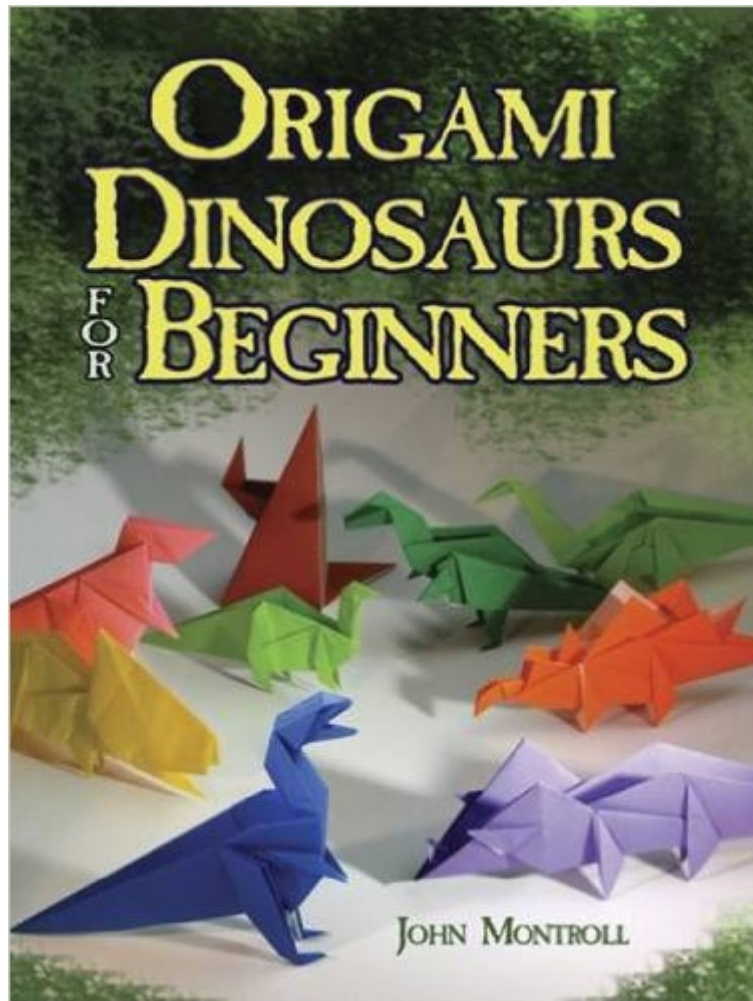


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# Origami Dinosaurs For Beginners (Dover Origami Papercraft)



## Synopsis

An internationally renowned origami master recaptures the prehistoric allure of dinosaurs with this new series of original models. Twenty famous and lesser-known creatures from the Mesozoic era include a tyrannosaurus, apatosaurus, pterodactylus, dimetrodon, quetzalcoatlus, and protoceratops. John Montroll designed these striking models with beginning paperfolders in mind. Based on his famous single-square, no-cuts, no-glue approach, they range from the very easy to the low-intermediate level. Each model features helpful diagrams and easy-to-follow instructions.

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Age Range: 3 - 11 years

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## Customer Reviews

I am ordering the second book because I left my copy with my son's grandparents. The book has very good introduction, quick practice of kite, squash etc. folds; without knowing these it would be very difficult to follow rest of the book. I practiced with my son (~4.5 yrs) the basic folds first...he of course could follow only the most basic folds and up to some point....then we folded dinosaurs going by instruction, mostly I folded them and it was a lot of fun. It was still difficult for me to shape the small feet, and some of the heads (T-rex, with opened mouth) I could not do. But being a beginner (pretty much never done much origami), I could make fair number of designs in this book. Also, it was fun to watch my son imitate the folds (of course doing it in his own way) and name them "kite

fold", "squash fold" etc., then fold the paper by his own imagination and then explain to me that it is pterodactyl. He also invented his own technique which he still called "origami" in which he cuts out dinosaur body parts from recycled paper and sticks them together with stickers (or skotch tape) forming a dinosaur (kind of crafts, but for us this evolved from trying to do real origami). This technique he could use independently to create various dinosaurs without my help. I am happy with the content of the book and that it stimulated lots of creative activity.

The "for beginners" is why I purchased this book, for my 7 year old son, and this book is far from being for beginners. I couldn't make any sense out of the directions. Definitely not a beginners book.

I love the idea of origami dinosaurs, and so do my kids. I'm definitely a beginner level paper folder, but not a complete novice, and I can't make heads or tails (no pun intended) of several of these patterns. Neither can my teens who also do a little origami. My kids would love to make the T. rex, but I can't figure it out no matter how many times I try it.

I've done origami for years. If you're really new to origami, you might have trouble with this. The designs are cute though. If you've had enough experience you can "figure out" instructions, you should be fine. There were some that I had to really look at to understand.

Purchased this for my daughter who is beginning to explore origami. The instructions are clear and make sense, though I wish there could be a better illustration for the squash fold (a basic fold in the foundation for most of the dinosaurs) and ended up needing to look up a video. Otherwise everything was very well illustrated, and if you're familiar with origami or the squash fold, you'll be making these folded dinos in no time.

For being "beginners" I found it challenging. I purchased this for my 12 year old and he had trouble as well. It's a great gift or purchase if you have a knack for this sort of thing. We bought another beginner set that was much easier!

Great beginner to intermediate origami folding book. Instructions and diagrams are very clear. The only ones that gave me a small problem was the Tyrannosaurus and Gorgosaurus, which had open mouths. I used a larger paper to practice prying open the mouth and got the hang of it. The book have 21 dinosaurs and a Jurassic tree, a mountain and a volcano. I did all the dinosaurs in under

three days. A few I had to use tweezers to form the arms and/or feet when using 6" x 6" paper.

The designs are quite simple, so it is easy for my 7 year old son to build confidence. I like how the designs build up in complexity as well, first teaching simple shapes and then moving to more advanced ones.

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