Heart Motif of Fröbel Square

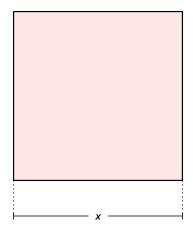
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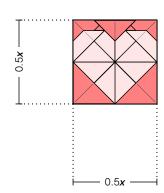
ABOUT

This manual contains instructions for a Heart Motif of the Fröbel Square, a design discovered in February 2021. This design is one of the many variations of the Fröbel Square: a model derived from the windmill base that can represent almost any figure through the manipulation of the initial flaps.

A square with a side length of 20.0 cm (8.0 in.) is recommended for the initial folding of the model. Using paper of this size would result in a final model with both a height and a width of 10.0 cm (4.0 in.). One may use kami paper for the initial fold and any two-color paper for the final model.

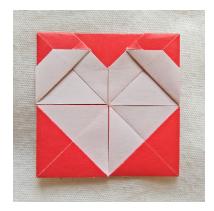
SCALE



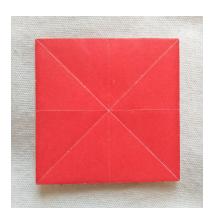


A square with a side length of x would have its height and width scaled down by a factor of 0.50x.

ANGLES

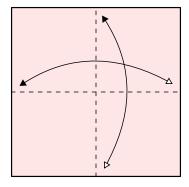




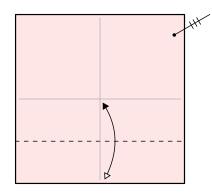


Reverse view

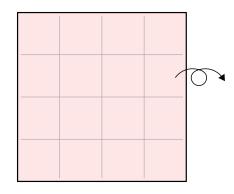
FOLDING INSTRUCTIONS



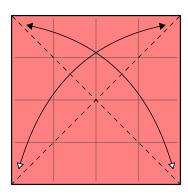
01. Begin with the white side of the paper up. Fold the paper in half vertically and horizontally and unfold.



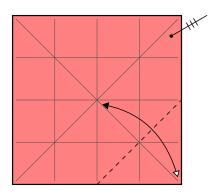
02. Fold the edge of the paper to the crease made in Step 01 and unfold. Repeat this step to the other three edges.



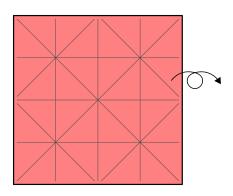
03. The result of step 02. Turn the model over.



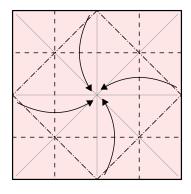
04. Fold along the diagonals of the square and unfold.



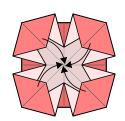
05. Bring the corner of the square to the center and unfold. Repeat this step to the other three corners.



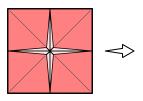
06. The result of step 05. Turn the model over.



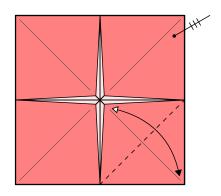
07. Collapse the model by bringing the edges of the paper to the center using existing creases from steps 02 and 05. See the next step for details.



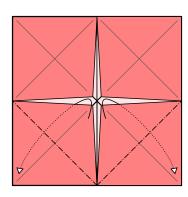
08. Collapse in progress. Bring the flaps the center of the model.



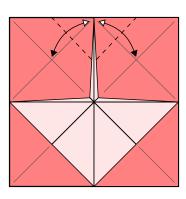
09. The result of steps 01-08. The resulting model is known as a *windmill base*, which can be used to make Fröbel Squares.



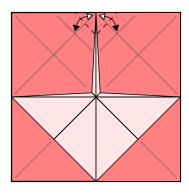
10. Diagram enlarged. Fold the flap in the center of the model to the outer corner and unfold. Repeat this step to the other three flaps.



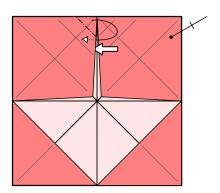
11. Tuck the two lower flaps behind using the creases made in the previous step. This will make the bottom of the heart.



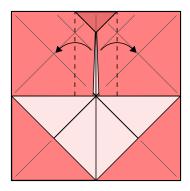
12. Fold the flaps at the top edge of the model to their respective crease intersections, made in Steps 04 and 10, and unfold.



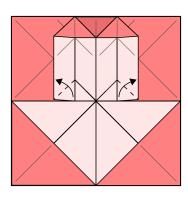
13. Fold the flaps at the top edge of the model to their respective crease intersections, made in Steps 10 and 12, and unfold.



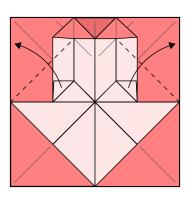
14. Reverse-fold the flap using the creases made in the previous step. Repeat this step with the other flap.



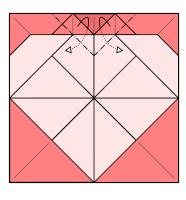
15. Fold the two inner edges to their respective crease intersections, made in Steps 04 and 10.



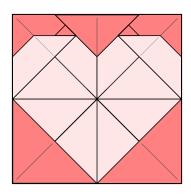
16. Fold the corners to the white edge as shown using existing creases from Step 04.



17. Fold the flaps to the edge of the model as shown using existing creases from Step 10.



18. Tuck the two upper flaps behind using the creases made in Step 12. This will make the top of the heart.



19. Completed Heart Motif of Fröbel Square.



COMPLEMENTARY—Make two of this model, each of which from the same type of paper, but with each starting from a different side of the paper. Notice how stacking the models on top of each other creates an interesting pattern as shown.