

# Origami gift box

We've all been shopping online- this is a great way to use up some of that excess packing paper!

## You will need:

Scissors

Two squares of paper, one 1inch larger than the other – I used 13-inch and 12-inch squares.

## Method:

Start with the smaller square – this will make the box part. Fold in half along the diameter.

Turn the paper 90° and fold again. Open out.

Take a corner and fold into centre

Do the same for the other corners, your paper will look like this.

Take a straight edge and fold lengthways into centre as shown. Do the same for the other sides and then unfold your paper.

Take 2 of the opposite corners and fold into the centre

See the highlighted lines and cut as shown. (technically you don't cut with origami, but this is a lot easier!)

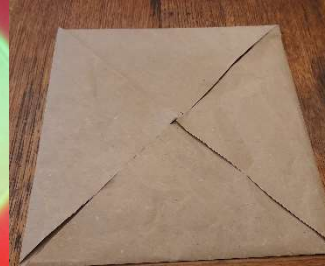
Bring the box sides upright then take the outer cut pieces and fold inwards as shown.

Lift one of the remaining flaps and fold into the centre, this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> side.

Do the same for the fourth side. This the completed box!

To make the lid, repeat the same process but fold over the sides one more time to strengthen them. Make a neat crease, and this is your lid

Time to decorate. I painted with gold acrylic poster paint and then used felt pens to add hearts. I finished with a reused Christmas ribbon!



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