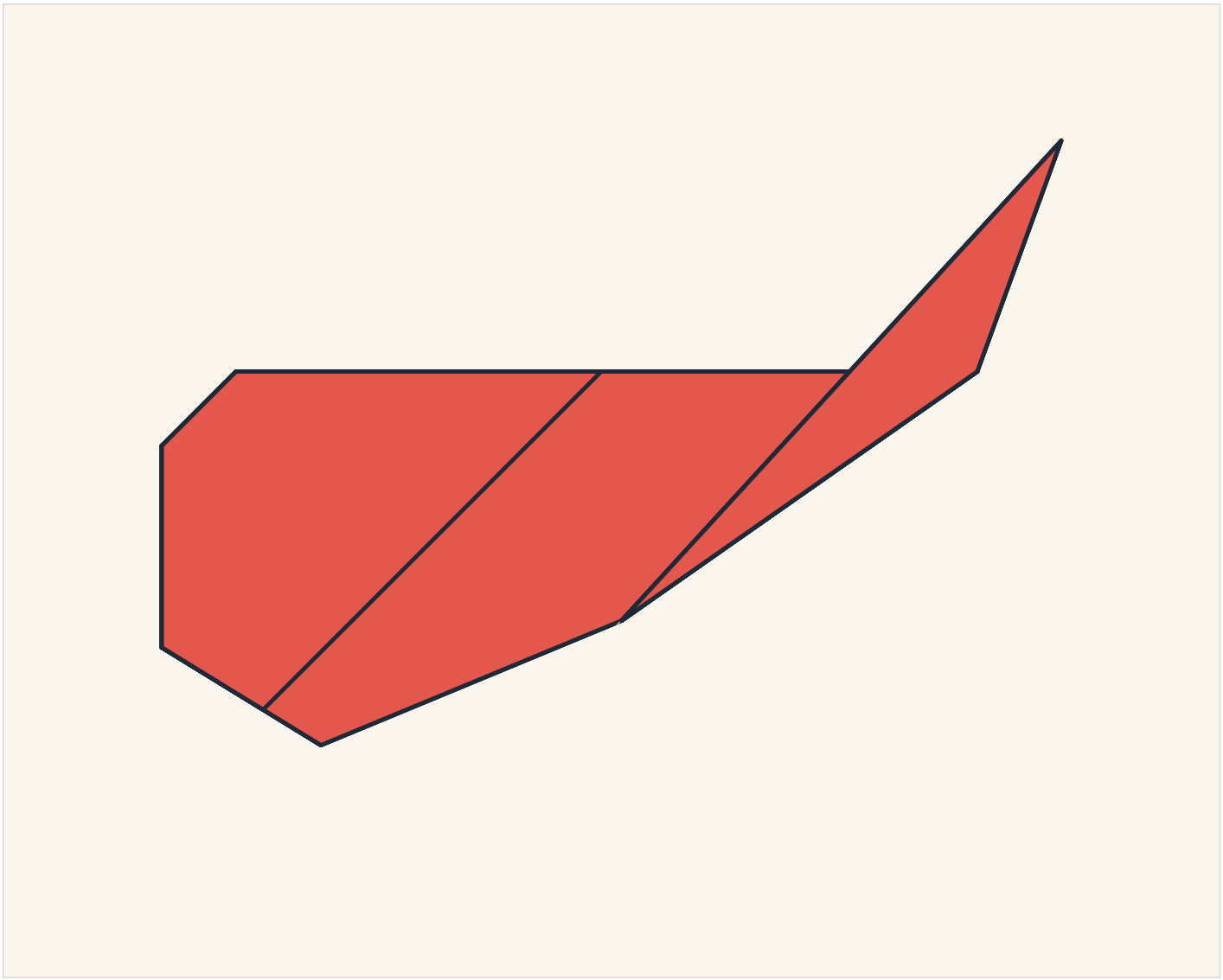
ORIGAMI DIAGRAMS

Whale

The origami whale is a flat whale with a large rounded head, a straight back and a tail that rises behind it, folded from a kite shape made from one square. It is an easy model of six steps that takes about four minutes, which makes it a good choice for children and beginners.



DIFFICULTY
Easy

TIME
About 4 min

STEPS
6

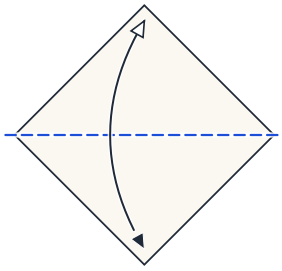
PAPER
A 15 cm (6 in) square in blue or grey

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

Whale - origami diagram

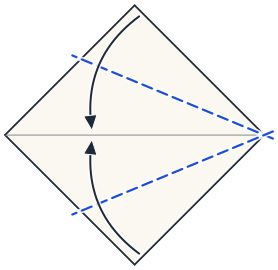
Easy - 6 steps - 4 min

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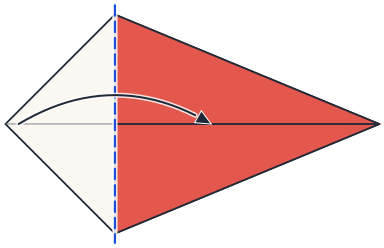
Turn the square so it sits as a diamond with the white side up, fold the top corner down to the bottom corner, and unfold to leave a horizontal crease.

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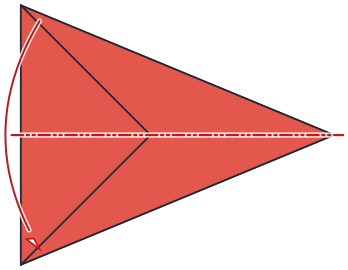
Bring both right-hand edges in so they lie along the horizontal crease, forming a kite whose point faces right.

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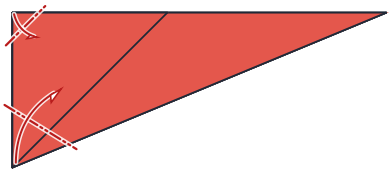
Fold the white left corner across to the right, creasing along the line where the edges of the two kite flaps finish. This gives the whale its big, blunt head.

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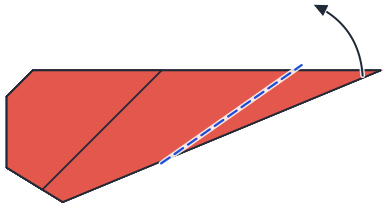
Mountain fold the model in half along the horizontal crease, sending the top half behind, so the straight folded edge becomes the whale's back.

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Mountain fold the two front corners of the head behind by a small amount to round off the forehead and the jaw.

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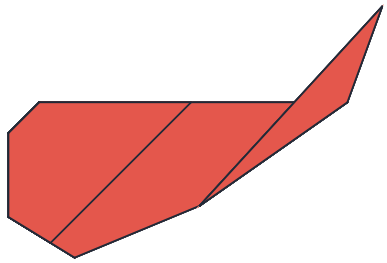


Fold the narrow tail end upward at an angle through all the layers, so the tail stands up high behind the body.

Whale - origami diagram

Easy - 6 steps - 4 min

Done



Draw an eye near the front of the head and a curved mouth line if you like. Your whale is ready to swim across a card, a window or an ocean-themed wall display.