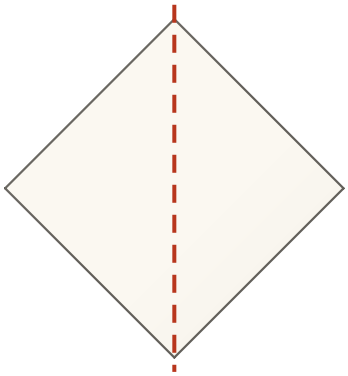


How to Fold an Origami Swan

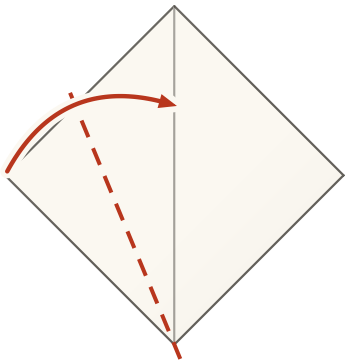
Easy level, 11 steps. Traditional. Earliest record: Origami Shuko (Honda), 1944.

Every fold is animated at orikatado.com/swan

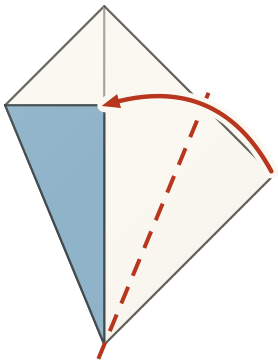
Valley fold: toward you Mountain fold: away from you



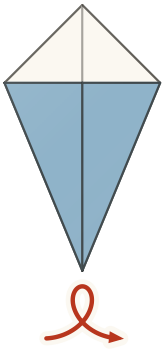
1 Start white side up. Fold in half from corner to corner, then unfold.



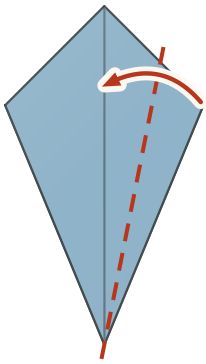
2 Fold the lower left edge to the center line.



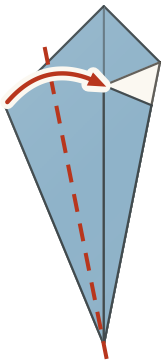
3 Fold the lower right edge to the center line.



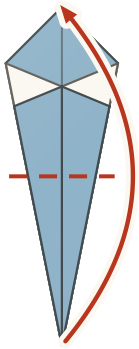
4 Turn the paper over.



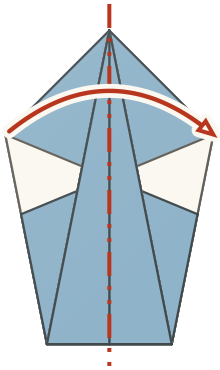
5 Fold the lower edge to the center line again.



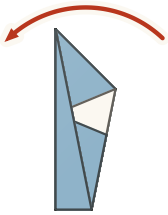
6 Fold the other lower edge to the center line.



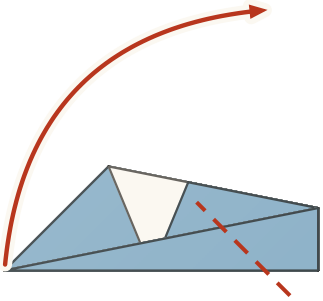
7 Fold the bottom point up to the top point.



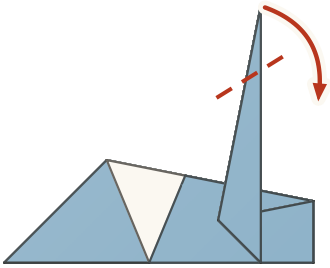
8 Fold the model in half behind, along the center line.



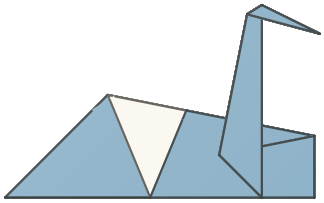
9 Turn the model so the fold is at the bottom.



10 Pull the neck up and flatten it. This is an outside reverse fold.



11 Pull the tip forward and flatten it to make the head.



Done Open the body slightly so the swan stands.