

Lampshade DIY



You will need

- Long ruler
- Chart
- Pencil and eraser
- Divider
- Parallelruler or carpenter angle
- Bone folder
- Needle and twine
- Scissor
- Clothespins
- Velcro or glue



1. Paper size & pattern

Choose your chart – a wide chart is to prefer.

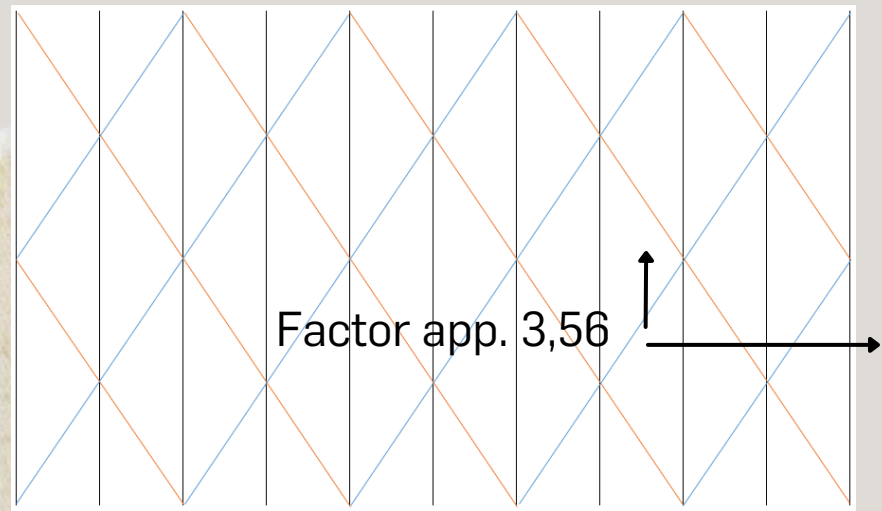
The depicted chart is chart 2675 – English Channel.

Cut off the white edges in the top and bottom.

Fold it on the middle (horizontally) and cut it in half.

Now divide the map into 30 columns and draw the following pattern across the hole width.

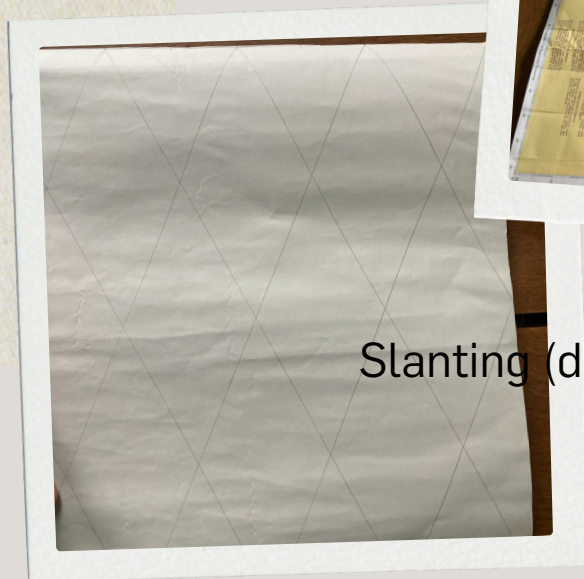
The pattern can be drawn on the back of the chart if you don't want the pencil lines to be visible.



Straight lines on the front



Slanting (diagonal) lines at the back



2. Fold

- Fold all the straight lines the same way
- Fold all the slanting/diagonal lines (red and blue) the other way than the straight

Use a bone folder or similar to make sharp folds. I borrowed a plastic toy knife of my kids ;)



3. Shape it

The lamp will almost naturally fall into shape with a little help.

I used some clothespins to help keep the shape.



4. Assemble

Sew the lamp together on the inside with needle and string, starting with the bottom.

You can also make holes with a punching machine and assemble it with wire.

Close the side with glue or velcro.

Mount a hanging bulb before closing the top



Use Velcro for easy light bulb replacement



Use glue for a nicer finish e.g. at a 360 view

5. Ta-da your lamp is finished.
Hope you enjoy it!

