

Overview

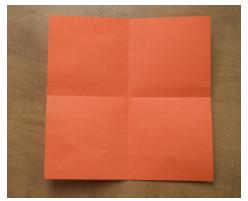
Origami is the art of paper folding. Originating in East Asia, origami transforms a simple sheet of paper into volumetric shapes and figures using only a series of folds and crease patterns. The transformation that takes place with origami parallels the complete metamorphosis of the monarch butterfly – a journey that begins with a tiny egg and changes into something entirely different and uniquely beautiful.

There are many ways to make origami butterflies, but this version is great for beginners and produces a beautiful result.

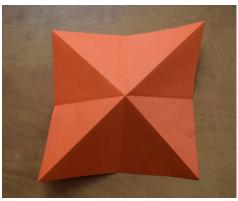
You will need...

- Origami paper (15cm x 15cm)
- Fishing line or nylon thread (optional)

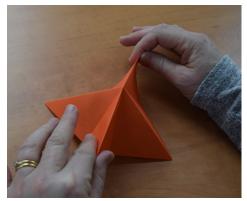
Instructions



1 Start with the coloured side up.



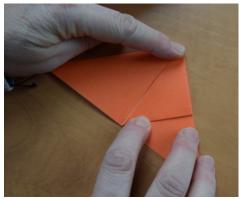
2 Fold the paper in half, bottom to top. This is a **valley fold**. Turn the paper 90 degrees and fold in half again.



3 Flip the paper over. Fold the paper in half on the diagonal, corner to corner. This is a **mountain fold**. Turn the paper 90 degrees and fold in half again.

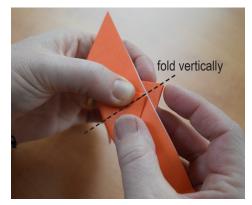


4 With the coloured side up, push the horizontal valley folds in to meet each other. This is a **waterbomb base**.





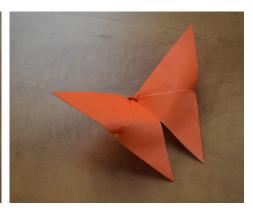
5 Fold the corner of the top layer of the waterbomb base to meet the top point. Repeat on the adjacent side.



6 Flip and invert. Extend and fold the tip of the point over the top edge, taking care not to flatten.



7 Turn over, and fold vertically along the centre.



8 Finished piece.