

German Pinwheel Or Windmill

Supplies:

Sheet of paper (typical 8.5x11 sheet) cut into a perfect square

NOTE: Origami paper typically comes with each side a different color - this would be perfect for this project!

Instructions

1. Fold the paper from the left edge to the right edge, crease well and then unfold.
2. Fold the paper from the bottom edge to the top edge, crease well and then unfold.
3. Fold the paper from the bottom left corner to the top right corner, crease well and then unfold.
4. Fold the paper from the bottom right corner to the top left corner, crease well and then unfold.
5. Fold the left edge over to meet the center line. Crease well.
6. Fold the right edge over to meet the center line. Crease well.
7. Fold the bottom edge up to meet the center line. Crease well.
8. Reach under the top layer of paper of the part you just folded. Do the left side first. Use the prefolds as a guide and pull the paper outwards to make a triangle. Crease well.
9. Repeat with the right side. You will now have a canoe shape.
10. Fold the top edge to the center. Crease well.
11. Reach under the top layer of paper of the part you just folded. Do the left side first. Use the prefolds as a guide and pull the paper outwards to make a triangle. Crease well.

Instructions (German Pinwheel cont.)

12. Repeat with the right side. You will now have a canoe shape on the top too.
13. Fold the bottom left corner down.
14. Fold the top right corner up.
15. Attach to a paper cup or similar to make a windmill or to a pencil to make a pinwheel you can play with.