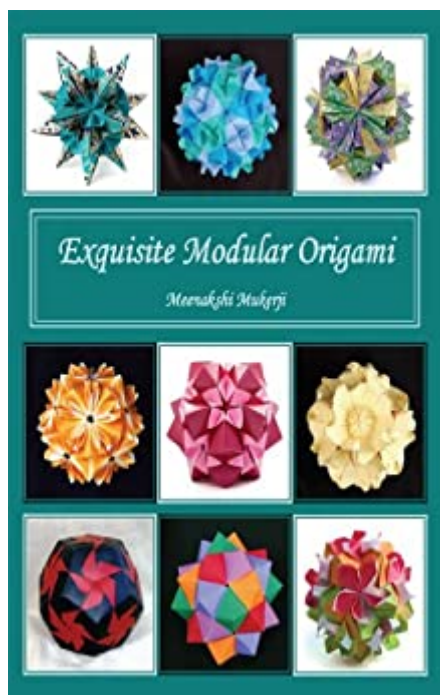


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# Exquisite Modular Origami



## Synopsis

This is a step by step how-to book for making modular origami models based on polyhedra. You will be amazed that these stunning models are made out of something as ordinary paper. Author Meenakshi Mukerji is the winner of Origami USA's 2005 Florence Temko Award. You are bound to love this book if you love origami, polyhedra, symmetry, geometry, and mathematics. Or you will simply love it. The models presented here are proven favorites, the diagrams having been wanted by fans worldwide. Expect hours of enjoyment folding over a dozen models and learn about polyhedra while you enjoy. Remember to visit the author's popular origami website, <http://www.origamee.net>. Some praise for her previous books in the same subject, *Marvelous Modular Origami* (2007), *Ornamental Origami: Exploring 3D Geometric Designs* (2009), and *Origami Inspirations* (2010) is below:

• "Meenakshi's work is both intricate and lovely. She's greatly respected in the origami world, one of the well-known world leaders in modular origami. Her books offer a nice exposition of the mathematical elements, but you're not being hit over the head with math lessons. You learn things without even realizing that you have."

• "Robert Lang, world's leading origami artist "A whole book [Origami Inspirations] full of amazingly attractive new modular pieces, highly recommended to all modular folders and those wanting to dabble in this pastime. High standard of diagramming and model novelty applied throughout."

• "David Petty, British Origami Society "Mukerji presents yet another colorfully illustrated book, *Origami Inspirations*, showing in clear diagrams how to make complex three-dimensional figures by folding paper."

• "SciTech Book News "Ornamental Origami is a wonderful book for both math and origami lovers alike. The author provides, clear descriptions and beautiful photographs."

• "MAA Reviews "Ornamental Origami is essentially a study of polyhedra but in a way that brings out the symmetry in subtle ways. It builds up very complicated results from simple modules so that even a beginner in origami can follow and learn about polyhedral symmetry by assembling them. It should definitely find a place in school teaching or mathematics clubs."

• "John Sharp, The London Mathematical Society Newsletter

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The book does its job but wasn't happy to see no colored photos of the models inside and not every model is pictured inside which also took me by surprise. When they say don't judge a book by its cover it means exactly that. The cover looks great on this book but could be better.

Very cool book. Reasonably clear diagrams. Both the folding and the assembly of these models are very complicated and time consuming. A typical model requires 30 or so pieces of paper with advanced folding techniques and then an even more difficult assembly of the pieces. The results are spectacular, though. Just make sure you have plenty of good paper in multiple colors.

I have all the books of Meenakshi Mukerji, and I think this is the best. The models are easy to fold and beauty to see when they are finished. I hope there will be more books after this one.

Some of these pieces turn out to be surprisingly large and not easily reduced due to math format, and author assumptions. Like many experts it is difficult getting from A to J sometimes. Interval steps occasionally go unaddressed in my opinion. This book could use higher color differentiation and information about size of completed pieces. I absolutely would buy it again because it is fun, and recommend it. If I were a better folder, I perhaps would find this perfectly lucid. Any fan of modular would appreciate this.

I think this book is good for people just beginning origami and people who are more knowledgeable

about it. The designs are cute and the steps are easy to follow. That being said the book itself is kind of a disaster it does not look like it went through any official editing process and I don't think I would give this book as a gift because of that, but I bought it for myself and it was perfect for that.

I feel like there should be more designs here. There are about 15 designs, most of them very slight variations over others. The figures are nice, and very explanatory. A lot of them use non-square paper, so that's another star off. But I shouldn't expect so much from a 10 dollar book I guess.

Don't get me wrong, the models in here are great and turn out awesome even at the first try. My only gripe is that final model pictures are of pretty low quality. I don't feel like they really show what the model will look like at the end. I had to have faith, make the model and appreciate afterwards. As opposed to seeing something awesome and wanting to make it.

This book has some very good ideas. A lot of the projects I've seen in Meenakshi Mukerji's other books. They are beautiful projects, but this book is not as high a quality as the other books. The instructions are easy to read but not too many photos, or just black & white photos - color makes a world of difference. This author has some very good ideas, if you have all of the other books by this author, then you don't necessarily need to buy this one. Although, this is a very good buy for the price.

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