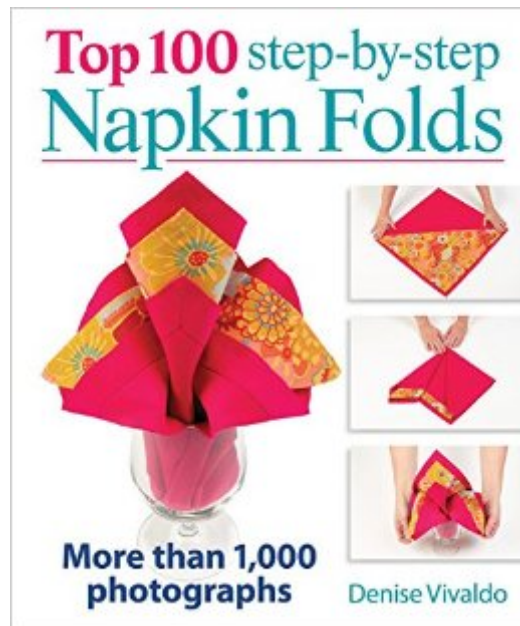


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# Top 100 Step-by-Step Napkin Folds: More Than 1,000 Photographs



## Synopsis

A gorgeous table begins with beautiful napkin folds. Knowing how to execute a perfect napkin fold is not a skill everyone has, but it's one you can easily and quickly teach yourself. Napkin folds bring a touch of elegance, whimsy or retro style to your table. And napkin folds take your table setting to the next level with no added expense -- you're just learning dozens of clever new ways to present something you already have. The 100 folds are divided into easy, intermediate and advanced sections, so you'll know which ones to start with and how to work your way up. Simpler is often better and often the most formal folds, in fact, tend to be relatively easy. And when you're using napkins with an elaborate pattern or design, a simple fold may show it off the best. The hundreds of step-by-step photographs, detailed instructions and wide array of ideas will make every event memorable -- whether it's a child's birthday party or a sophisticated dinner party for grownups. And the concealed wirebound hardcover format with its user-friendly approach makes following instructions a breeze. Like a handwritten thank-you note, napkins folds might be less common than they once were, but they're always noticed, always appreciated and always in style.

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No matter what the theme of your dinner or dinner party, Denise Vivaldo has designed a way to use napkins to brighten up your place settings! Whether the occasion is a bridal shower or romantic tete-a-tete, or the menu is Mexican, Greek or Chinese, "Napkin Folds" can teach you how to make a napkin creation that will impress your guests. Plenty of full-color photos and easy to follow

directions. The spiral-binding makes it easy to lay the book completely flat against your table while you are perfecting your napkin design. We guarantee this very clever book will have you making a trip to your nearest department or fabric store in search of the raw materials needed to become a napkin-folding artist. Great range of ideas to suit every budget, too!

I am in love with this book! Perfect for bringing some flair to my Thanksgiving table. I fell in love with the 'Stairway' fold - it stood up perfectly and looked great. I can't wait to experiment with more of the designs

I enjoyed looking through the pictorial menu in the front of the book, which is focused on napkin ideas that would work well for different styles of themed parties. It includes what type of material works well with folding as well as how to embellish them. I wanted to dig right in and start trying out some ideas right away, so I started with the first one in the book, which looks just like a paper airplane! It took me a couple of tries, but was very simple to make and I also loved the rainbow stripe napkin they used for it. The steps are clearly defined, each step with its own photo. I also learned a nice way to fold a napkin to line the inside of a basket. I was never sure how to do that before! One of my favorite ideas was the rosebud, which they added a paper stem and leaves to make it look extra cute. I'm looking forward to using lots of these suggestions for dressing up my dinners and parties!

What a fun book! With clear instructions that make even the origami-challenged feel confident, you'll be able to gussy up your dining table in no time. Denise talks about types of fabric, ways to do some DIY embellishing, and general napkin knowledge before launching into 100 gorgeous folds. Half of them fall into the category of "easy napkin folds," which is good news for the majority of us. If you're an advanced folder, though, you can skip right to the final dozen or so "advanced" designs. Hosting a themed party? Check out her ideas at the very front of the book, where you'll find everything from Barcelona Bash to Hawaiian Luau. And let your inner artist tuck, crease, and roll!

I love the way little touches can make a table look spectacular. Denise Vivaldo knows the secrets to make a plain piece of cloth turn into fish, parrot, bikini or even an elf's slipper. Napkin folding can be a challenge. With over 10,000 parties under her belt, Vivaldo expertly shows you how to choose the right fabric, shape and fold to create something truly beautiful. This book is outlined into 3 levels of skill folding. Easy step by step instructions will have you creating the perfect finishing touch to

your table setting. This book takes it a step further by explaining the best types of napkins from paper to cloth to use under which occasion and setting. where to place napkins and napkin accessories like napkin rings are explained in the book.

I've seen some beautiful works of art, almost like origami for cloth napkins at a few parties or in a traditional hotel setting and had wondered, "How do they do that?" Denise Vivaldo, a seasoned food professional who has catered over than 10,000 parties and founder of Food Fanatics, has created this beautifully illustrated book to show you how to create 100 folds in Top 100 Step-by-Step Napkin Folds. This book features 100 folds that are divided into easy, intermediate, and advanced sections. I took on two of the easy, and one of the intermediate so far in order to warm up to some of the featured folding techniques in this book. I have yet to tackle the advanced section. I am embarrassed to state my napkin pictured in this post is from a set kept in our picnic basket. We otherwise currently use paper napkins in our home. :(I love the step-by-step instructions/images included in Top 100 Step-by-Step Napkin Folds. The wired binding is hidden on this book beneath a hardcover so it lays flat when viewing. The techniques range from practical to elegant, or even a bit of seasonal flare, like the Bunny for Easter. A few folds require what I will call "common props", such as napkin rings, ribbon, and so forth. Napkin folds are always stylish, clever, and appreciated. Denise Vivaldo will help make your next table setting more memorable with Top 100 Step-by-Step Napkin Folds Book Review. I received a copy of this book to review on my blog, Central Minnesota Mom.

Very informative and creative. The photos say it all and it was interesting to note the different types of materials, and the best folding techniques to use with each.

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