

# “Who’s Staring at my Rump?”

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Or alterternatively, “Squashed Elephant”

(Essentially Charles’ “Millennium Falcon,”  
mistakenly identified by Jeremy at a BARF meeting)

The diagram consists of ten numbered steps showing the progression of an origami model from a square sheet to a finished elephant-like shape. Step 1 shows a square with diagonal and horizontal/vertical fold lines. Step 2 shows the square folded into a diamond shape with a central valley. Step 3 shows the diamond folded further into a narrower shape. Step 4 shows the model with a large front flap and two side flaps. Step 4a and 4b show close-ups of the front flap being folded down and the side flaps being folded inward. Step 5 shows the model with the two corners of the front flap folded inward. Step 6 shows a small mountain fold at the top. Step 7 shows the front flap being folded down. Step 8 shows the model being turned over and the top corners being folded inward. Step 9 shows the legs and trunk being shaped. Step 10 shows the final finished model, which resembles a squashed elephant.

1 Begin by folding a square-base.

2 Petal-fold on both sides, making a bird base.

3 Pleat the front flap down. The valley lines up with the top of the middle layer.

4 Rabbit-ear the front flap so that it sticks down and out (4a & 4b).  
Valley-fold the sides in to narrow the legs. Repeat *behind*, I mean, in *“in front!”*

5 Mountain-fold the two corners, wrapping them around the nearest layer.

6 Make a tiny Mountain fold. **Turn over!**

7 Rabbit-ear

8 Pleat to form the ears. Shorten the legs with reverse folds. Turn over.

9 Shape the legs and trunk of the elephant to taste.

10 The Squashed elephant is completely in view.