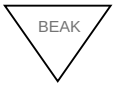
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BEAK | cut 1
14.00 x 10.00 mm



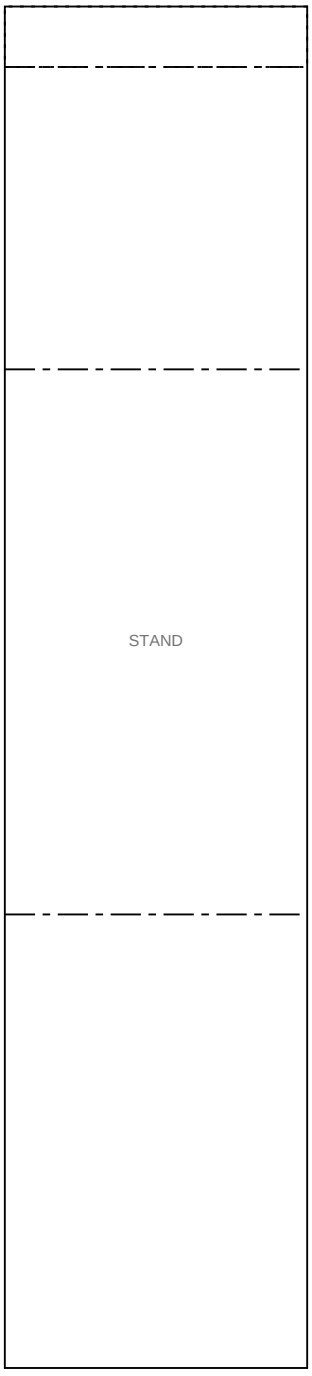
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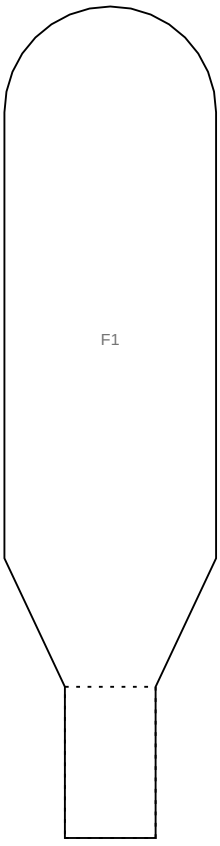
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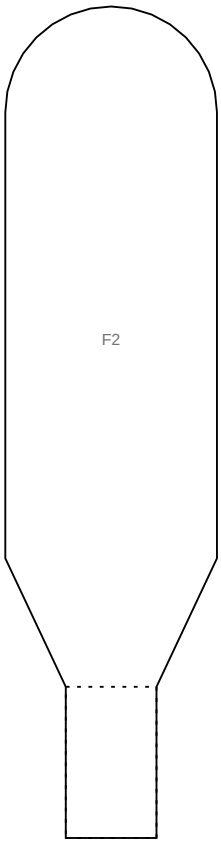
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40.00 x 180.11 mm



F1 | cut 1
28.00 x 110.00 mm



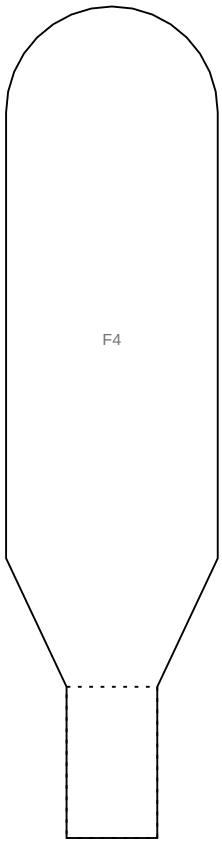
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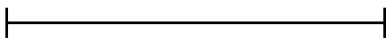
F3 | cut 1
28.00 x 110.00 mm



F4 | cut 1
28.00 x 110.00 mm



Solid: cut | Dashed: valley | Dash-dot: mountain | Dotted: glue



50 mm calibration

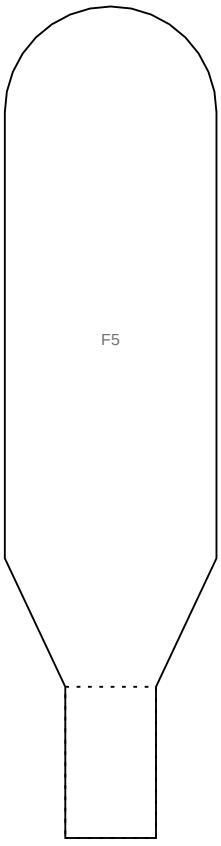
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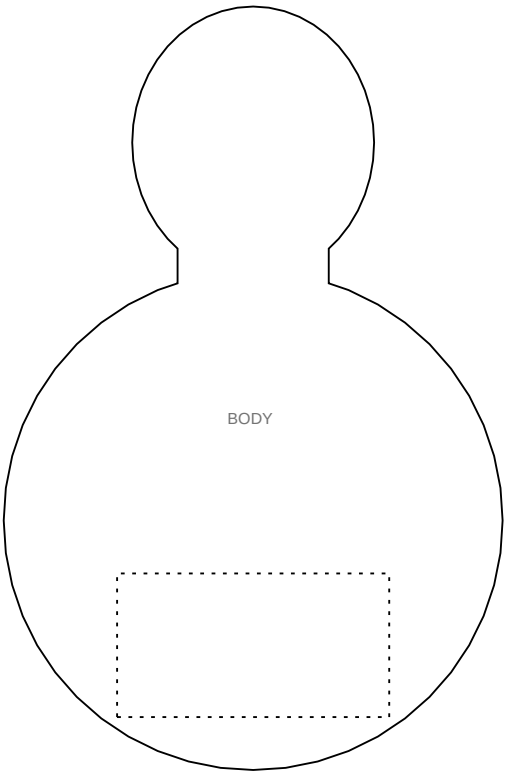
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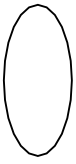
F5 | cut 1
28.00 x 110.00 mm



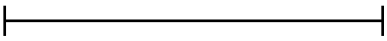
BODY | cut 1
66.00 x 101.00 mm



WATTLE | cut 1
9.00 x 20.00 mm



Solid: cut | Dashed: valley | Dash-dot: mountain | Dotted: glue



50 mm calibration

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Finished size: Approximately 194 wide x 41 deep x 145 high mm; stand footprint 40 x 40 mm

Materials: 200-250 gsm matte cardstock in brown and five light autumn colors; Colored card scraps for face; Scissors; PVA craft glue; Ruler, pencil, dark writing pen and blunt scoring tool

Step-by-step guide with a 3D model: https://snipfold.com/work/thankful-turkey. Not yet test-built in paper by SnipFold: measurements come from the digital model, so check the fit as you go.

Original 11-piece construction; no hidden supports or purchased decorations.

PDFs are ink-light outlines, not color-filled sheets. Use colored cardstock or color the templates. Feather writing spaces remain blank.

All faces have exact rigid flat correspondence. Small depth offsets show the paper layers; paper thickness, glue and springback are not simulated. The stand seam is coplanar in the ideal mesh.

Part inventory (cut each instance once):

STAND: Brown triangular stand

BODY: Brown body and head

F1: Writing feather 1

F2: Writing feather 2

F3: Writing feather 3

F4: Writing feather 4

F5: Writing feather 5

WATTLE: Red wattle

BEAK: Gold triangular beak

EYE_L: Dark eye L

EYE_R: Dark eye R

1. Print, cut and score [STAND, BODY, F1, F2, F3, F4, F5, WATTLE, BEAK, EYE_L, EYE_R]: Print at actual size and check the 50 mm ruler. Cut each of the 11 pieces once. Templates are unfilled: trace onto colored card, or color before cutting. Use brown for STAND and BODY; five light autumn colors for F1-F5; red WATTLE, gold BEAK and dark eyes. Transfer the three stand scores and dotted glue zones. Do not fold the body or feathers.

2. Prepare five gratitude messages [F1, F2, F3, F4, F5]: Write one short name or thing on the front of each feather before assembly. Keep writing in the broad upper paddle, 70-95 mm from the straight root edge; a centered 22 x 25 mm area stays visible above the body and head. Use a dark pen. Leave the first 20 mm for glue. F1-F5 will read left to right when viewed from the front.

3. Fold and close the stand [STAND]: Mountain-fold the three crosswise scores so the colored face stays outside. The first 60 mm panel stands vertically; the next 72.11 mm panel slopes rearward to the table; the 40 mm panel lies flat under both. Fold the last 8 mm lap upward inside the first panel and glue it there across the full 40 mm width. The triangular end is 60 mm high and 40 mm deep. Adjust the folds to close these edges, not to right angles. Press the seam from an open side and dry on a level table.

4. Glue the five-feather fan [BODY, F1, F2, F3, F4, F5]: Lay BODY face down. Mark a hub on its rear centerline 35 mm above the bottom of STAND (34 mm above the lowest body edge). Place the midpoint of every feather straight root at this hub. Viewed from the finished front, F1-F5 lean -60, -30, 0, +30, +60 degrees from vertical. Apply glue to each marked 12 x 20 mm root on its FRONT and press onto the body rear or previous root. Fit F5 first, then F4 through F1, so the layers match the preview. The writing faces the same way as the face. Dry flat; the body covers the roots.

5. Attach the friendly face [WATTLE, BEAK, EYE_L, EYE_R]: Glue WATTLE flat to BODY with its center 3 mm right of the centerline and 33 mm below the head top. Glue BEAK over its upper end, straight 14 mm edge horizontal 22 mm below the head top, point downward. Glue eye centers 12 mm apart and 16 mm below the head top. Use a thin full-area glue film; these are flat appliques, not folded tabs.

6. Mount the turkey and let dry [BODY, STAND]: Apply glue only to the dotted 36 x 19 mm lower rear BODY rectangle. Center it on the upright stand front, with the lowest body edge 1 mm above the table; the rectangle lies 8-27 mm above the table. This unobstructed joint is below all feather roots. Press from inside the open-sided stand, then dry fully upright. Keep the stand floor flat. The fan projects sideways; it is a tabletop decoration, not a toy.