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Desktop Christmas Tree

If your desktop is looking a little lacklustre, spend ten minutes creating your very own paper Christmas tree! You can use any leftover leaflets lying around the office to construct this easy origami tree.

You will need:

Paper -
Scissors -
Glue -

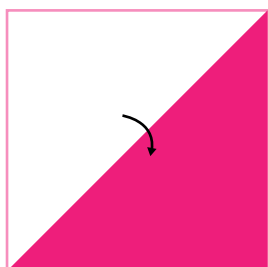
Step 1



Take a square of paper.

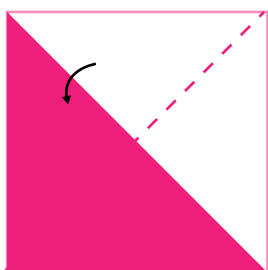
(You can fold your leaflet into triangle to make a square shape!)

Step 2



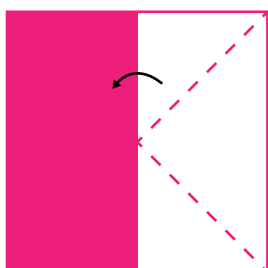
Start by folding the paper diagonally to create a triangle.

Step 3



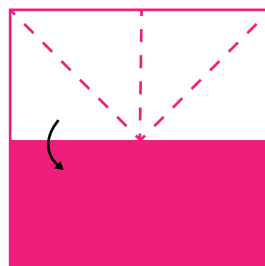
Unfold and repeat in the opposite direction.

Step 4



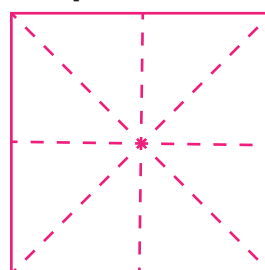
Unfold and fold in half to make a rectangle.

Step 5



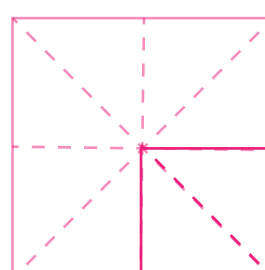
Unfold again and repeat in opposite direction.

Step 6



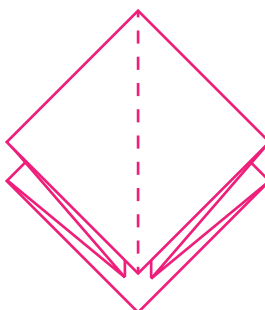
Unfold so that you have your original square with these creases.

Step 7

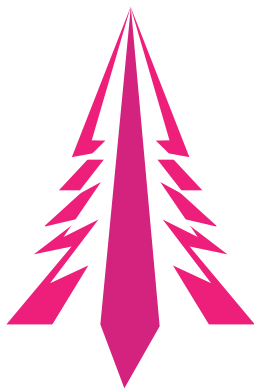


Pushing the diagonal lines inwards together, you should fold a square/diamond shape.

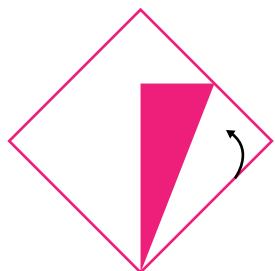
Step 8



This should be the outcome. Either side should be one folded piece of paper and another square on the bottom.

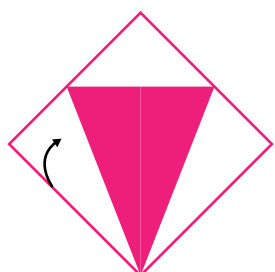


Step 9



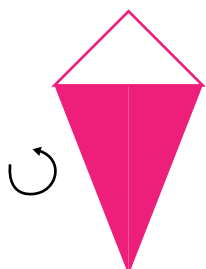
Taking one flap, fold the bottom right long edge into the centre line.

Step 10



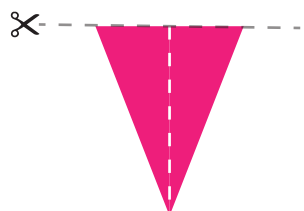
Repeat with the right hand side flap.

Step 11



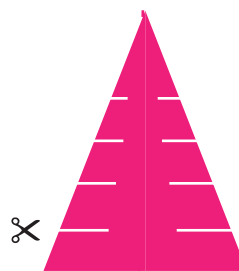
Turn over and repeat steps 9 and 10.

Step 12



Cut off the visible flaps coming out of the diamond like so.

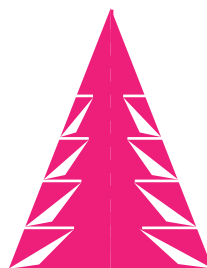
Step 13



Open the paper up and refold in an concertina effect.

Using scissors, cut parallel lines half way into each flap.

Step 14



Taking the most inner cut, fold it downwards finishing the point and the top of the next slit.

Do this to every visible slit.

Step 15



Invert the fold so that it sits inside the space below. The branches will now take shape.

Step 16



Spread out flaps accordingly and enjoy!

(You can glue the insides so it stays supported!)

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Diamant Decoration

Diamonds are anyone's best friend – especially when it's time to festify the office! Use old flyers and leaflets to create a string of these amazing 3D diamonds to hang in the window or dangle your diamonds from the ceiling for a fancy feel.

You will need:

x2 Paper -
Scissors -
Glue -

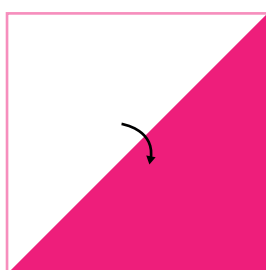
Step 1



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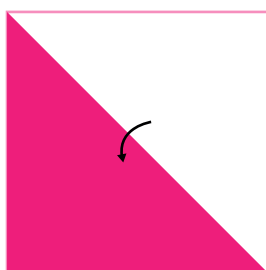
(You can fold your leaflet into triangle to make a square shape!)

Step 2



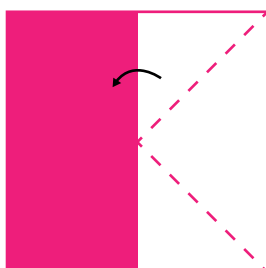
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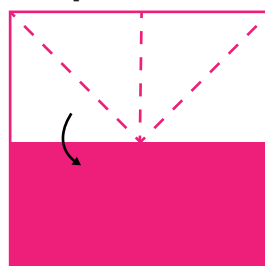
Unfold and repeat in the opposite direction.

Step 4



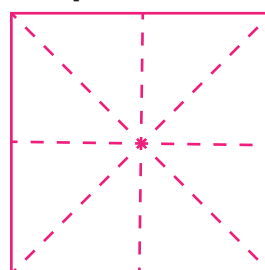
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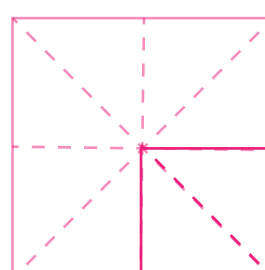
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Step 6



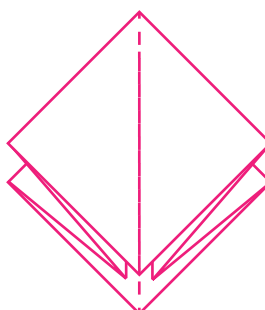
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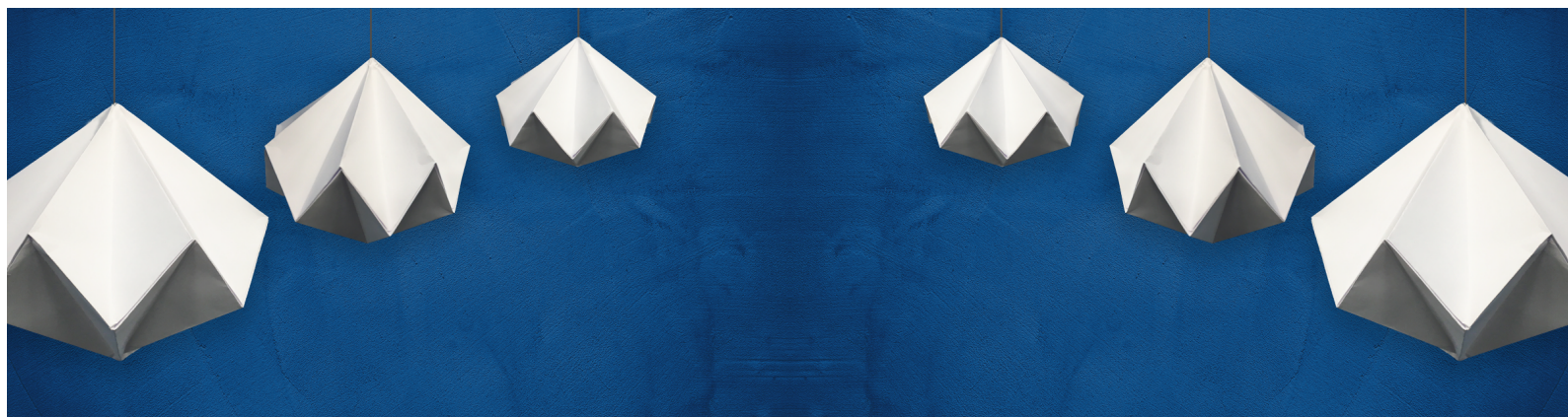


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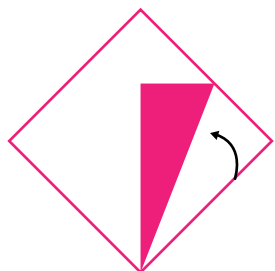
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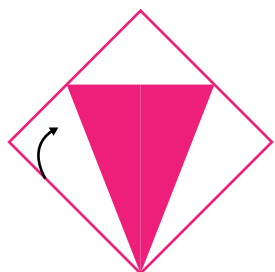


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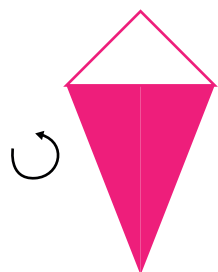
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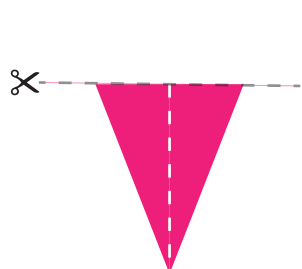
Repeat with the left hand side flap.

Step 11



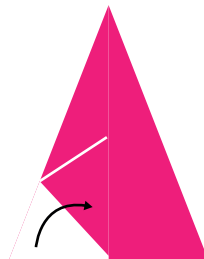
Turn over and repeat.

Step 12



Cut off the visible flaps coming out of the diamond like so.

Step 13



Unfold again and refold in an concertina effect.

Fold each flap from the bottom into the centre.

Step 14



Invert the triangles so that it creates a more 3D structure.

Step 15



Glue the two intersecting sections together to create a joint 3D shape.

(You can glue the insides so it stays supported!)

Step 16



This should be your finished outcome.