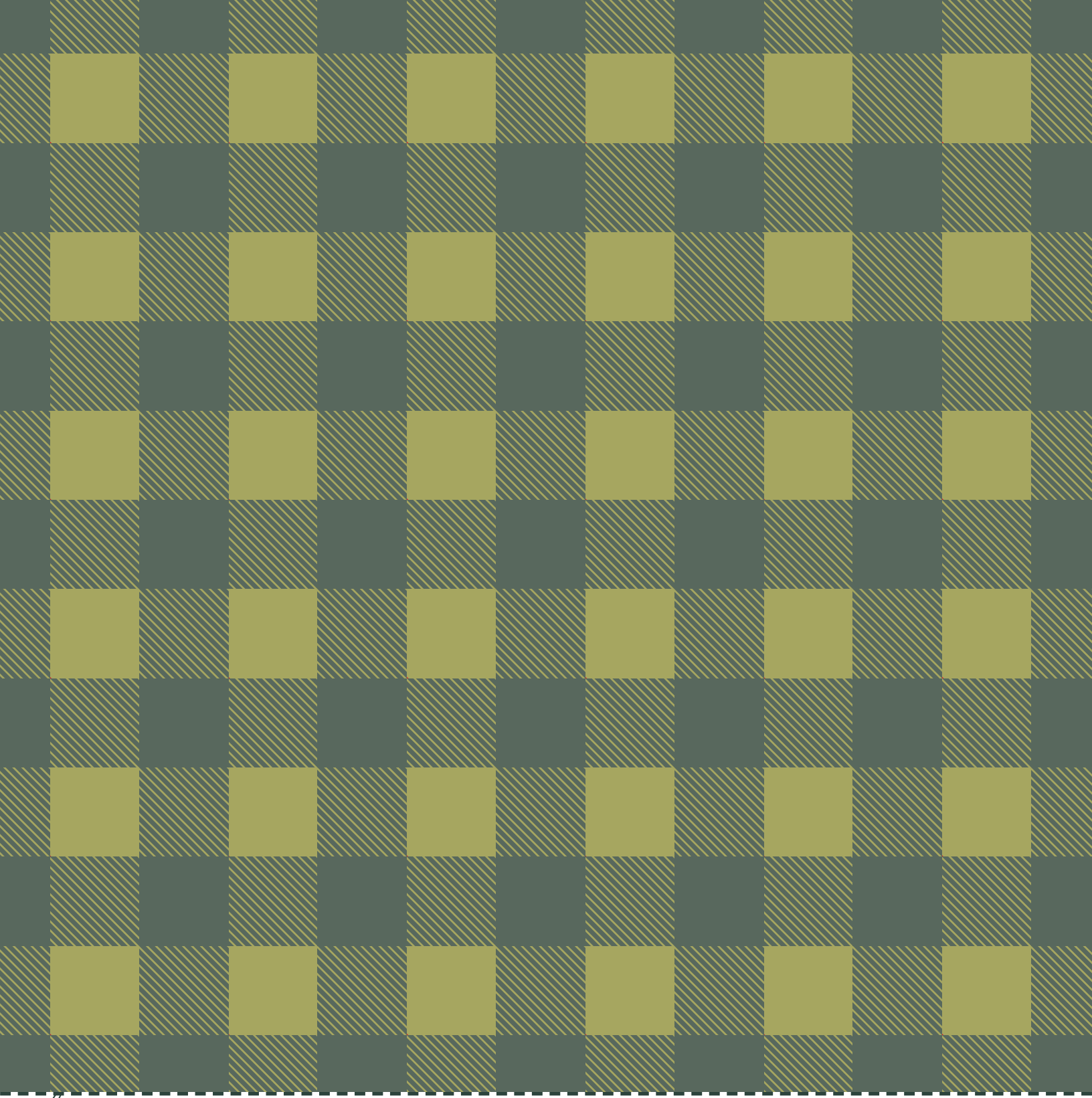
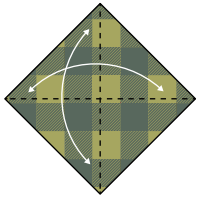


Christmas Tree
Origami Instructions

1.

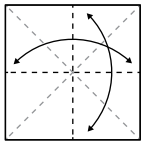
Before starting, cut off all white space to make a perfect square.

2.



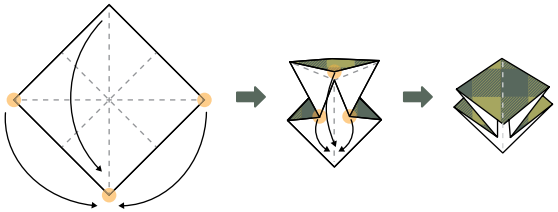
Start with the pattern side up. Fold the paper in half (point to point) both ways. Unfold.

3.



Flip over to the white side. Fold the paper in half (edge to edge) both ways. Unfold.

4.

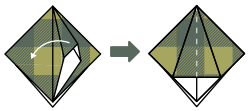


First, pinch together the left and right corners, then, with the top corner, fold to the bottom.

5.

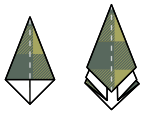
Fold toward center line and unfold.

6.



Using the crease you just made, open and flatten this flap.

7.

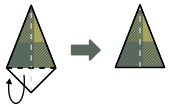


Repeat Steps 4 and 5 on the other 3 flaps.

8.

With only the pattern side showing, fold along this crease and unfold.

9.



Fold each patterned flap backward underneath itself.

10.

Use as decoration, a card or an ornament for your new tree!

For a how-to video, visit **Michigan.gov/ForestsForALifetime.**

Choosing the perfect Christmas tree is a cherished tradition for many Michigan families. It works wonders for the holiday spirit – and also the environment and the economy!

Did you know...

- Michigan ranks third among all states in the production of real Christmas trees but grows a larger variety than any other state!
- Buying a real tree is not depleting the forest! Approximately 98 percent of Christmas trees are grown on farms – providing oxygen, diminishing carbon dioxide and creating jobs to support Michigan families.
- Real Christmas trees are 100 percent renewable, recyclable and biodegradable – making your Christmas green in more ways than one! Recycled trees can be used for mulch, birdfeeders, wildlife cover and more.
- Sustainable trees and forests are important to everyone in Michigan. Learn how Michigan keeps trees healthy and abundant so that future generations will always have a tree for life, and forests for a lifetime.

A tree for life.
Forests for a lifetime.

Forest Resources Division
Michigan.gov/ForestsForALifetime

MICHIGAN
CHRISTMAS TREE ASSOCIATION