

Rare Animals of the World 2nd Series

Vol.4

Cuban Crocodile

Assembly Instructions



Thank you for downloading this paper craft model of the Cuban crocodile. By matching the names and numbered parts in the instructions, you and your family can complete a paper craft model of this rare and precious animal.

- Assembly instructions: Six A4-sized sheets.
- Paper craft: Three A4-sized sheets with 13 parts in all

These instructions apply only to the "Cuban crocodile."

These Paper Craft parts are easier to work with when printed out on strong, thick paper (like postcard stock).

*In creating these Paper Craft models we use 135kg Kent paper stock (0.18mm).

1 To begin

■ Tools and materials needed

-Ruler - scissors - blade cutter or "Exacto-knife" - awl or other pointed tool (for making a folding crease) - felt pen - pin set - glue - hand towel (for cleaning your fingers) - dictionary or other heavy book (to press the papers flat).

■ Items of Caution

*Take care when using sharp or pointed objects or when using bladed cutting tools. Place a heavy sheet of paper under the paper you want to cut.

*Use glue and other adhesives only in well-ventilated areas.

*When printing, use a slightly reduced font size. There may be differences in dimensions, depending on the type of printer used.

2 How to assemble

*Follow the working method and markings carefully.

*Cut carefully along the outer line with cutting blade, Exacto-knife or scissors.

One - point Advice

*Cut carefully with cutting blade, Exacto-knife or scissors.

*For folding parts, first use an awl or other pointed tool to make a light crease along the dotted or solid line. This will make the folds straight. Avoid making strong creases, as this will cause the paper to tear.

*As an adhesive, white wood glue is recommended. Avoid over application as this may cause the paper to wrinkle.

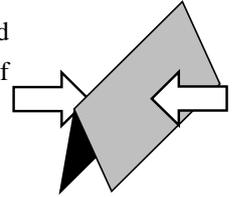
*Before beginning assembly, test adhesive amounts on extra paper.

*Occasionally, white spots will be apparent on folds and cuts. Use a marker or pencil to fill in these spots. It is recommended that this be done after each stage of assembly because coloring becomes more difficult once parts are assembled.

Basic working method and markings

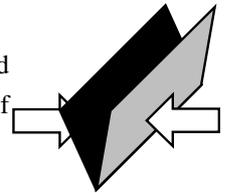
Solid lines

Fold along these lines. The printed surface should be on the outside of the folded shape.



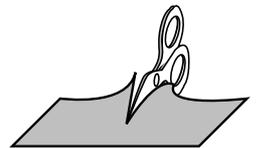
Broken lines

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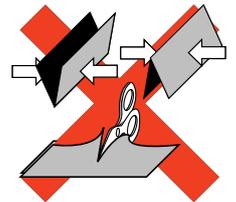


Dotted line

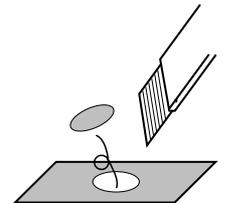
Cut along these lines.



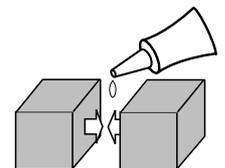
Do not fold or cut the parts marked X.



Cut out parts marked with an asterisk(*).



Red dots are the reference positions for gluing surfaces.



3 Assembly

Please refer to the "Basic working method and markings" symbol chart on Page 2 to assemble each part.

Indication of Working Methods



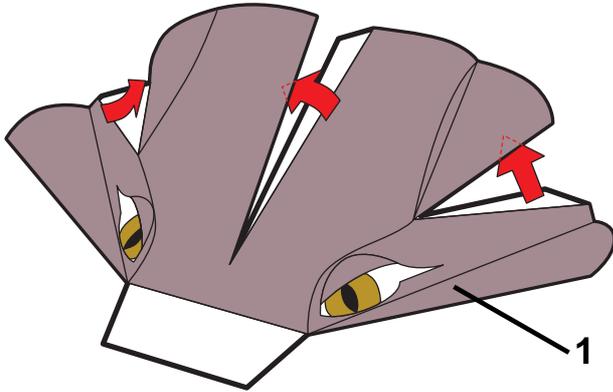
Fold or Curve



Glue

Assembly of Cuban Crocodile

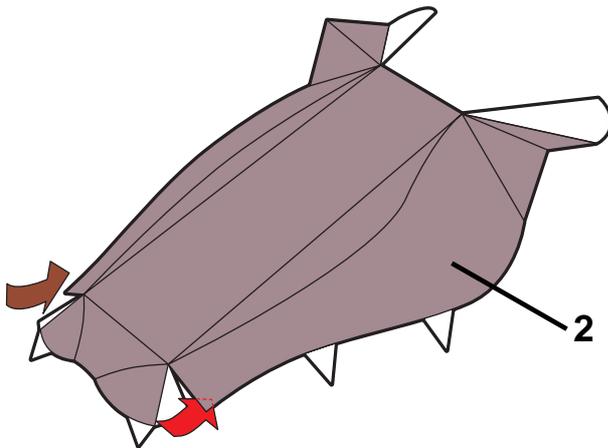
1. Assembly of Head



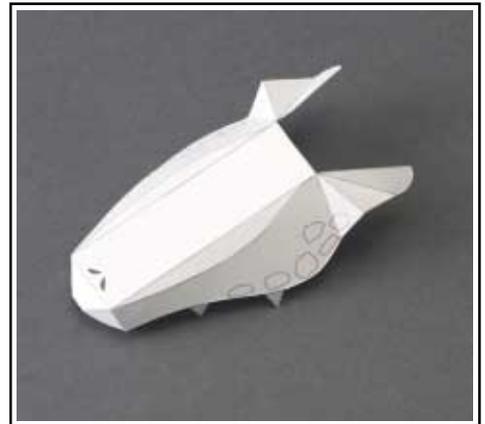
Reference photo



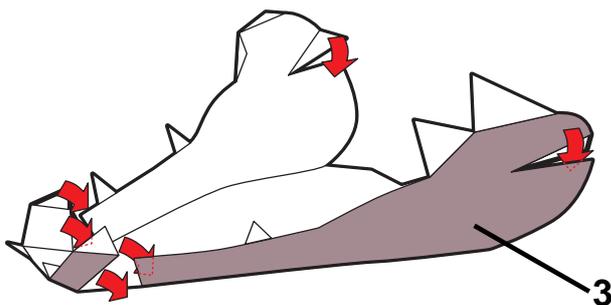
2. Assembly of Upper Jaw



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3. Assembly of Lower Jaw



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Indication of Working Methods



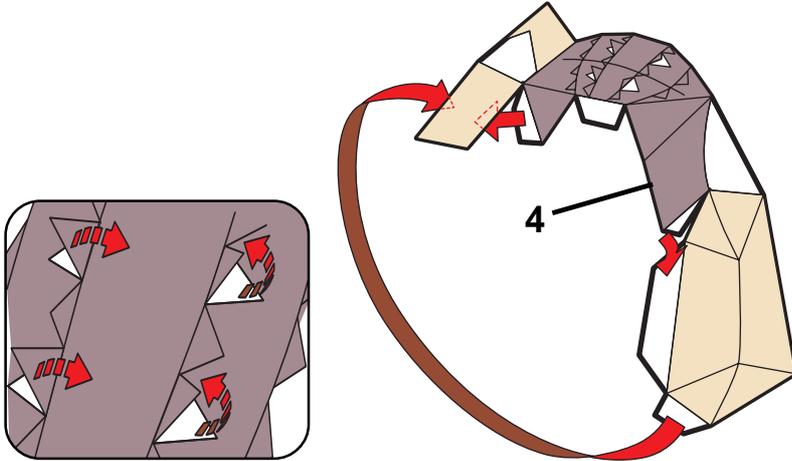
Fold or Curve



Glue

Assembly of Cuban Crocodile

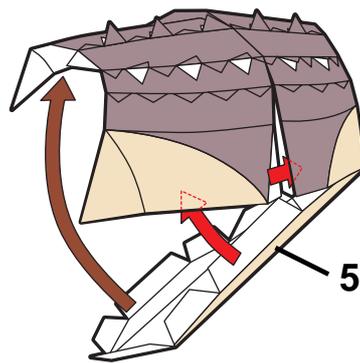
4. Assembly of Chest



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5. Assembly of Back

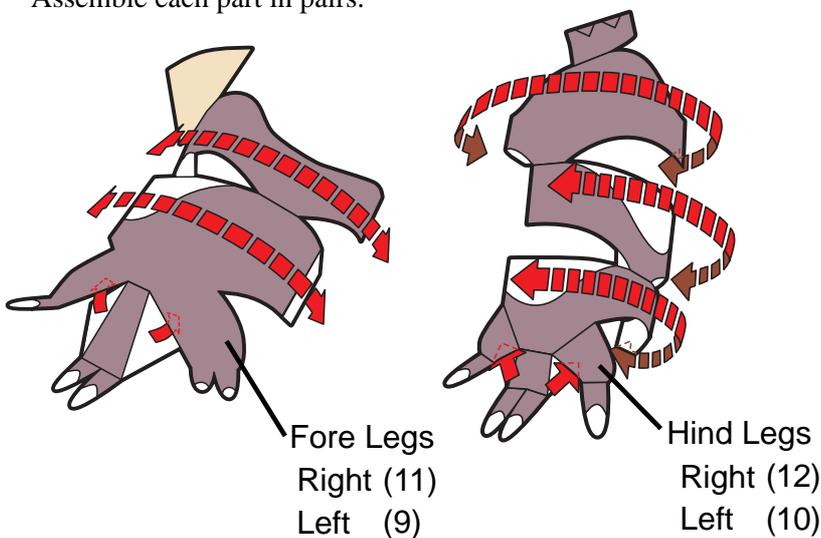


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6. Assembly of Legs

Assemble each part in pairs.



Reference photo



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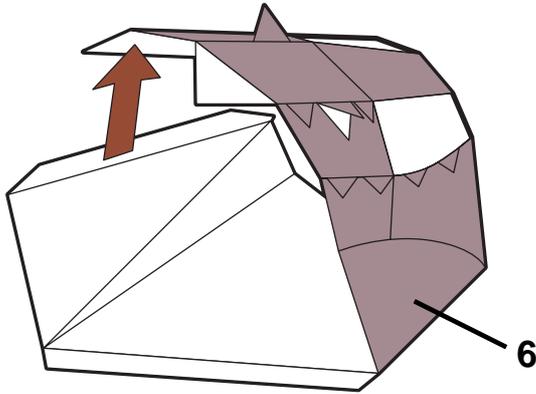
Fold or Curve



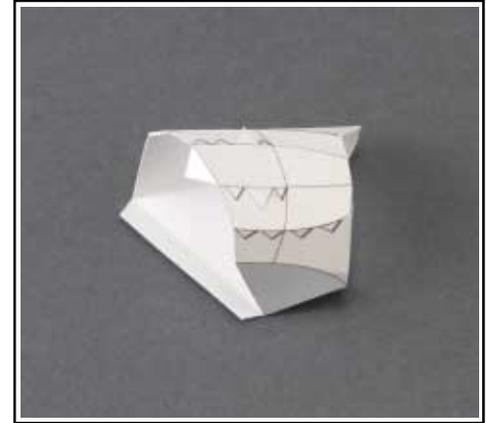
Glue

Assembly of Cuban Crocodile

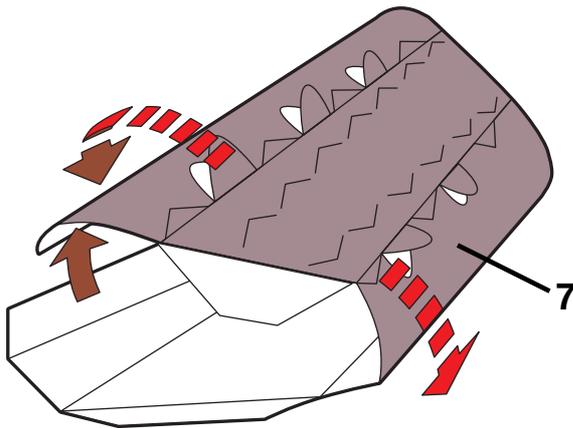
7. Assembly of Tail part 1



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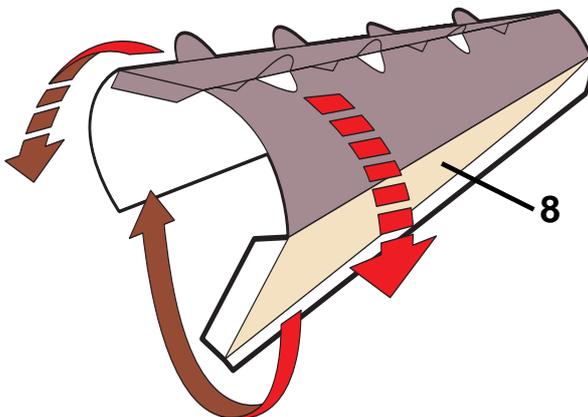
8. Assembly of Tail part 2



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9. Assembly of Tail part 3



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Indication of Working Methods



Fold or Curve



Glue

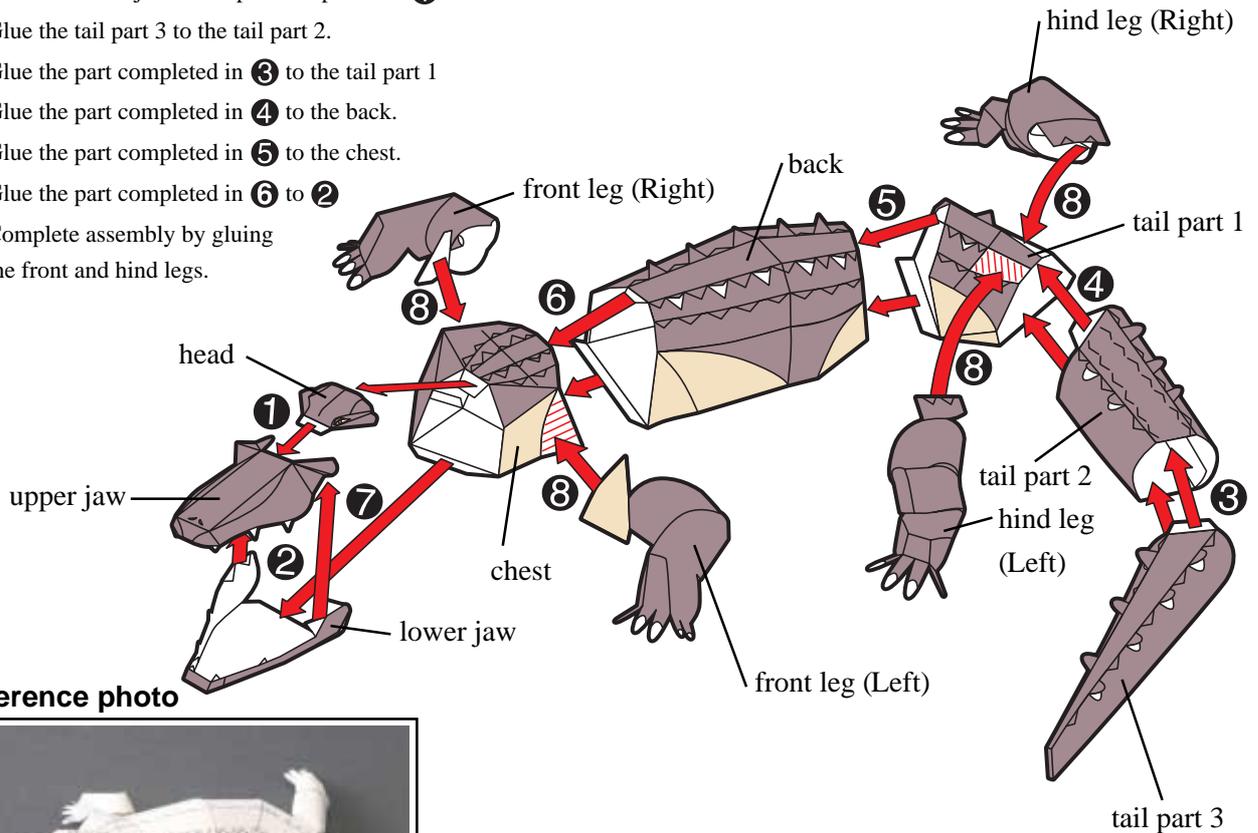
Assembly of Cuban Crocodile

Please use the ● dots on each component as reference when gluing surfaces.

10.FINISH Assemble according to Steps ① through ⑧

Procedure

- ① Glue the head to the upper jaw.
- ② Glue the lower jaw to the part completed in ①
- ③ Glue the tail part 3 to the tail part 2.
- ④ Glue the part completed in ③ to the tail part 1
- ⑤ Glue the part completed in ④ to the back.
- ⑥ Glue the part completed in ⑤ to the chest.
- ⑦ Glue the part completed in ⑥ to ②
- ⑧ Complete assembly by gluing the front and hind legs.

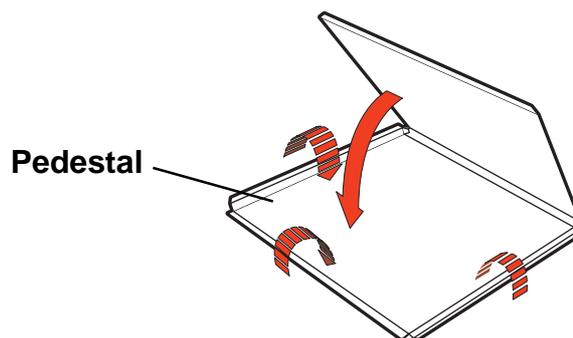


Reference photo



Assembly of Pedestal

Display the completed Cuban Crocodile on the pedestal as desired.



4 Completion

Here are pictures of the completed models.
Please refer to them when assembling and painting.



Colored Cuban Crocodile

Photo of realistically colored paper sculpture.



Uncolored Cuban Crocodile

Uncolored sculpture with textured paper.



Cuban Crocodile, Rare Animal

The Cuban crocodile, as its name suggests, lives in Cuba. It is one of the smaller crocodiles and said to resemble the primitive species. It has a distinctive snout, the anterior part of the head, which is shorter and broader than that of other crocodylians. It also has a bony ridge behind the eyes, another feature distinguishing them from other species. Coloration is light brown with dark markings. Black speckles are seen on the side of the lower jaw. It feeds on amphibians, fish, birds, and even small mammals. Despite its large distribution throughout Cuba in the past, its habitat is now restricted to only two locations; the Zabata Swamp and the Lanier Swamp. Although many efforts have been made, the species is facing near extinction due to threatened genetic integrity by hybridization with the American crocodile and the frequency of juveniles preyed upon by the spectacled caiman.