

Folding Instructions for Toad Hollow Studio's Origami Bookmark

(Work on a solid surface and crease each fold with the back or your fingernail or something hard.)

- 1. Cut along the outer square's dotted lines.
- 2. With the image facing you, fold down along the four diagonal dotted lines around the bookmark. The corner tips of the outer square should meet in the center back of the bookmark when you're done.
- 3. Holding the folded paper with the image facing you, fold down along the long outside edges of the bookmark.
- 4. With the bookmark facing downward, you'll see one unfolded line on the inside of each flap. Fold the tips of the flaps toward the bookmark along that inside line. The tips will meet at the center back of the bookmark.
- 5. Now you'll see another unfolded line near the tip of each flap. Fold each tip away from bookmark along that line.
- 6. The pre-folding is now done. Let the flaps unfold naturally, pick up both halves of one side of the back of the bookmark with your thumbs, then refold a flap and tuck it under the back in accordion fashion. Tuck the other side and you're done!

The front of the bookmark should look like this,



and the back should look like this.



If your bookmark doesn't look like this, you have my permission to use scissors and tape.

This origami design was created by Carol Rosinski way back in 1999.