, 1873).