

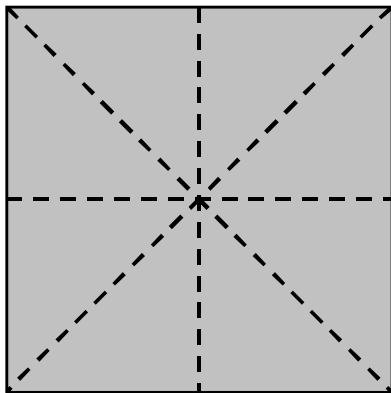
Christmas Tree



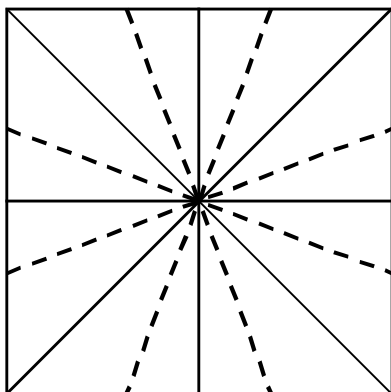
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This is really Kirikomi, which uses cutting as essential part of the design.

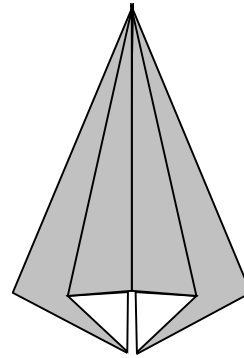
1. Start with the colored side of a square paper. Make valley-fold creases on diagonals and vertical/horizontal halves.



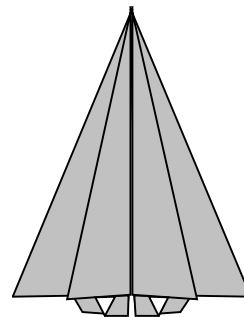
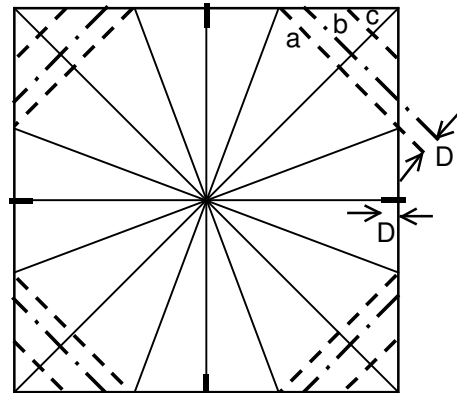
2. Turn the paper over so what the white side is facing up. Make valley-fold creases mid-angle in between the creases in Step 1.



3. Reinforce the creases, and shape the paper into a tree.



4. Open up the tree so that the white side is up. Fold in and out the 4 corners as shown. Cut along the horizontal and vertical half-lines as deep as the spacing between the corner fold in-outs. Shape it back to a tree.



5. Turn over the tree. Pull out each corner fold in-out (fold lines a and b; leave c alone), and fold back but over the two flaps formed by the incisions. This keeps the tree together without using glue.

6. You can leave the tree as is, or can also make cuts into the tree to make the branches.