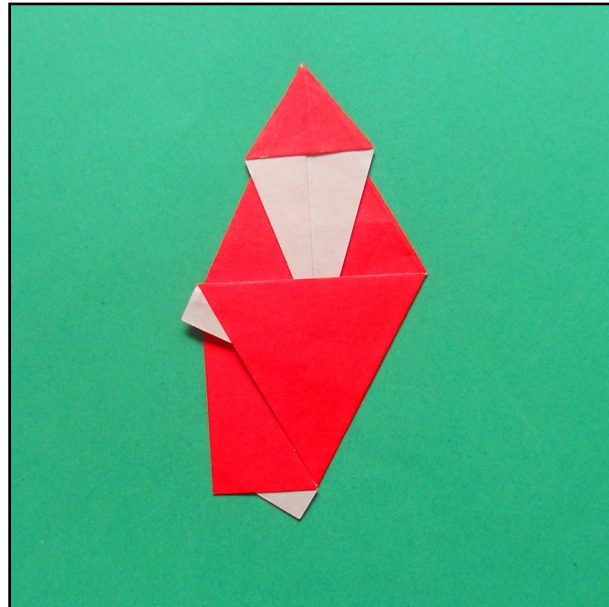


# Merlin

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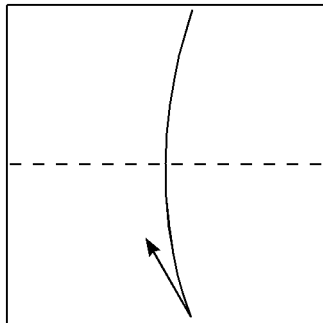
Merlin is a simple pictorial design. The proportions and appearance depend on the fold made in step 3, for which there is no exact location point, and which must therefore be made as a judgement fold.

Merlin was designed in 2001. While normally employed as an enchanter he also has a part time job covering for Father Christmas at busy periods.



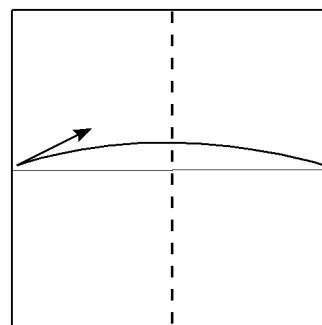
You will need a single square of irogami of an appropriate colour. Begin with your paper arranged white side up.

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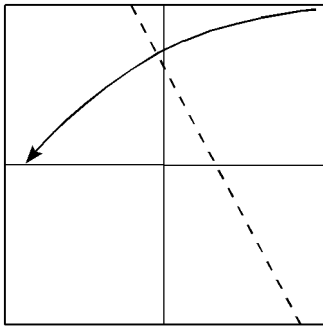
1. Fold in half downwards, then unfold.

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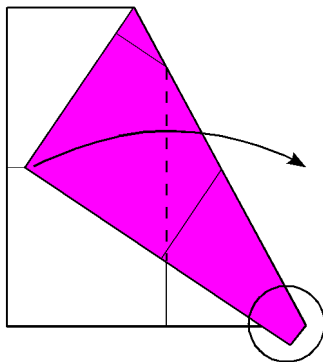
2. Fold in half sideways, then unfold.

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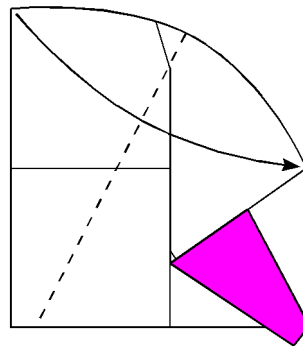
3. Fold the top left hand corner onto the horizontal crease just a little short of the right hand edge. There is no exact location point for this fold. Just make the result look as much like picture 4 as you can.

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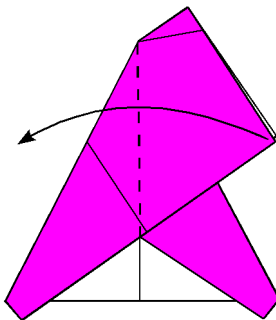
4. Make this fold directly in front of the vertical crease made in step 2. Crease firmly but don't flatten the rest of the paper.

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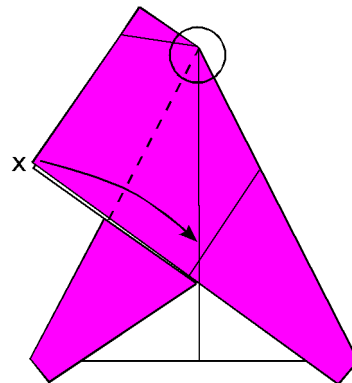
5. Fold the top left hand corner onto the original top right hand corner and flatten the crease.

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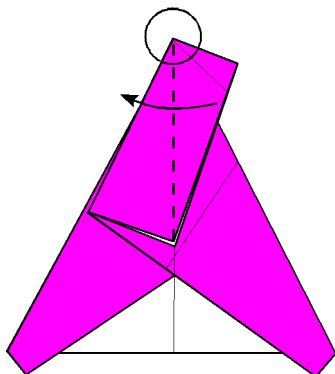
6. Fold both layers across to the left.

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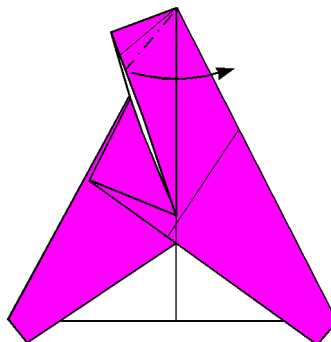
7. Fold both layers of paper at point x onto the vertical centre crease, making sure that the crease starts from the point marked with a circle.

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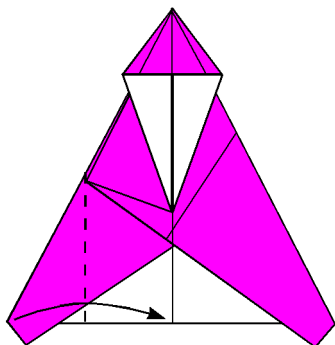
8. Fold the front flap back on itself directly in front of the vertical centre crease, making sure the point at the top of the model remains sharp.

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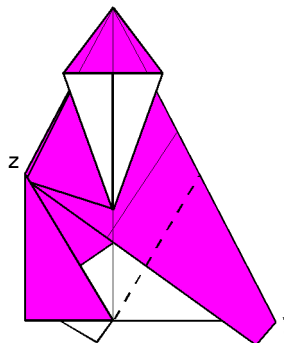
9. Fold just the top layer of paper back across to the right, then flatten symmetrically to form Merlin's hat, face and beard.

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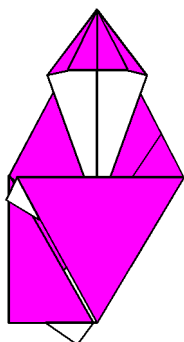
10. Fold the outside right hand corner inwards to lie on the vertical centre crease.

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11. Fold the right hand arm inwards so that point y ends up at z.

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12. Merlin is finished. The natural spring in the creases will allow Merlin's hat and robes to loosen so that the model becomes slightly three-dimensional.

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