

# Origami Wishing Stars

## MATERIAL NEEDED:

- \* Origami paper (or thin coloured cartridge paper): a strip of at least 20cmX1.5cm for each star
- \* Scissors (if you need to cut the sheets of paper into strips)
- \* A pen (to write your wish inside the star)
- \* A jar (optional: only if you want to collect all the stars in a decorative way)



An easy craft coming from eastern traditions, can seem tricky at a first glance, but it is easy to master after a couple of attempts. A cute idea as a present or an unconventional Christmas Decoration. Cut your sheet of paper in strips, write a wish (or a quote, or a resolution) on the plain side of the paper (if you are using origami paper). Then create the 3D star shape following the instructions step by step:

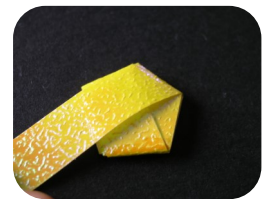
1. Make a loose knot close to one end of the strip.



2. Tighten it up and press it down



3. Fold the short tail in (and you will have a pentagon with a long tail)



4. Start folding the long tail over the pentagon. Follow the natural direction of the shape



5. Carry on folding until you are able to secure the end of the tail and tuck it in



7. Press on to the sides of your pentagon with both hands so to make it become a star



**WELL DONE!**

8. You can collect your wishes stars in a nice mason jar and use it as an unusual Christmas Decoration

