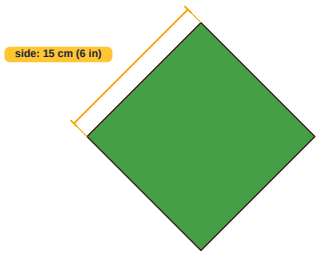
Easy Origami Leaf

Simple step-by-step paper folding art. Ages 4+ (6+ alone)

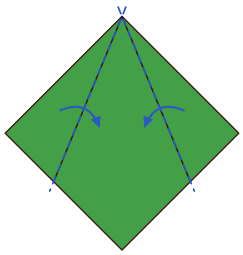
Watch the folds

1 Get a square



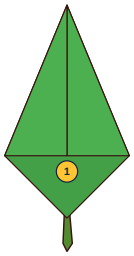
Use a 15 cm (6 in) square, colored side up. Turn it so a corner points up, like a diamond.

2 Make the kite



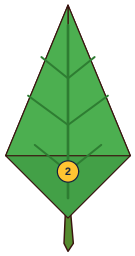
Crease the diamond from top to bottom and open it. Fold both top edges in to that line.

3 Glue on the stem



Marker 1: Cut out the stem from the pieces page, with a grown-up helping, and glue them on.

4 Draw the middle vein



Marker 2: draw a line up the middle of the leaf, with curved veins branching off it.

5 Add the dew



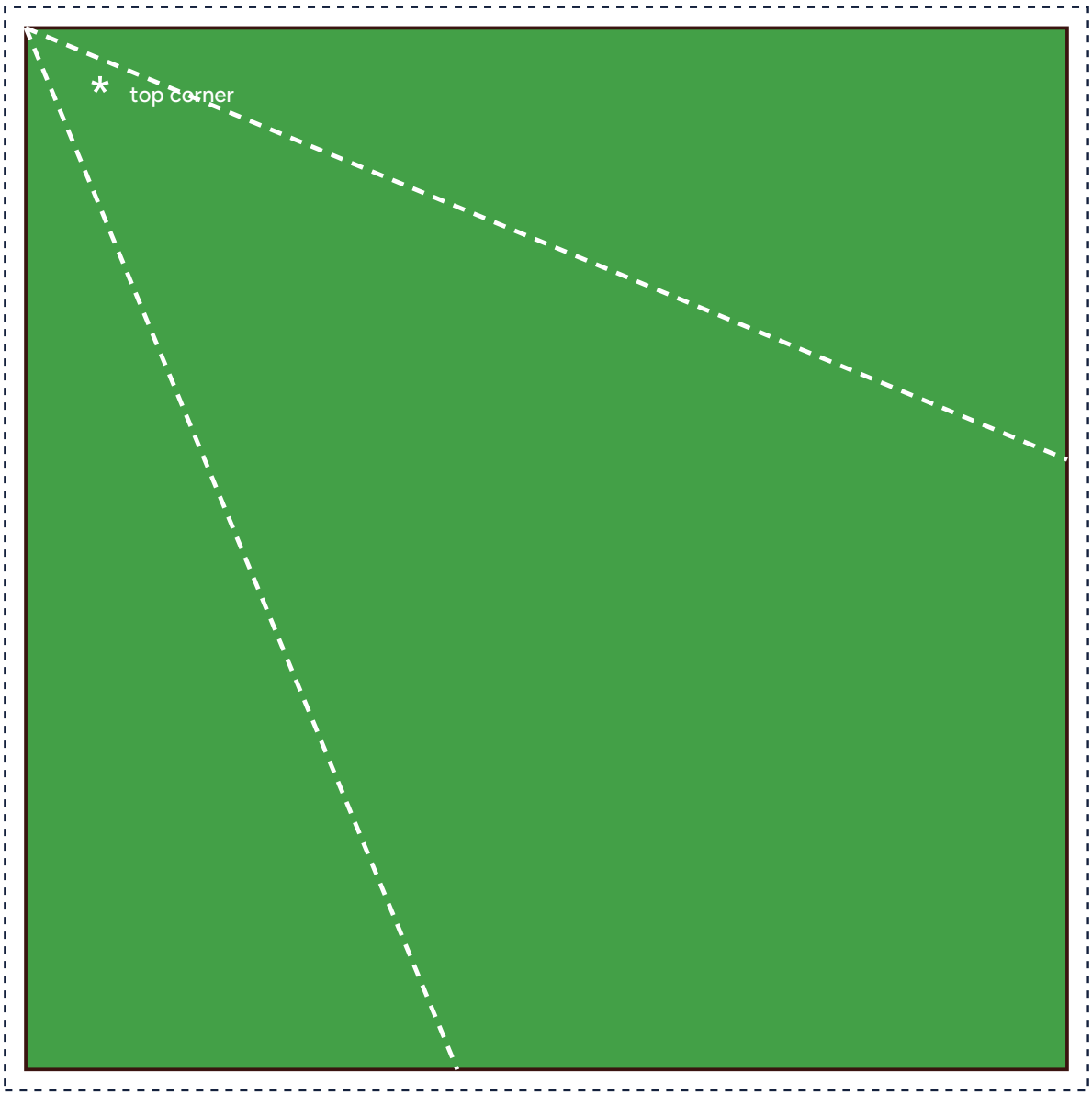
Marker 3: draw a few shiny dew drops on the leaf.

Ready-to-fold leaf paper

Cut out the square along the dashed line. That is the only cutting. Start with the printed side up. Turn it so the corner marked with a star points up, like a diamond, then follow the steps. The dashed lines show your first fold.

Watch the folds

cut on the dashed line



Print at 100% (actual size). The square is 15 cm (6 in). The back is white.

Pieces for your leaf

Cut out each piece along the dashed line, with a grown-up helping. Glue it on where the step picture shows it. Print at 100% (actual size).

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Stem

Tip: a glue stick works best. Hold each piece for a few seconds.

Color your own leaf

Color the finished model and practise the drawn details here.

Watch the folds

