Assembly Guide

Animal Blocks



You can make five kinds of animals: salmon, crow, fox, Yezo sika deer, and whale.

Salmon, crows, foxes, and deer have been abundant from times past, and for the Ainu, they are a familiar presence. Salmon and deer are valuable food sources. There is also fear that these animals may disappear. This means that each and every one caught is treated with care.

Beached whales also yield enough meat and oil to feed an entire village. This means that a beached whale was a momentous and eagerly anticipated occurrence.

When you stack these blocks, you may even get a sense of the ambience of the times when these creatures flourished in nature.



- Sturdy paper
- Scissors or utility knife
 Ruler
 Pencil
 Tweezers
- Glue (Using stick glue for broad surfaces and wood glue for small and intricate pieces is recommended.)
- Pointed object, such as a ballpoint pen that has run out of ink
- Toothpicks (These are useful for applying glue thinly and to small and intricate pieces.)

How to Make

- 1. Use the pointed object to make creases along the fold lines.
- 2. Before cutting out the pieces, use the pencil to write their part numbers on the back of each.
- 3. Carefully cut out the pieces along their cut lines.
- 4. Following the instructions for outward and inward folds, fold the parts along the dotted lines.
- 5. Assemble by the attaching the pieces as shown in the diagram.

Important Notes - For Parents and Guardians

(1-A) Part number

Cut line Tab

Preschool children must be supervised by an adult and be kept in sight while assembling the item. Papercraft uses a variety of implements. To prevent unforeseen accidents, please give careful attention to the following points while enjoying crafting.

- Be very careful to avoid injury when children use scissors, utility knives, and other objects with blades.
- Be careful to ensure that small children do not put glue or adhesive in their mouths or swallow small pieces.
- This craft uses paper, which may become unusable if it gets wet. Be careful not to handle pieces with wet hands.
- Display near open flame or other heat sources can cause fire or discoloration.
- Some finished papercraft items have pointed areas. Be careful to ensure that children do not strike others with these items.

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----- Outward fold line

Apply glue

-- Inward fold line

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