

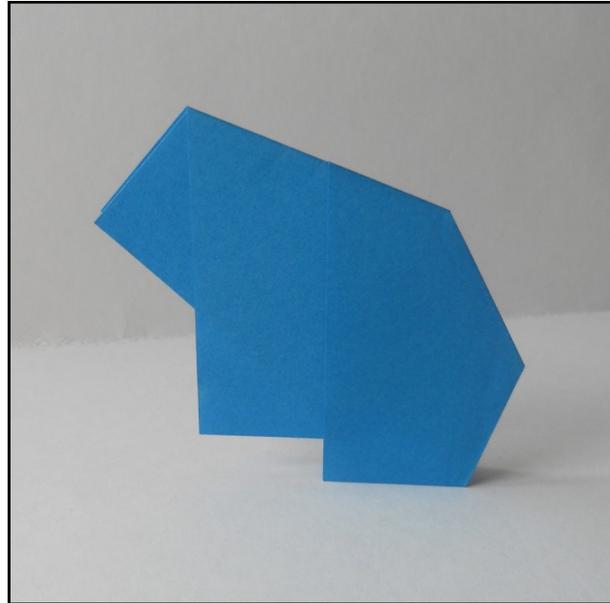
B-Bear

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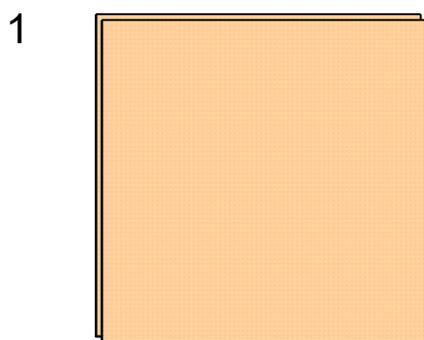
B-Bear was one of the results of my attempt, back in 1992, to design the simplest possible origami animals.

Along with P-P-Pig it is the archetypal design of the style of paperfolding that I have come to call naive origami, in which the fundamental proportions and look of the designs are largely determined by working within a set of

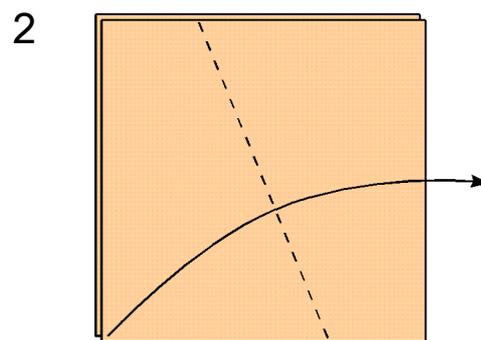
simple rules, with the intention that this leaves the designer less in control of the creative process. You can learn more about this style of paperfolding at www.origamiheaven.com/naiveorigami.htm



You will need two squares of paper of the same size. This design works best from paper which is the same plain colour both sides. The first folds are made with both sheets held firmly together.

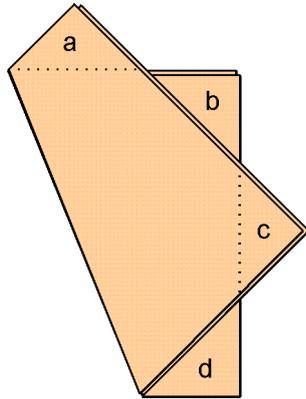


1. Lay one square on top of the other and line up the edges as exactly as possible.



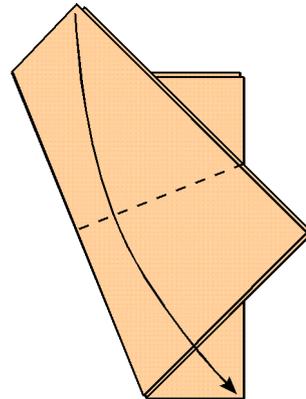
2. Fold in half from left to right like this. Make this fold softly at first and adjust it as necessary to look like picture 3 before creasing firmly.

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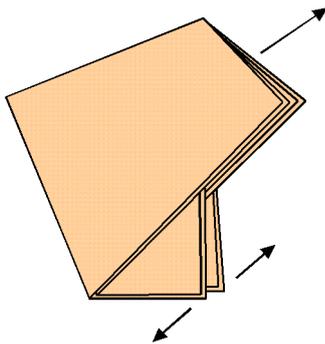
3. Triangular areas a, b, c and d should all be the same size. Ideally each of the areas should also be the same shape as a square folded in half diagonally.

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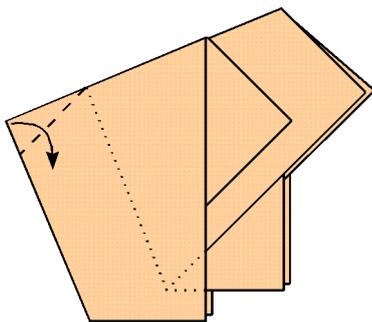
4. Fold in half from top to bottom as shown.

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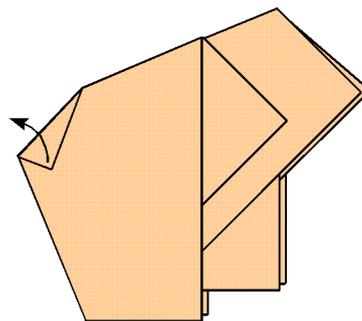
5. All the edges of the paper should line up with each other once fold 4 has been made. The two folded sheets of paper are now nested inside each other. Open out the layers and pull the inside sheet partly out of the outside sheet in the direction of the arrow at the top of this picture. Picture 7 shows what the result should look like.

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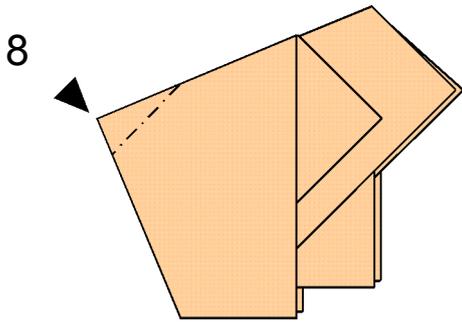


6. Make this small fold to begin to shape the body.

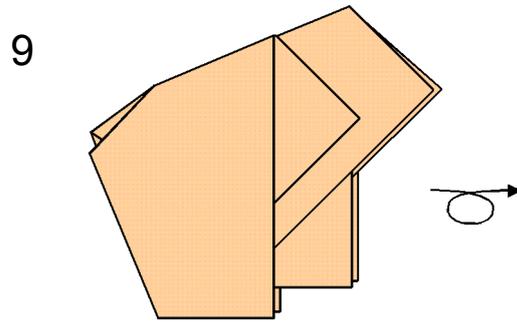
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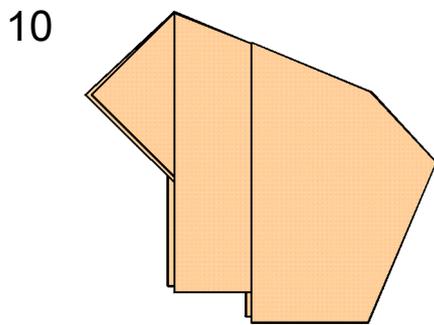
7. Open out the fold made in step 6.



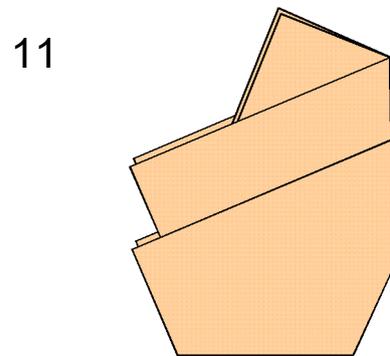
8. Turn the point inside out in between the layers of the body using the existing creases.



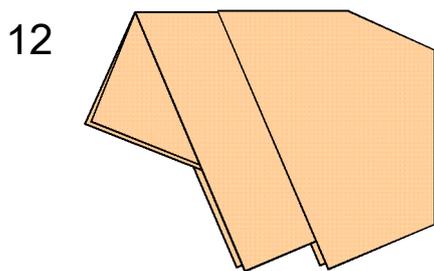
9. Turn over sideways.



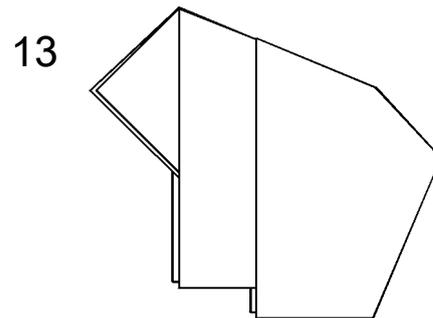
10. B-Bear is finished. He should balance on his hind legs, like this. (Push the front half of the body slightly further into the back half if he doesn't.)



11. Bear will also sit ...



12. ... or run.



13. If you use white paper your B-Bear will be P-Polar instead.