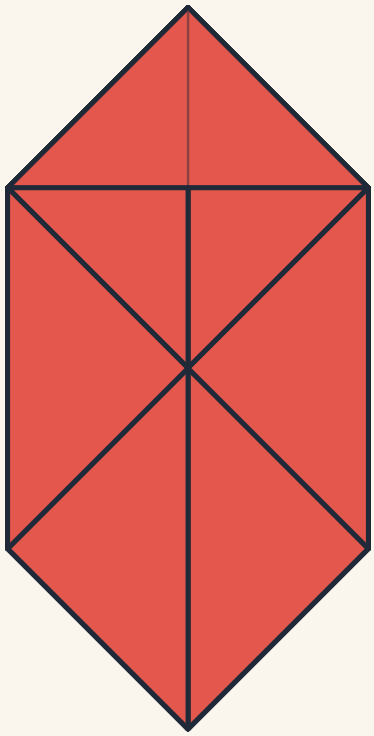
ORIGAMI DIAGRAMS

Water Balloon

The origami water balloon, also called the waterbomb, is a traditional model that you fold flat and then inflate by blowing into a small hole, turning it into a hollow paper cube. It is a beginner-to-intermediate model that takes about eight minutes, mostly for the waterbomb base and the tucks.



DIFFICULTY
Intermediate

TIME
About 8 min

STEPS
13

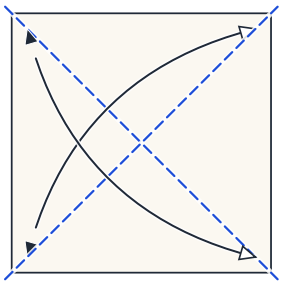
PAPER
A 15-20 cm (6-8 in) square of thin, crisp paper;

- Valley fold (toward you)
- Mountain fold (away)
- Existing crease

Water Balloon - origami diagram

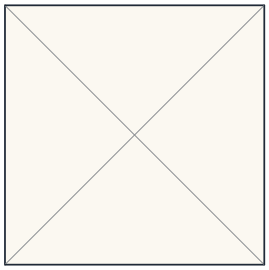
Intermediate - 13 steps - 8 min

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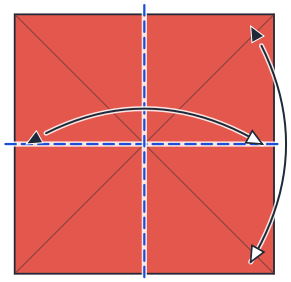
Start with the white side facing you. Fold the square in half corner to corner along one diagonal, open it, and repeat along the other diagonal.

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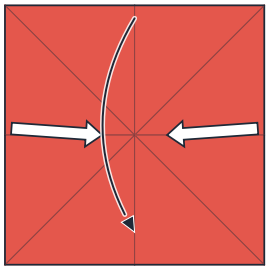
Turn the paper over.

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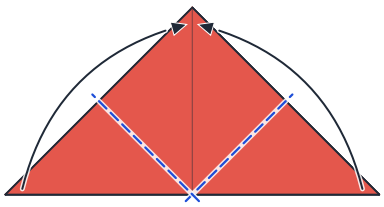
Fold it in half edge to edge in both directions, opening it after each fold, so you have creases along both midlines.

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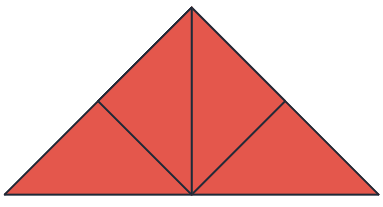
Push the left and right edges inward along the creases while you bring the top half down. The paper collapses into a triangle with its point at the top: the waterbomb base.

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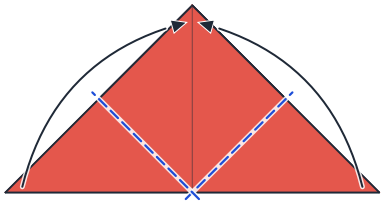
Fold the bottom corners of the two front flaps up to meet the top point.

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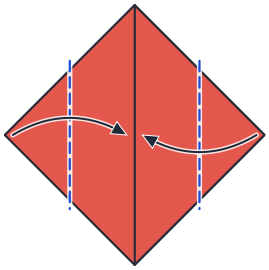
Turn the model over.

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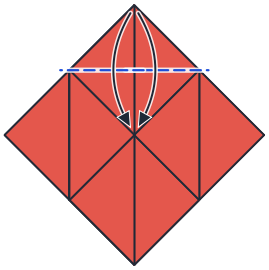
Fold the bottom corners on this side up to the top point as well. The model is now a small diamond.

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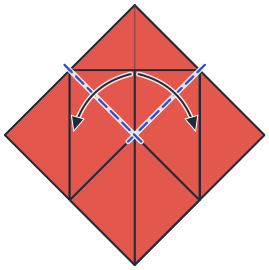
Fold the left and right corners of the front layers in so they meet on the vertical center line.

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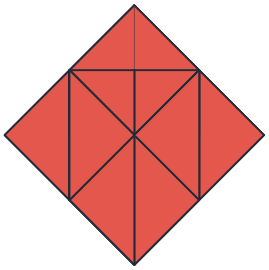
Fold the two loose points at the top down so their tips meet in the center of the model.

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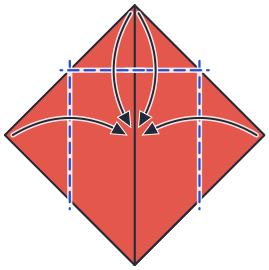
Fold each of those small triangles again, along the top edge of the side triangle beneath it, and slide it into the pocket of that side triangle.

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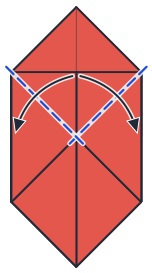
Turn the model over.

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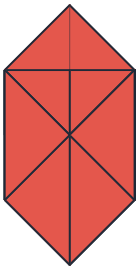
Repeat the same sequence on this side: fold the side corners in to the center line, then fold the two top points down to the center.

13



Fold the two new small triangles and tuck them into their pockets, so both sides match. The flat waterbomb is finished.

Done



Hold the model lightly and blow firmly into the small hole at the bottom point. The paper puffs out into a cube; gently pull the loose points apart and shape the edges with your fingers. Fill it with water over a sink or outdoors, or leave it empty and use it as a light ball.