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### Hishi Kite

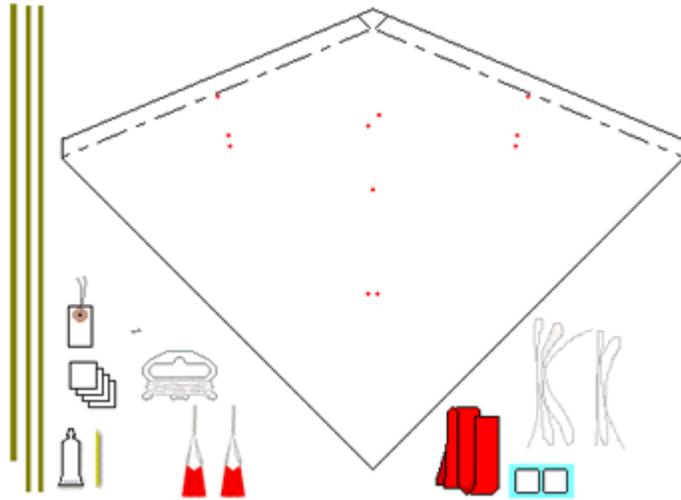


## Enjoy the Wind

Japanese kites are among the most widely appealing Japanese traditional craft Products and Japan possesses a wide variety of kites with each geographical region having developed its own unique shapes and printed designs.

Let's make a traditional kite. You can successfully make it, decorate it, fly it on the same day.

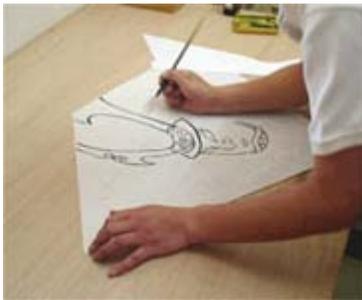
### Materials



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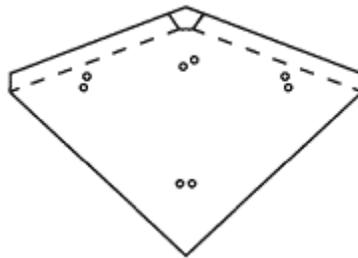
Japanese paper(Washi)	1pc.
Center spar(bamboo) 5 x 2.5 x 590L	1pc.
Cross spar(bamboo) 4 x 2.2 x 625L	2pcs.
Paper tape(square)	4pcs.
Tassel	2pcs.
Thread 1.8m long	2pcs.
Thread 75cm long	2pcs.
Z shaped hook	1pc.
Glue,Toothpick,Tag	1each
Spool of thread	1pc.

### How to make a kite.



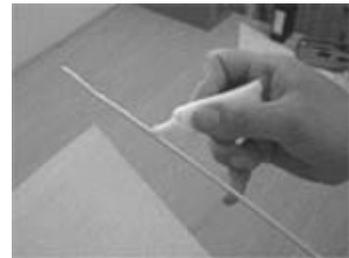
#### Decorate the paper.

Decorate the paper front with whatever design you like. The paper front is slightly slippery.



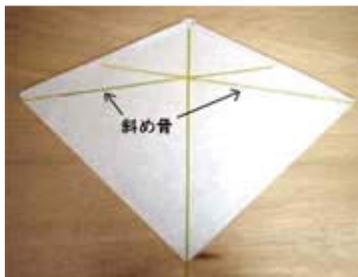
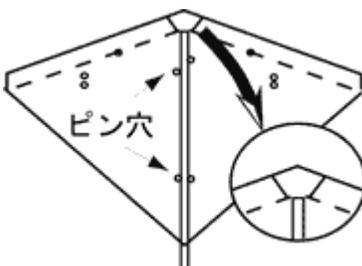
#### Fold the leading edge.

Make sure the paper is dry. Turn the paper over. Fold a dotted line inward.

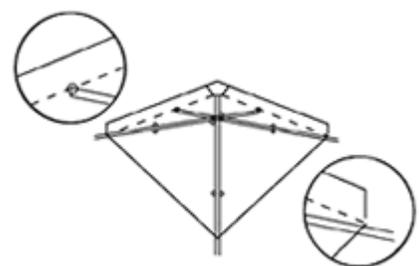


#### Attach the center spar.

Attach the spar to the paper with glue. (Do not attach the bark side of the bamboo.)

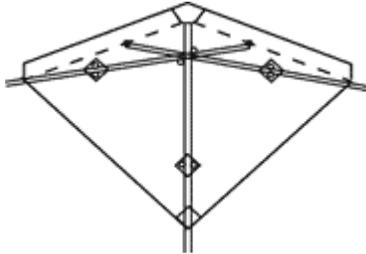


The taped end of cross spar should be side to attach tassel.



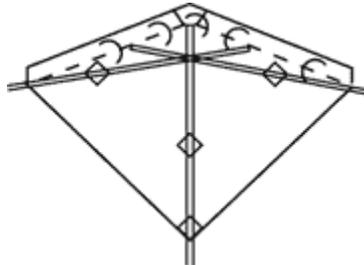
**Position the center spar.**

The pin holes are a guide when you lay the spar down.



**Attach the cross spars.**

Attach the spars to the paper with glue.(Do not attach the bark side of the bamboo.)



**Position the cross spars.**

The pin holes are a guide as shown above.



**Fix with the paper tapes.**

Fix with the paper tape at the three places where the pin holes exist and also at the bottom corner.

Dip the paper tape to water when fixing.

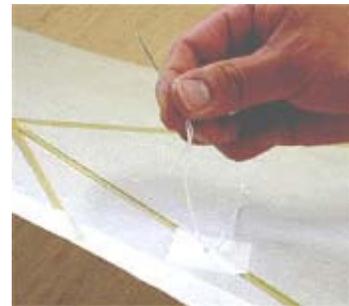
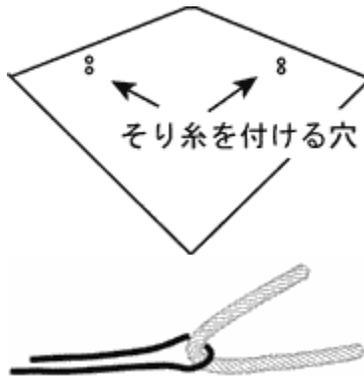


**Glue**

Glue the folded leading edge.

**Glue the top corner**

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**Attach 75cm of the thread.**

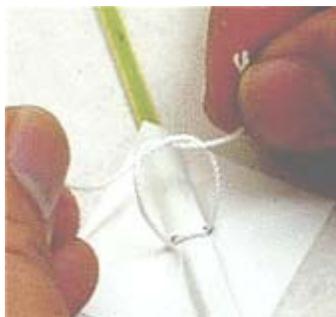
Punch holes on the paper front with a toothpick.

**Substitute for needle.**

Take off wire from the tag and use the wire.

**Beginning from the paper**

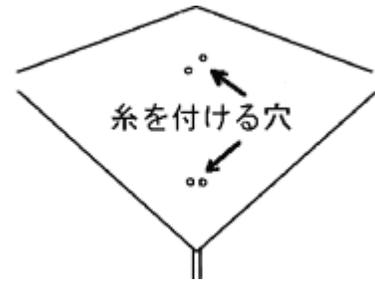
back, stitch through hole, sewing over and under cross spar.



**Make two turns.**

Leaving about 5cm, tie it twice. It is preferable to secure the knot with a drop of glue for safety.

The thread is slack when the thread has been attached. at both sides.



**Bridling kite.**

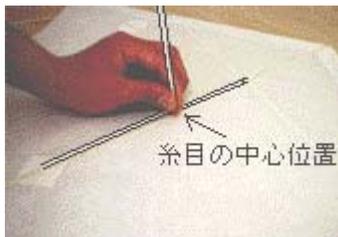
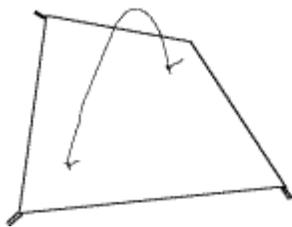
For high-flying success, the kite must have a correctly sewn and tied bridle.

**The bridle point**

A right positioned bridle is a key of well flying.

**Attach the bridle.**

Punch holes on the paper front with a toothpick. Take the same way as the attachment of 75cm thread.



**Attach the bridle.**

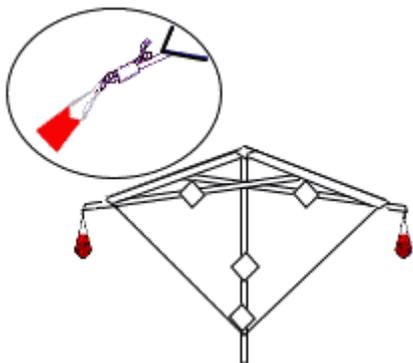
Attach a 180cm length of thread at the bridle top and the bridle bottom, shown as above.

**Find a proper pivot point.**

Find a hole 12.5cm below from the bridle top. The pivot point is positioned right over the hole (90-degree angle).

**Fix a pivot point.**

Make a loop at the pivot point, securing with knot. Tie end of flying line to bridle loop.



**Attach tassels.**

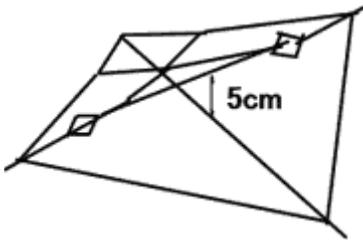
**Fit with a Z shaped hook.**

**Make the spar bend.**

Attach tassel to each end of cross spar with scotch tape.

Fit the thread, attached to cross spar, with a Z shaped hook at the center.

Pull the thread tight and make the spar bend slightly. Twist the remaining thread around the hook.



**Form the bow.**

The bow should be 5cm at its maximum point(in the center).

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