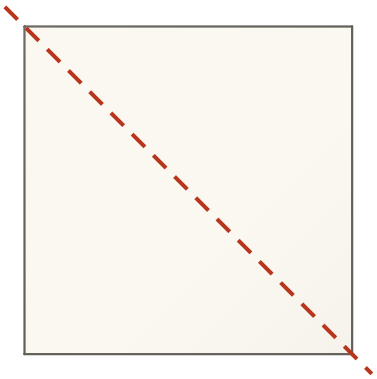


How to Fold an Origami Pocket Book

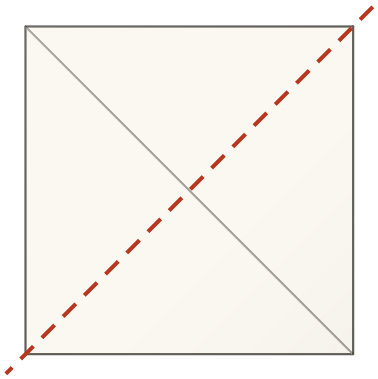
Hard level, 32 steps. From Fun with Paper Folding (Murray and Rigney), 1928. Public domain.

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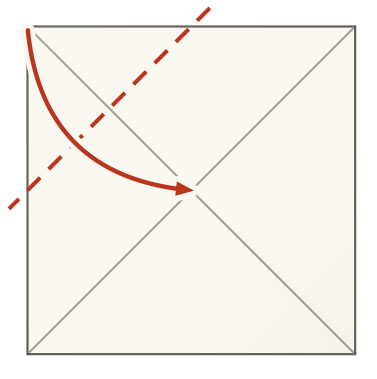
Valley fold: toward you Mountain fold: away from you



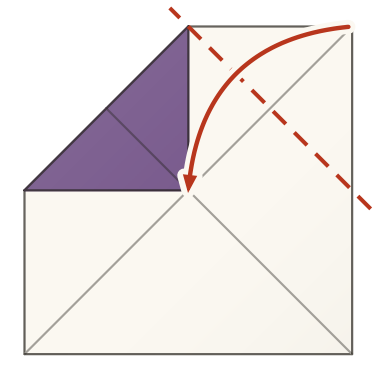
1 Start white side up. Fold in half corner to corner, then unfold.



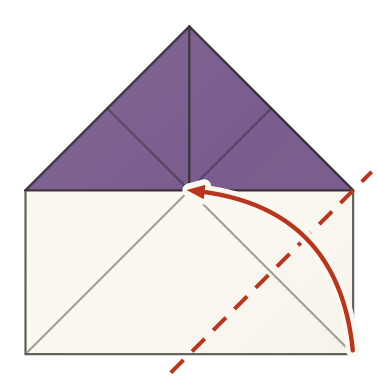
2 Fold in half along the other diagonal, then unfold.



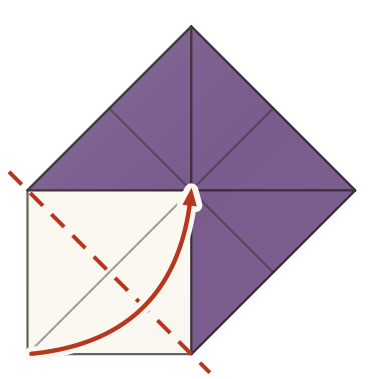
3 Fold one corner to the center.



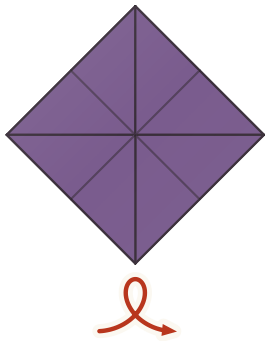
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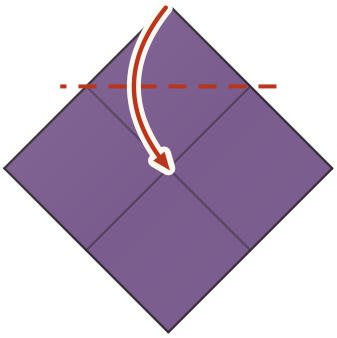
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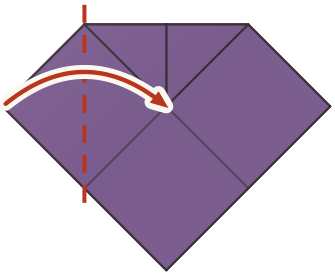
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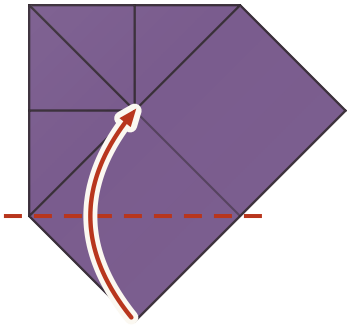
7 Turn the paper over.



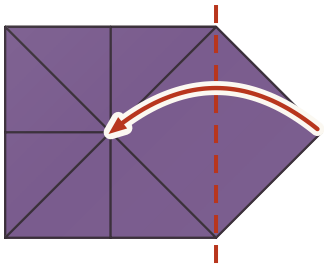
8 Fold one corner of the new square to the center.



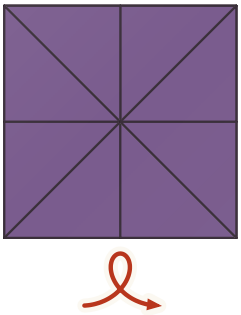
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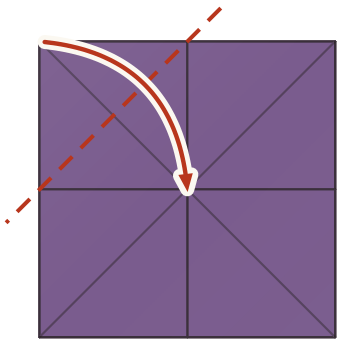
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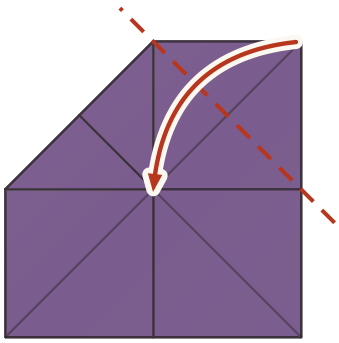
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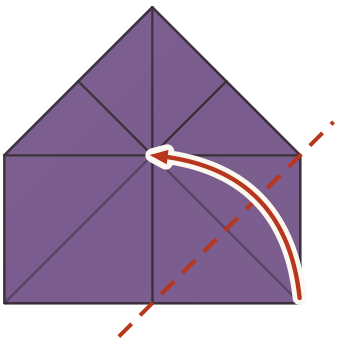
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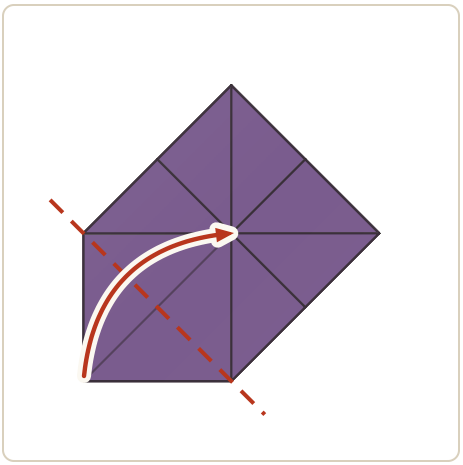
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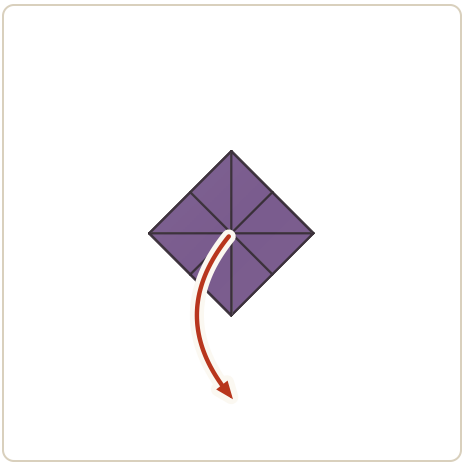
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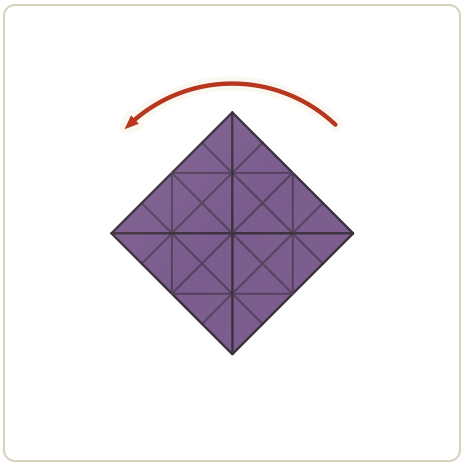
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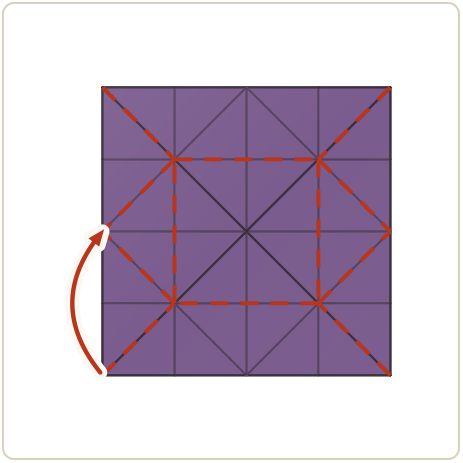
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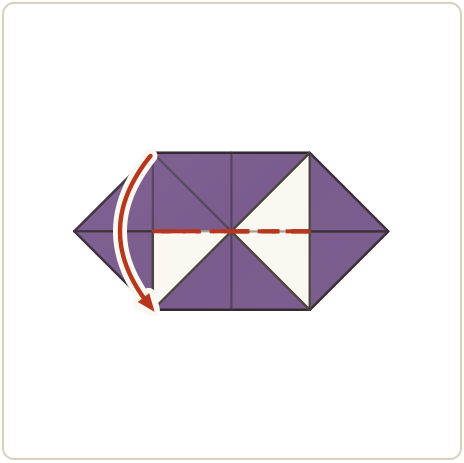
17 Unfold everything back to the first square, with the four corners folded to the center.



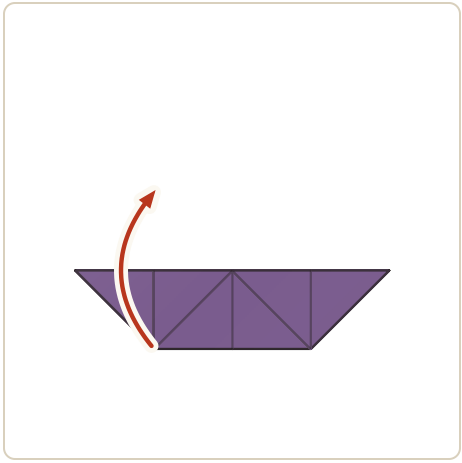
18 Turn the square so its edges are level.



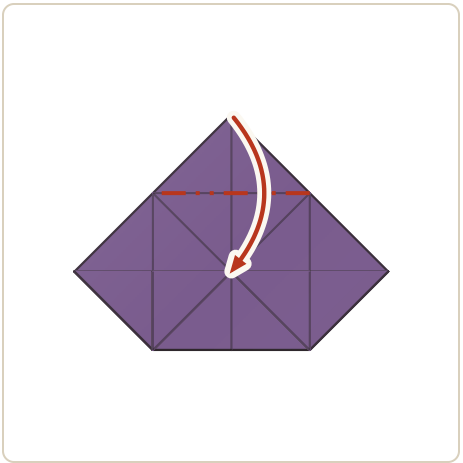
19 Push the four sides in along the creases so each corner square stands up. Press the two top legs flat toward the upper right and the two bottom legs toward the lower left.



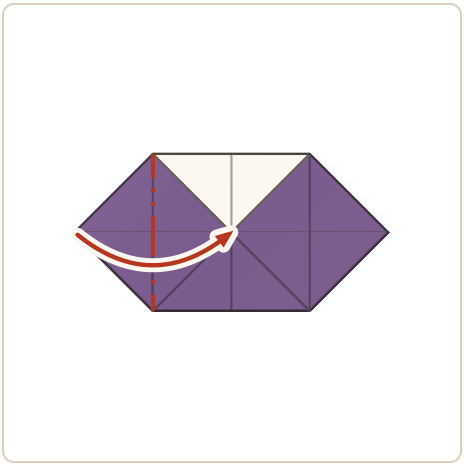
20 Fold the model in half behind along its long diagonal, with the points outside.



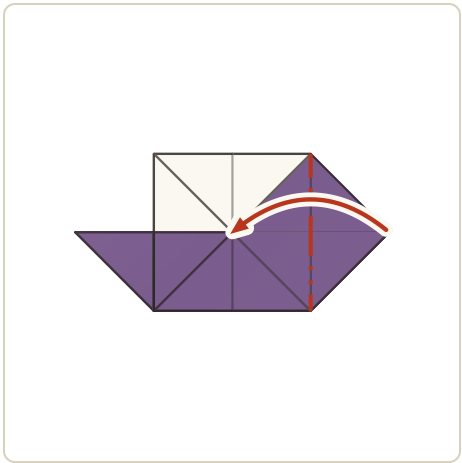
21 Pull out the flap hidden between the two front points and open it flat above the boat.



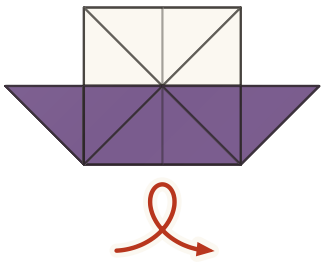
22 Fold its top point down to the middle of the top edge.



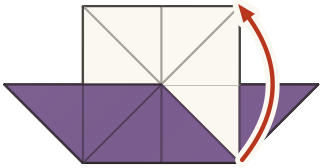
23 Fold the left point in to the same spot.



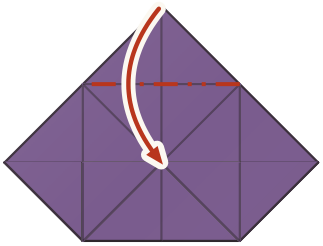
24 Fold the right point in to the same spot. The front is now a square.



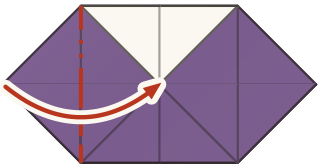
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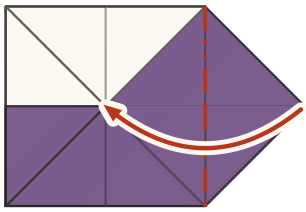
26 Pull out the flap on this side and open it flat.



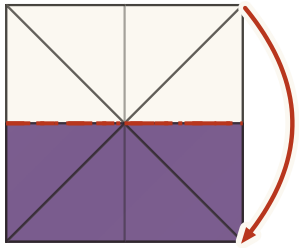
27 Fold its point down to the middle of the edge.



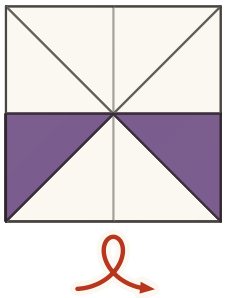
28 Fold one side point in to the same spot.



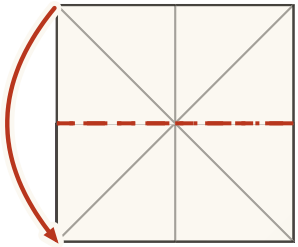
29 Fold the other side point in. The two squares are back to back.



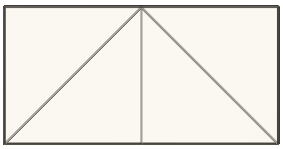
30 Fold this square in half, top edge down to the bottom edge.



31 Turn the paper over.



32 Fold this square in half the same way.



Done The pocket book (Murray and Rigney, Fun with Paper Folding, 1928). It has a pocket on each side.