This elusive orchid haunts the swamps of Florida and has been the topic of a book (The Orchid Thief) and a movie (Adaptation). An epiphyte, the Ghost Orchid uses its roots not just to cling to its host tree, but to photosynthesize in the same way other plants use leaves. Conservation efforts to restore this endangered orchid are underway. To learn more about the Ghost Orchid, scan the QR code with your phone or visit the species page on Go Orchids at http://goorchids.northamericanorchidcenter.org

The goal of the North American Orchid Conservation Center (NAOCC), established by the Smithsonian Institution and the United States Botanic Garden, is to assure the survival of native orchids in the U.S. and Canada. To learn more about NAOCC and what you can do for orchid conservation, visit: www.northamericanorchidcenter.org

Paper is fragile so be gentle when you push out the shapes. Glue the separate pieces before assembling them together.

Model Difficulty

Hill-fold

Valley-fold

Glue Guidance

Glue Order

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 ...
This is what the paper Ghost Orchid will look like when built: