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Origami Lotus

Materials:

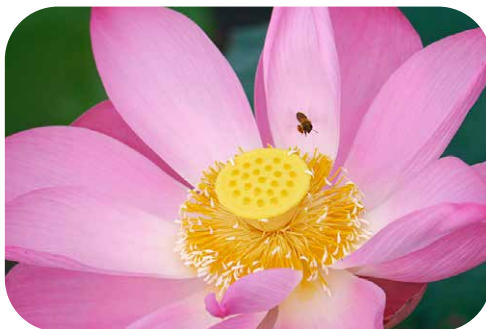
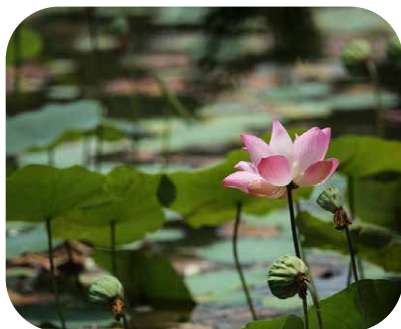
- 1 sheet of origami paper

Tip: You can also recycle and use colourful magazines, catalogues or used gift wraps! Just cut them into squares.

Did you know?

Relatives of the water lily, lotuses belong to the Nelumbonaceae family, and flourish in a wide range of climates from India to China. The types of lotuses differ in the number of petals and, single or dual colours of white, yellow, pink, red, blue or purple.

The lotus opens early in the morning, begins closing by mid-afternoon and completely closes at night. This bloom pattern lasts three to five days before the petals start to fall, leaving the seedpod behind. The yellow seedpod turns green gradually and continues to grow up to twice its original size. After six weeks, the mature seedpod turns brown and drops into the water, allowing the seeds to be dispersed.

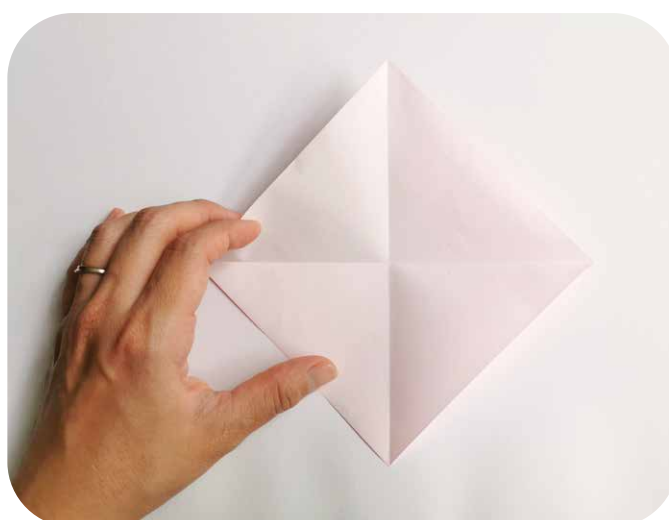
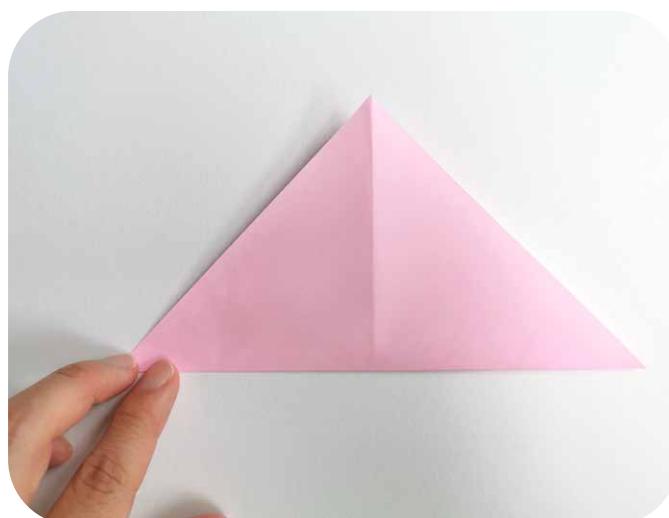
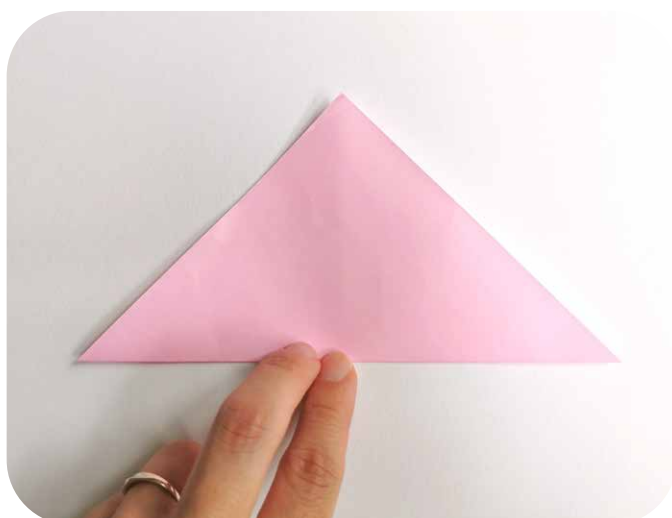


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Step 1

Fold the paper in half on each diagonal axis.
Crease well and unfold.

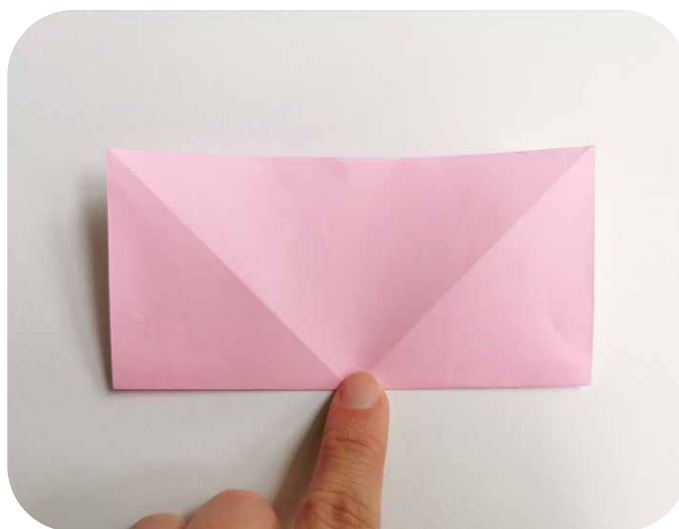
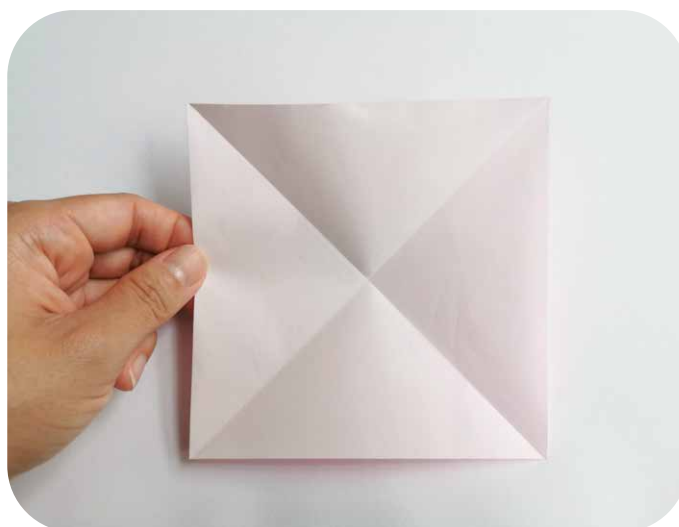


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Step 2

Next, fold the paper in half on each horizontal axis. Crease well and unfold.

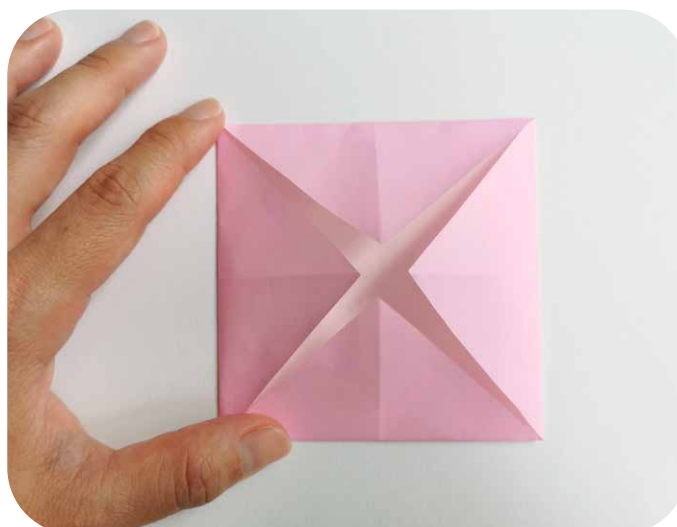
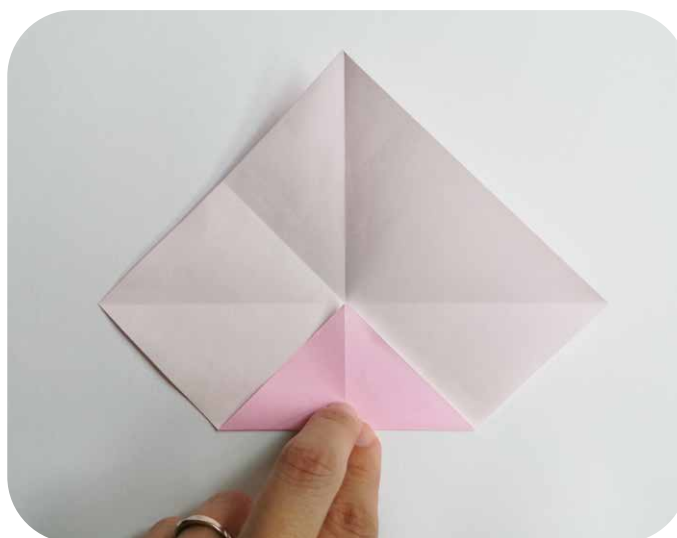


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Step 3

Fold the tips to the centre to form a square.

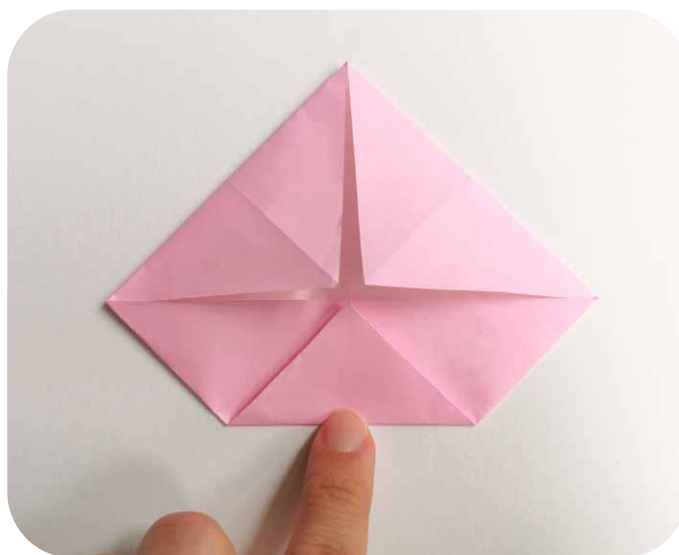


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Step 4

Rotate the paper clockwise and fold the tips to the centre to form a smaller square.

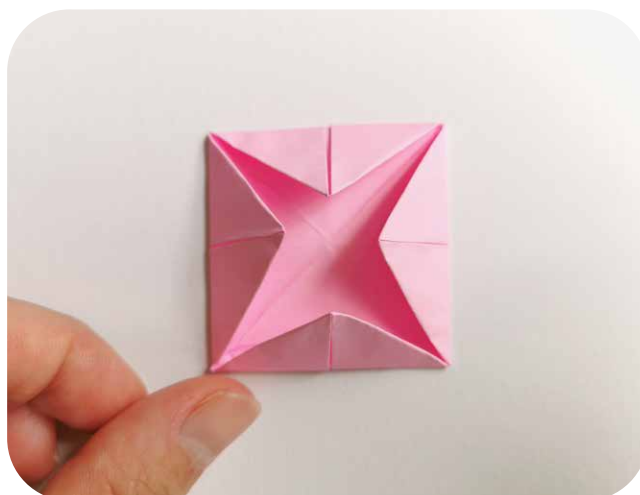
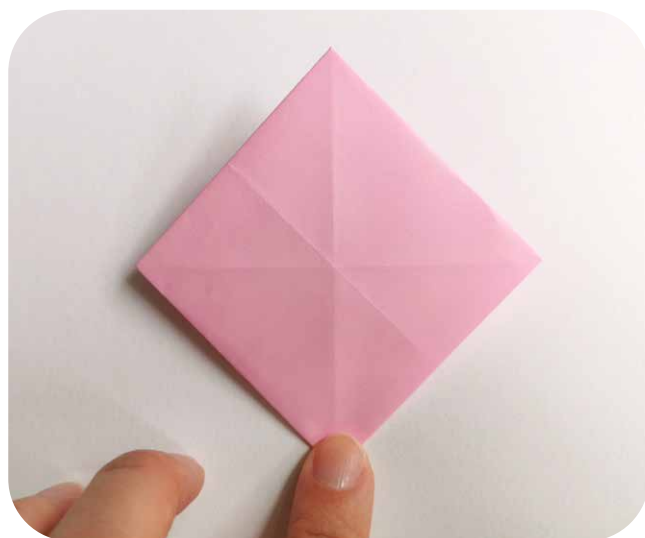


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Step 5

Flip the paper over. Rotate the paper clockwise and fold the tips to the centre to form a smaller square.

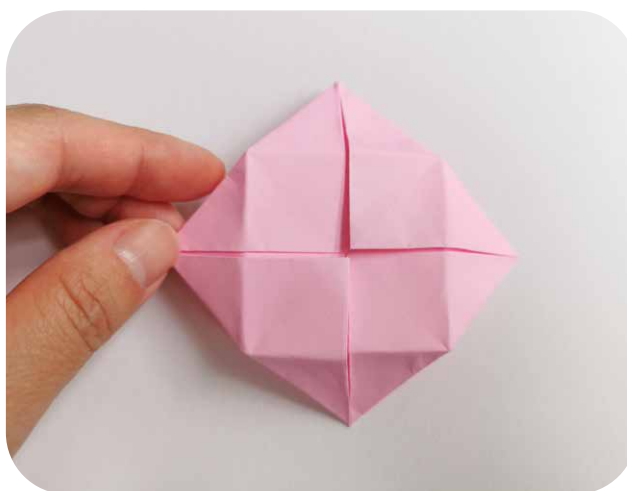
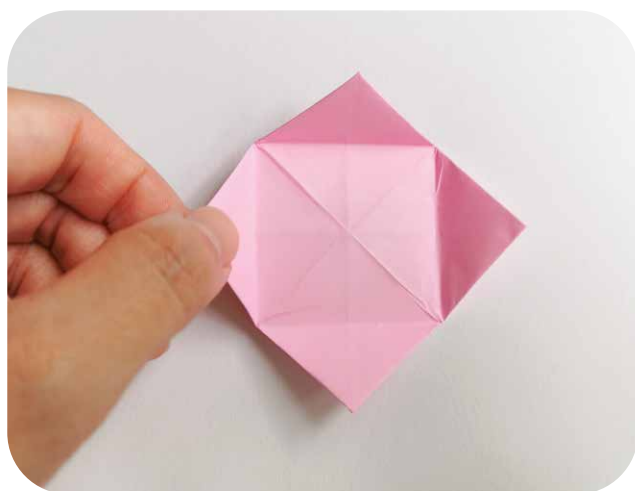


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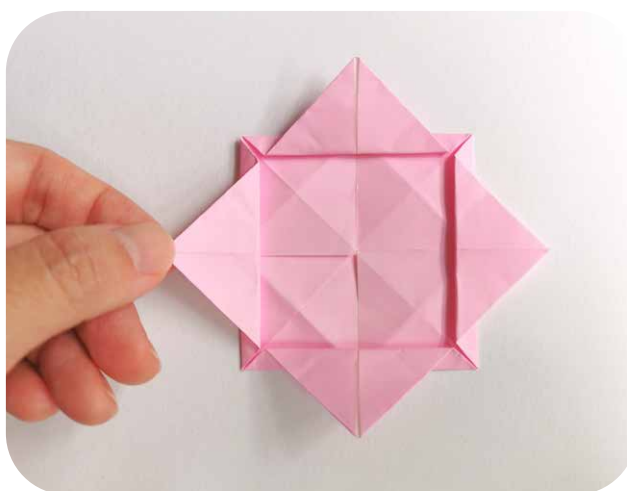
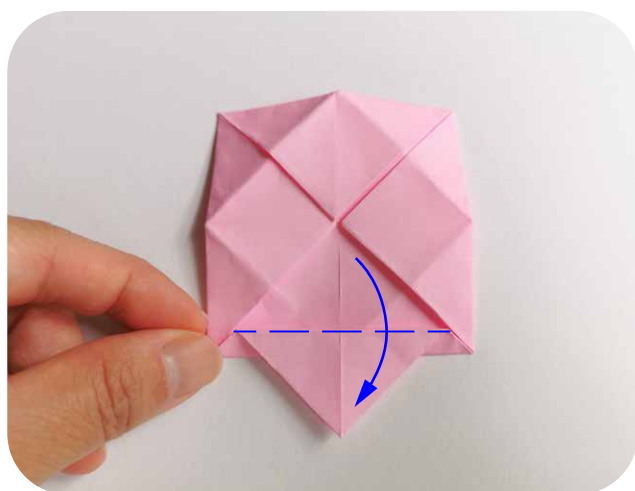
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Step 6

Unfold the tips and flip the paper over.



Then, rotate the paper clockwise and fold the tips down, leaving some space at the base.

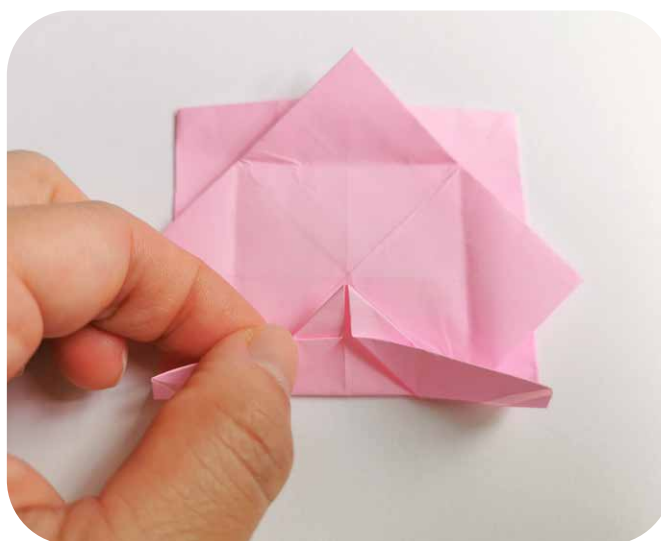


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Step 7

Flip the paper over and bring the tips to the centre.



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Step 8

Hold the tips down at the centre and round the edges of the "petals". Lastly, gently pull the flaps at the back to the front.



Tada, you are done!

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You can fold more lotuses and use them to decorate your home!



Credit:



[Origami Princess]. (2019, 1 September).
How to make an origami Lotus Flower - the simple way.
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