Cactus : Prickly pear [Assembly Instructions]

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Gaze at this beautiful cactus paper craft for a moment and you will find yourself in a relaxed, tranquil mood.
It's the perfect decoration for any room. Also looks great when displayed with a notocactus uebelmannianus or columnar cactus.
The prickly pear is a fan-shaped cactus belonging to the opuntieae tribe, native to south-western America and Mexico.
In summer it bears yellow flowers, and it is known for its stalk and reddish-purple fruit which can both be used as food.

Instructions

1 : Carefully cut out the parts.
2 : Fold along the dotted lines, making mountain or valley folds as indicated.
3 : Follow the order indicated in the instructional diagrams, and attach the parts to assemble.
4 : Assemble all the pieces together, and you're done!

Caution

- Keep glue away from small children.
- Be careful not to cut your fingers when using scissors.
- Be careful not to cut yourself on the edges of the paper.
- Keep the completed model away from sources of heat.

Tools

Scissors
Glue (We recommend craft glue.)
Ruler
A used ball-point pen

Assembly tip

Trace along the folds with a ruler and a used pen (no ink) to get a sharper, easier fold.

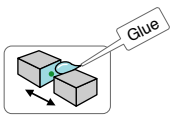
Explanation of Symbols

Solid line : Scissors line

Mountain fold

Red solid line : Cut in line

Valley fold



The glue spot (colored dot) shows where to apply the glue.

- Glue spot (Green dot)
  Glue within the same part.
- Glue spot (Blue dot)
  Glue to the rear of the other part.
- Glue spot (Red dot)
  Put glue on the reverse side.

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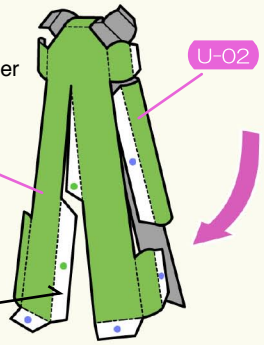
1 Assemble the cactus main part

Assemble the main part of the cactus by gluing it together at the reverse side.



Do not put glue on the center glue tab yet.

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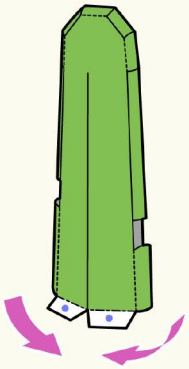
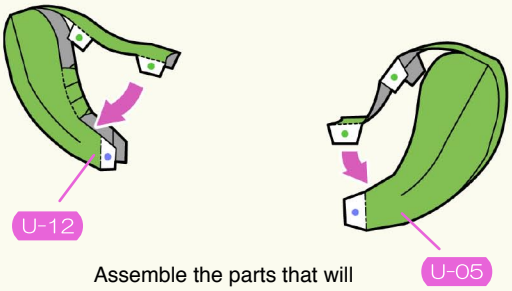


Glue the center glue tab.

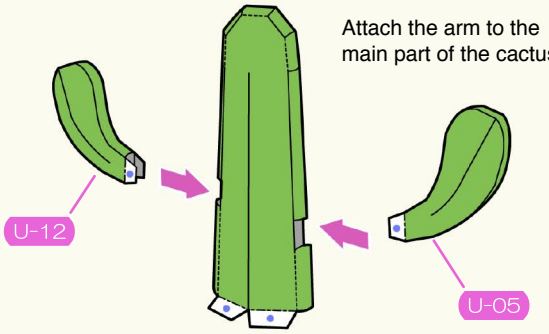
3 Assemble the arms



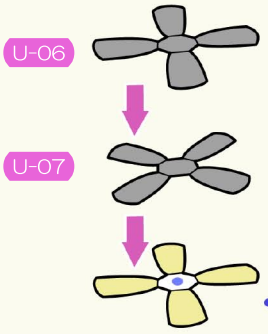
Assemble the parts that will become the "arms."

4 Attach the arms

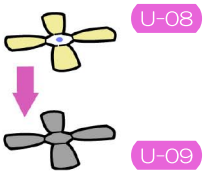
Attach the arm to the main part of the cactus



5 Assemble the flower (large)



Glue the front and back of the flower together.



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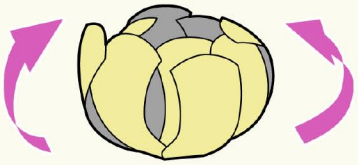

Use a cylindrical rod to curve the petals, and adjust their shape. The printed side of the paper should be on the outside.

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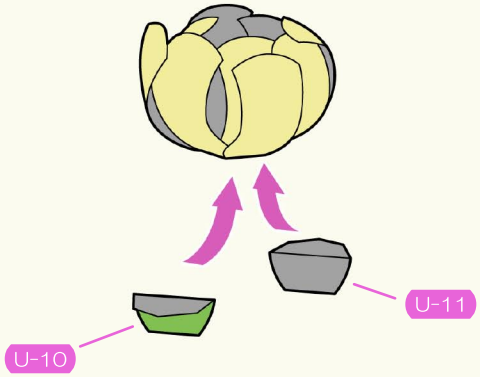
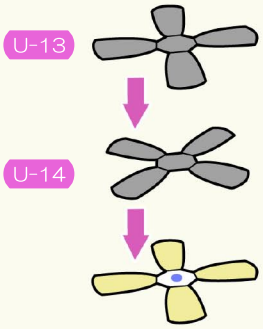


8 Assemble the flower (small)



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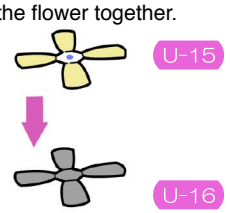

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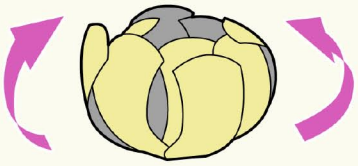

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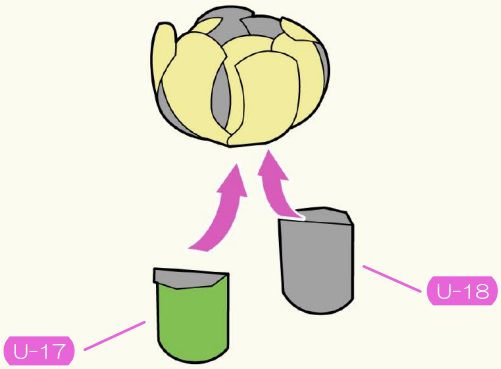
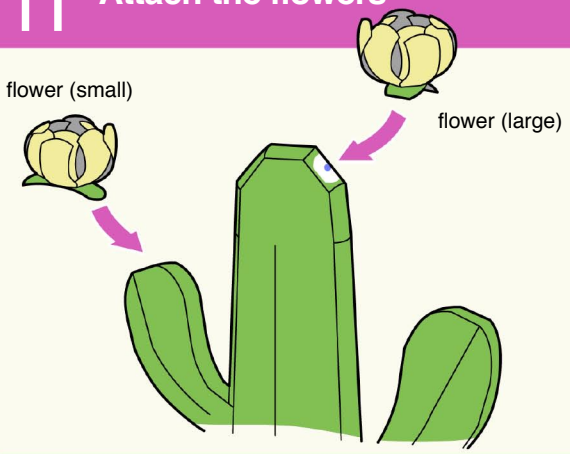


11 Attach the flowers



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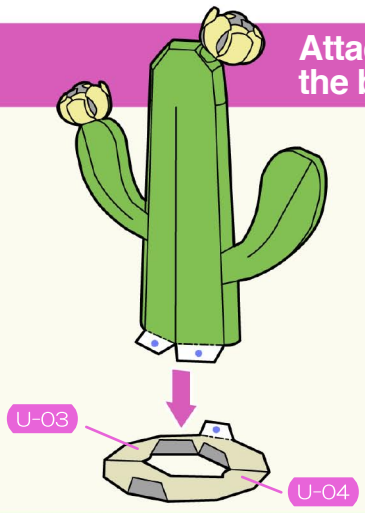

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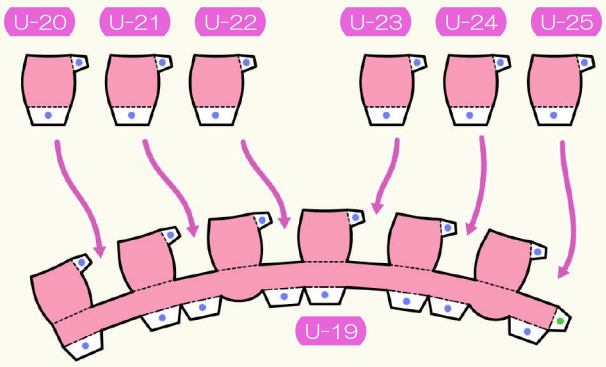
13 Assemble the pot



Assemble the round rim of the pot.

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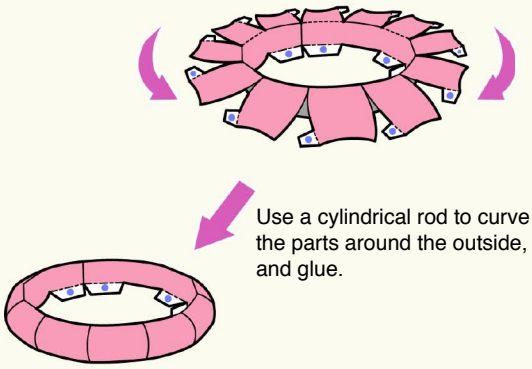
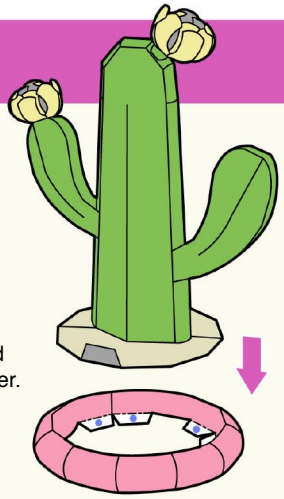


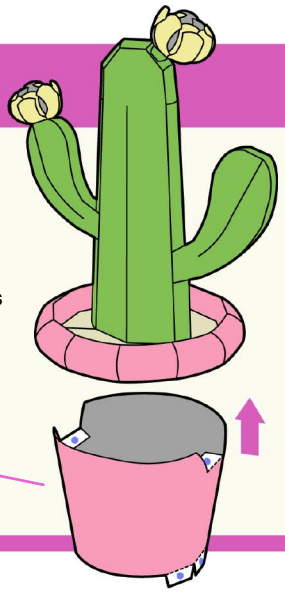
Use a cylindrical rod to curve the parts around the outside, and glue.

15 Attach the pot - 1



Attach the base part and the rim of the pot together.

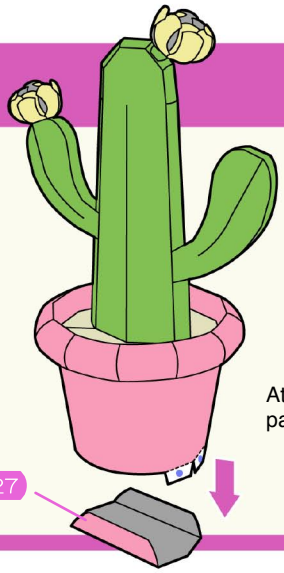
16 Attach the pot - 2



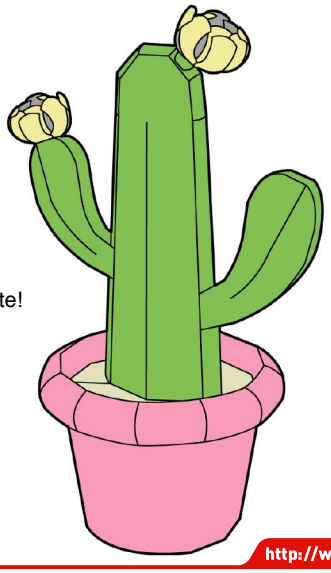
Attach the [U-26] glue tabs to the bottom of the base.

Assemble by curving into a cylindrical shape.

17 Attach the pot - 3



Attach the reinforcing part to the pot.



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