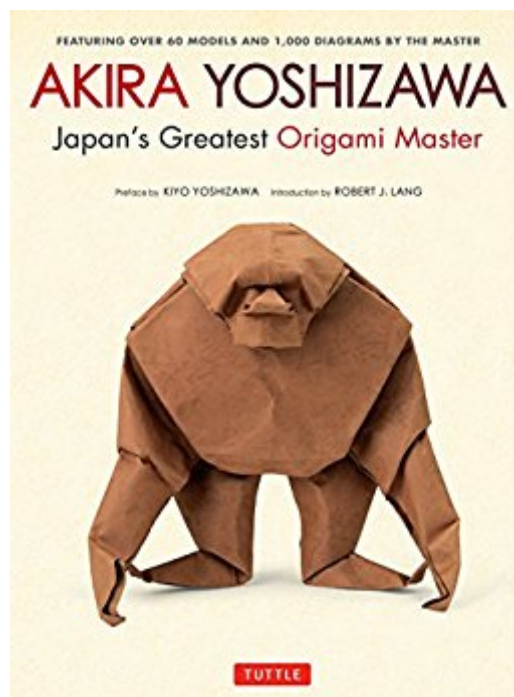




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Akira Yoshizawa, Japan's Greatest Origami Master: Featuring Over 60 Models And 1000 Diagrams By The Master



Synopsis

This collection of projects by the "father of modern origami" contains detailed instructions for 60 of the master's original works. Master origami artist Akira Yoshizawa was a true innovator who played a seminal role in the rebirth of origami in the modern world. He served as a bridge between past and presentâ "between the ancient traditional craft and the development of origami as a modern practiceâ "in terms of inventing new techniques and in preserving the traditional Japanese forms. In fact, the notational system of diagrams widely used today to indicate how models are folded was largely invented by him. Above all, Yoshizawa was responsible for elevating origami to the status of an art form. This beautiful origami book is the first comprehensive survey of the extraordinary work of Akira Yoshizawa. In addition to 60 models from his private collection, it features over 1,000 original drawings by the artist, and English translations of his writings in Japanese on origami, all of which are published here for the very first time. Origami projects include: The Koinobori and the Helmet Butterflies of Every Kind Fairy Tale Crowns and Caps The Lion Mask The Tengu Masks and many more! Akira Yoshizawa also contains an explanation of the Master's personal philosophy of origami by Yoshizawa's widow, Kiyo Yoshizawa and an insightful introduction from Robert Lang, a leading artist and exponent of origami art in the West.

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Beautifully illustrated, this is one of my favorite origami books of undoubtably one of the greatest masters of this art. This is an outstanding text that belongs in any serious collector of origami books.

Wonderful book. There's a wide spectrum of models that aren't too complex for an average folder like me.

Love it. This is a beautiful book, and a book to work through. Well written and explained, it only deepens my appreciation, awe, and love of this noble art. It is on my summer list and I am sure I will learn a lot in my meandering there.

This book is a total disappointment for me. It is from a big name and got referenced by one of the most prominent origami-scientists of today. One would expect to see a few decent models or teaching of design. You get next to none, other than the earliest basic models. For the same price, at least you will get a book on more substantial models. This book is well decorated with lots of past glory kind of clips (which yields no benefit apart from ad hypes of past publications of all sort!) It might be that it is too expensive to get copy rights of the Master's designs/patterns. In this book, little is given. I have not opened it more than 5 times, wanting to return it. What is the point of selling the Master's work and at the same time keeping it off limit to the buyer/learners. This book is just a sale filler! The extra star is for the printing quality.

The book is good, lots of easy to follow diagrams. However, the book I received looks like it had been dropped a couple of times prior to being boxed and shipped. Two of the corners have significant damage.

absolutely splendid. wonderful book, more than satisfied. with the service as well. thank you

My wife practices origami and loved getting this book. Yoshizawa Sensei was a living national treasure in Japan and his work is revered in the origami community.

I am pleasantly surprised at how beautiful this book is. It makes a great gift for art, book and origami lovers alike.

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