Treefish

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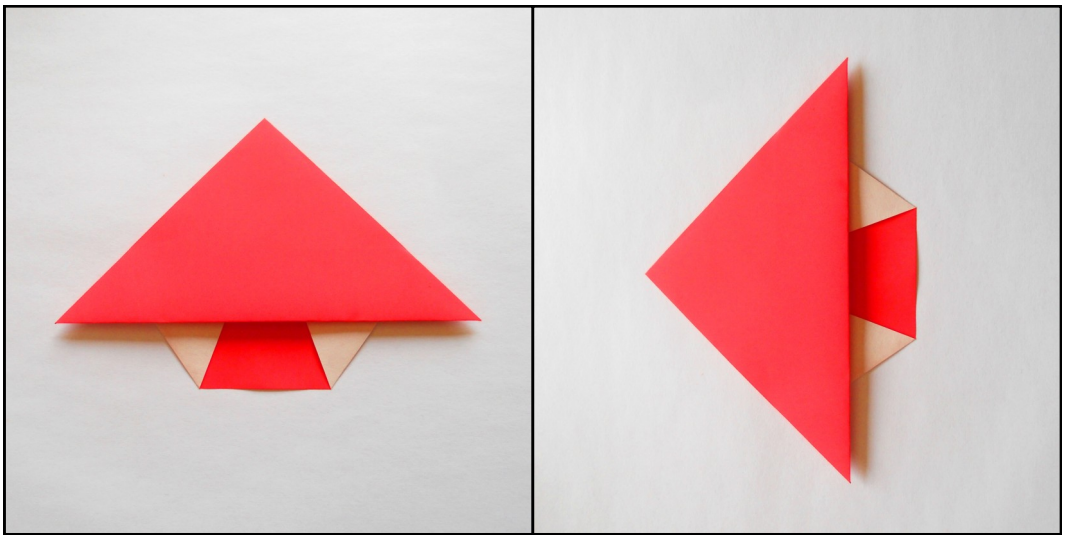

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As the photos above clearly show Treefish is a double image design. It begins as a stylised tree then becomes a fish when rotated through 90 degrees.

There are only 7 folds (and one unfold) to make but this is probably too many for Treefish to be considered a true minimalist design.

The folding sequence is not quite as simple as it looks and the written instructions must be followed carefully if you are to get a good result. Take particular care over the last two folds which have to be made through several layers of paper in a rather unusual way.

All in all I am rather pleased with Treefish. It is interesting to fold and delivers a lot for the amount of effort that goes into making it.

Treefish was designed in 2016.

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

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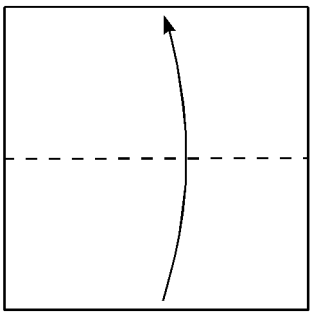

1. Fold in half upwards.

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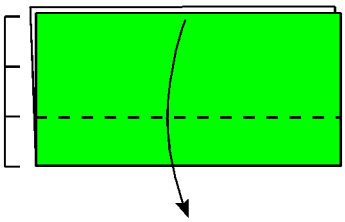

2. Fold approximately two thirds of the front layer of the paper downwards, making sure your crease is parallel to the bottom edge. You can do this by lining up the left and right edges of all the layers.

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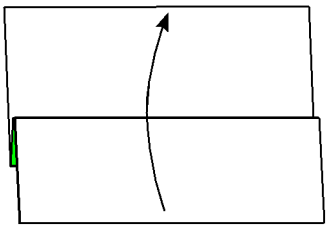

3. Unfold.

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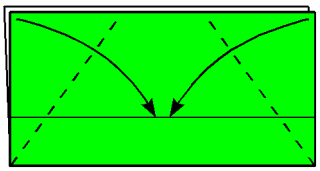

4. Fold both top corners of the front layer inwards so that they end up lying on the crease you made in step 2. Make sure the creases begin exactly from the nearest bottom corner in each case..

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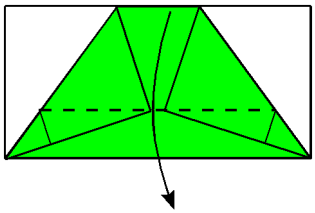

5. Fold just the front layers downwards along the line of the existing crease, Make sure the layers do not slip out of alignment as you do this.

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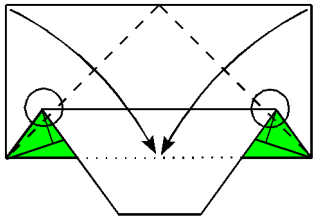

6. Fold the left edge of the back layer onto the bottom edge of the middle layer making sure the fold goes through all the other layers (marked with a circle) as well. Repeat this fold on the right hand half of the paper.

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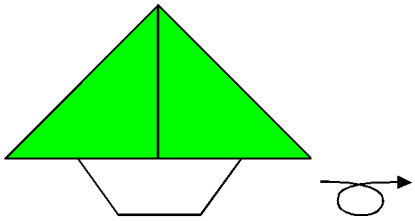

7. This is the result. Check that the top, right and left corners are all sharp. Adjust your creases if necessary then turn over sideways.

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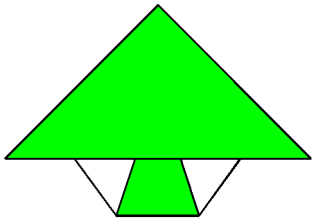

8. This is the tree. Rotate 90 degrees anticlockwise.

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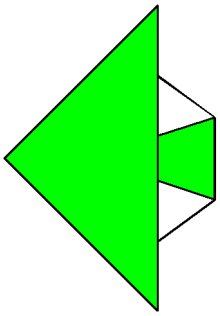

9. And this is the fish.