NIGHTWATCH
A small origami owl to keep an eye on a gentle slumber

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1. (body color down) Precrease both diagonals. Keep the horizontal one folded.

2. Valley fold the outer tips to the bottom one.

3. (zoom in) Precrease a new diagonal line (upper layers only).

4. Bring the lower tips to the left and right and make a pinch on both sides.

5. Fold both flaps up. Start at the center and align the pinches with the diagonal.

6. Unfold to step 2.

7. (zoom out) Reverse fold the flaps for the eyes in and out.

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8. (zoom in) Squash fold both flaps to start forming the eyes.

9. Fold the lower tips of both eyes up to get a color change.

11. Precrease two angle bisectors up to the upper edges of the hidden layer (dotted lines).

10. Close the eyes to fold some paper out of the way for the next steps.

15. Fold in both outer flaps, following the edges created in step 13.

12. Fold the upper layers to the precreases made in step 11. Crease all the way through.

13. Fold in the flaps for the eyes, following the edges created in step 12.

14. Fold the top tip down to the edges of the hidden layers (dotted lines).

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17. Fold the lower tips (two layers) up to meet the beak.

18. Mountain fold the model in half.

19. (zoom in) Precrease the forehead and belly. Unfold to step 17.

20. (zoom out) Open the model to sink the forehead. The model becomes 3D. Arrange the hidden layers to the front.

21. Valley fold both ears, supporting the sections from within with a fingertip.

22. Shape the lower back by crimping and then mountain folding along existing creases.

23. (zoom in) This is the result. Note the position of the hidden layers (dotted lines). Repeat on the front to shape the belly.

24. Optionally curl the wings to shape them.

25. Your owl can now watch over your sleep. Sweet dreams!

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