



# Accordion Fold 03

## QUADRUPLE FOLD (INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGES 16-17)

A quadruple accordion fold is a double accordion fold carried one step further to produce multiple copies of the same pattern. This technique also multiplies your paper cutting enjoyment. However, the thicker your paper is folded, the tighter you'll have to hold on to it while cutting.

### HOW TO CUT THE ROW OF TREES PATTERN



#### FOLD

1. Start with a 6"-square piece of paper. Fold the paper in half, then make two more folds as shown above. Crease it, making sure that you have alternating mountain and valley folds.



#### DRAW

2. With the folds of the paper on the left and right, draw the pattern on the paper or enlarge it with a photocopier and staple or glue it to the folded paper.



#### CUT

3. Quadruple accordion folds are thick, making it easier to cut with an X-Acto knife than with scissors. For efficiency, cut the lines in groups by the direction in which they run.



4. When you have finished cutting all the lines that run in one direction, turn the paper 180° and cut the lines that run in the other direction.



5. Finish cutting and unfold the paper. If you were unable to cut some spots properly due to the thickness of the paper, trim them now with an X-Acto knife, carefully cutting away any excess paper.



#### COMPLETION

6. Review the final results.



Actual size

## Row of Trees

If you make a pattern with two halves of a different tree, you can make a row of alternating symmetrical trees. With a quadruple accordion fold, you can make more complicated patterns, such as this one, in which two different halves create alternating figures.