# Bowhead Whale 

Bowhead whales are the largest Arctic marine mammals, but eat tiny copepods and krill. They can live for 200 years, and sing complex songs under the ice in winter. They are slowly recovering from centuries of commercial whaling.

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1. Fold and unfold the diagonals.

2. Fold the lower edges to the vertical crease, then unfold.

3. Start refolding the top and bottom creases on the left half of the square, as shown.

4. Fold the upper edges to the vertical crease, then unfold.

5. Pinch the horizontal crease on the left and flatten the corner upwards.

6. Repeat steps 5 and 6 on the right.

7. Turn the paper over.

8. Fold the left half onto the right half.

9. Rotate the paper anticlockwise $1 / 4$ of a turn.

10. Mountain-fold the corner underneath. Repeat behind.
11. Fold the corner down so that the
12. Fold the corner down so that the
folded edge becomes vertical and lies along the crease shown.


13. Fold the triangular flap to the right. Repeat behind.
14. Fold the corner up and to the left to make the flipper.


15. Mountain-fold the top corner inside at an angle. Repeat behind.
16. Reverse-fold the corner on the left upwards.

17. Squash-fold the corner to make a flat tail.

18. Mountain-fold the tip underneath.
