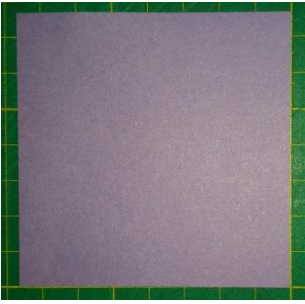
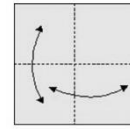
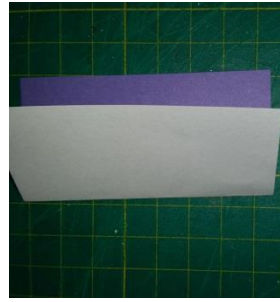


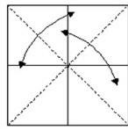
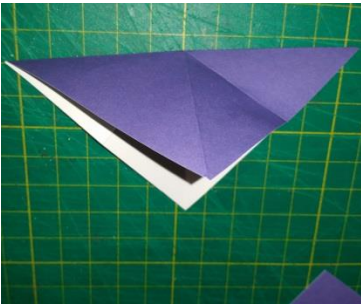
Teabag Fold Rosette



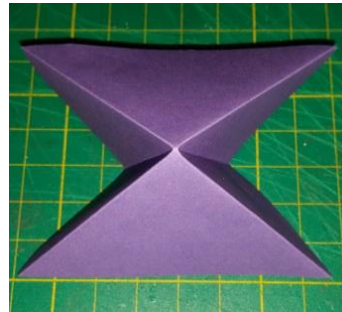
X8 (10cm) squares of patterned paper needed. Coloured/patterned side facing up.



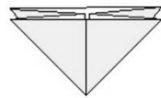
Fold in half top to bottom (forms a *valley* fold), unfold, fold in half side to side.



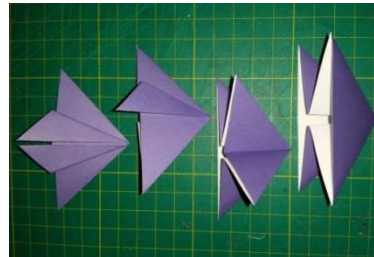
Turn so uncoloured side is now facing up. Fold in half diagonally (forms a *mountain* fold), unfold, fold in half on opposite diagonal.



Unfold and place coloured side facing up. Push in toward the centres along valley fold so the mountain folds are forced upwards.



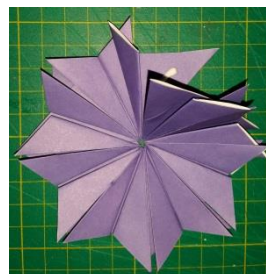
Squash flat on its side, repeat for remaining seven squares. This is the starting point for most teabag folds with more styles online.



Fold the outside edges to the centre line to form a kite shape when both are folded in.



Add PVA glue, same side each time and interlock together one at a time. Using PVA glue allows a short amount of time to be able to slide the pieces together to match up neatly especially if using patterned teabag papers. There is nearly always a tiny gap left in the centre which can be covered with an embellishment



The rosette can be left as is with points, but if preferred can be trimmed into an octagon, circle or square.

Teabag folding is also known as kaleidoscopic origami. The technique was developed in the 1990s in the Netherlands by an artist playing around with colourful teabag wrapper envelopes when a quick birthday card was needed.

From then on it has developed into the wonderful colourful craft it is now.