

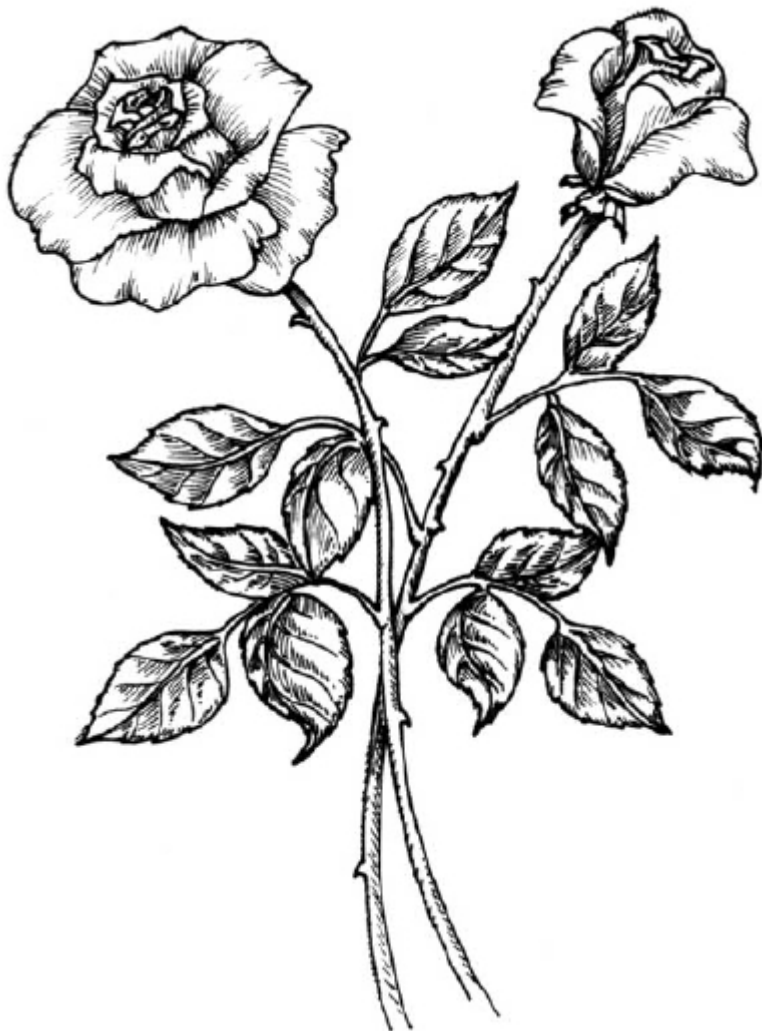


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## How to Draw Flowers and Plants

From the deepest valleys to the highest mountains, flowers and plants can be found in all shapes, sizes and colors. On the following pages, you can bring out your inner artist as you learn how to draw flowers and plants.

The easy, step-by-step instructions on the following pages will teach you how to draw everything from daisies and daffodils to strawberries and spider plants. All you need is a No. 2 pencil, a pencil sharpener, and an eraser. Then use *How to Draw Flowers & Plants* to practice drawing for hours!



**Learn how to draw roses and other flowers and plants in this article.**

Each drawing begins with a few simple shapes printed in red ink. The second step shows the first drawing in black. The new shapes and marks you're going to add appear in red. This shows you how to make step one's drawing look like that in step two.

The following steps also show the earlier drawings in black and the new marks and shapes in red.

A blank space near each step lets you practice your drawing skills. You can also compare your drawing with the printed one. Draw lightly with your pencil. This makes it easier to erase mistakes and other marks that change slightly in later steps.

When you have finished, use a pen or fine felt-tip marker to darken the pencil marks that make up the finished drawing. Then gently erase any remaining pencil marks.

When you are done, you will have 23 drawings showing many different types of flowers and plants.

If you wish, you can add color by using crayons or colored pencils or markers. You may want to cut out your drawings and tape or glue them onto colored construction paper. You can even frame them.

Then you will be able to display your colorful collection of drawings showing all sorts of flowers and plants. Have fun!

In this article you'll learn how to draw a variety of flowers and plants. Towards the end, you can push your art skills a little further by learning how to draw flower and plant arrangements. Here is a preview:

## How to Draw a Daisy

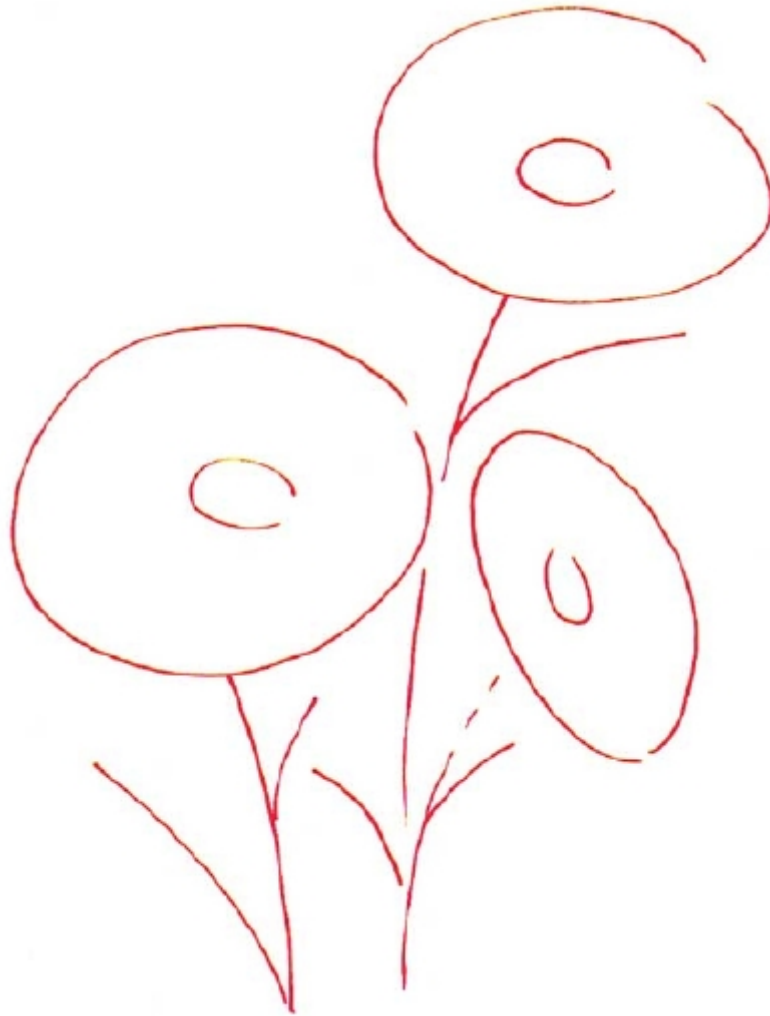
Whether you prefer to call it a wildflower or a weed, this bright and joyful flower is actually very unique. A daisy closes its head at night and opens in the morning. How's that for special?



**Learn how to draw this daisy.**

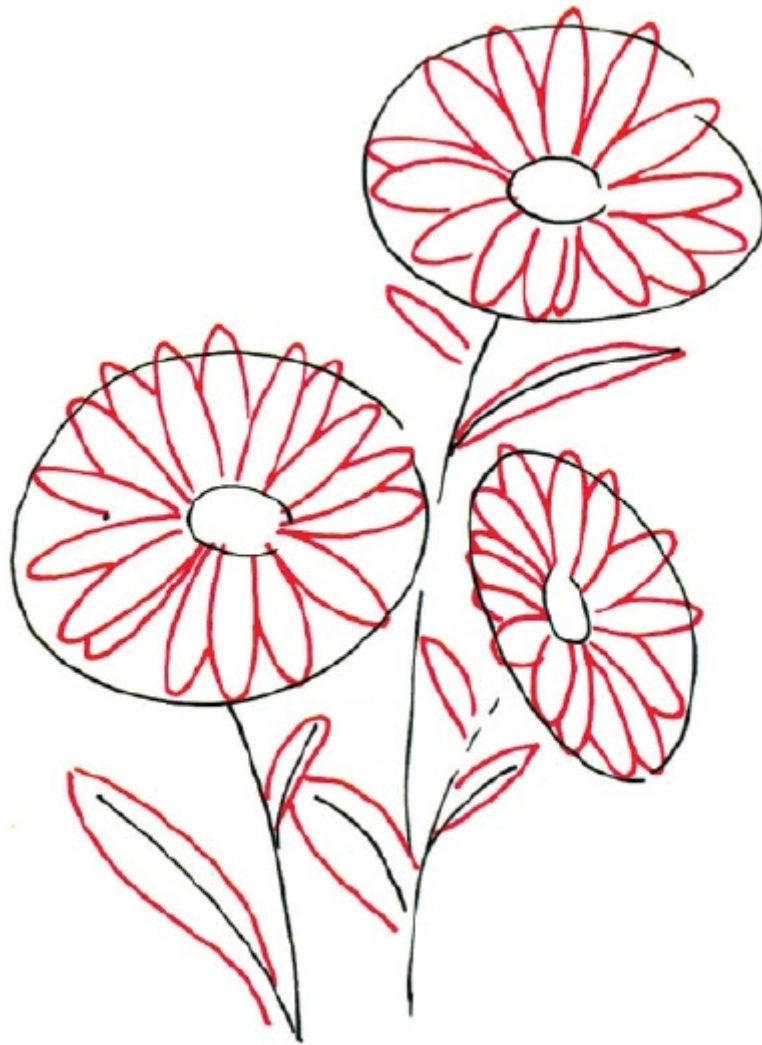
In this section, we'll show you how to draw the above daisy. You can draw this flower freehand while looking at your computer monitor or print out this page to get a closer look at each step.

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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch circles to show the position of two of the daisy flowers. For the third one, which will be facing slightly to the right, lightly sketch an oval shape. Sketch a small oval for the center of each flower.

Lightly sketch the stems using lines that curve downward from each flower. Use shorter curving lines to show where the leaves will go.



**Step 2:** Use long, U-shaped curves for the petals. The lines for some petals will start and end at the center circle. Other petals will be behind them.

The lines for these petals will meet the lines of the first petals. Sketch long U-shaped lines for the leaves.



**Step 3:** Redraw the ends of the petals, putting small bumps at the tips. Redraw the centers so the ovals are bumpy, to suggest that the centers are tufted.

Redraw the leaves so the largest ones have irregular indentations. Complete the stems with two sets of parallel curving lines.



**Step 4:** Draw tiny circles in the bottom part of each center. Show ridges in each petal by drawing two parallel lines down the center. Draw a line down the center of each leaf to show the vein.





**Step 5:** Add some dots to each of the centers to give them more texture. Shade the petals with fine lines at the centers and the tips.

Shade the leaves with fine lines at their tips. Darken one side of each stem with many short lines.

Good Job! Now that you know how to draw a daisy, get ready to draw a "flower for all seasons." Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a pansy.

## How to Draw a Pansy

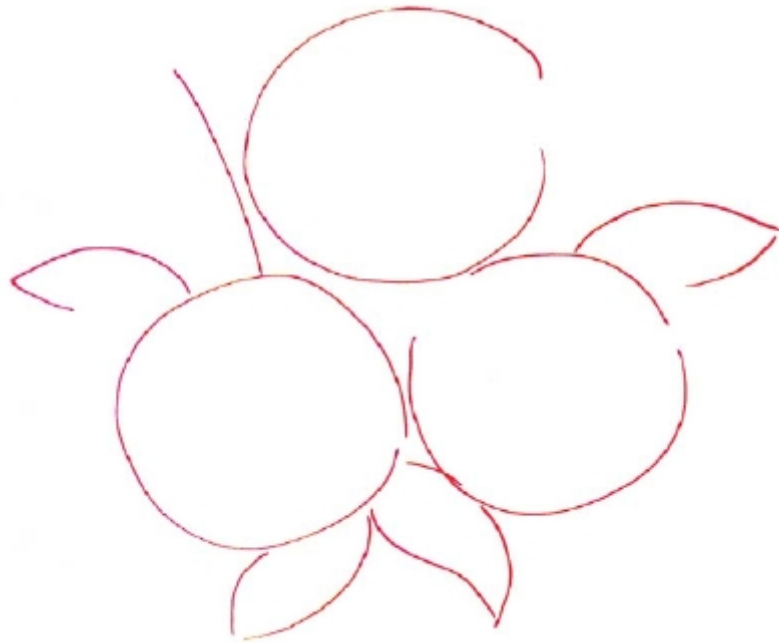
A pansy is a beautiful garden flower that actually has a face. This flower ranges in color from gold and orange to purple, violet, and a blue that almost looks black.



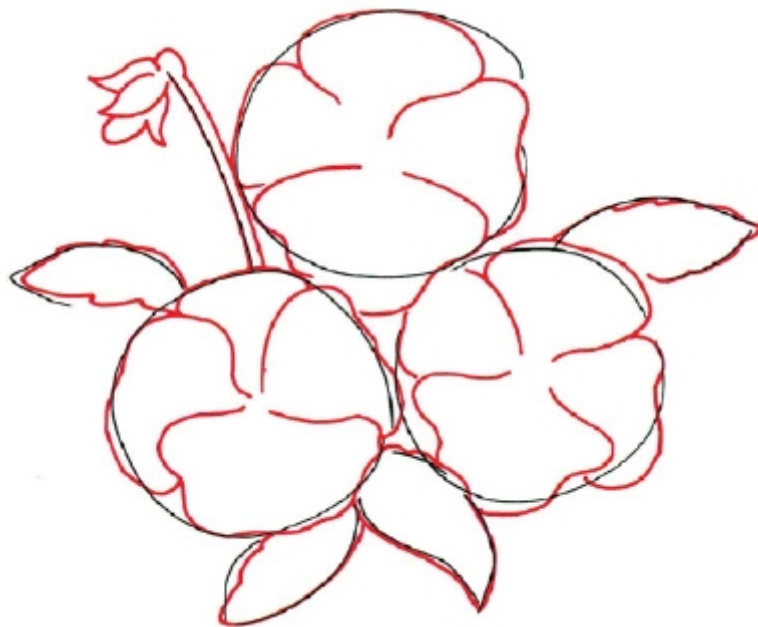
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**Step 1:** To show the position of each flower, lightly sketch three circles. Next to these circles, show the position of the leaves by lightly sketching curved lines that meet at a point. Use a curved line slanting upward to show the stem.



**Step 2:** Lightly sketch in petals using shapes that are roughly triangular with rounded corners. Sketch the other side of the stem and add a bud at the top. Draw the bud in curved arcs.

Attach the bud to the stem with a semicircle. Scallop some of the edges of the leaves as shown.



**Step 3:** For each of the bottom two leaves, show that the front edge of the leaf is curling upward. Do this by drawing a scalloped line above the smooth bottom line of the leaf.

Draw center veins in each leaf with two parallel lines. Draw the tips of the bud petals so they curl. Draw two small leaves where the bud is attached to the stem.



**Step 4:** Redraw the petals of the flowers with irregular wavy lines. Add another irregular curving line across the center of three of the petals in each flower.

Add a third, small irregular curve near the center of each of the three petals. Leave the top petal plain. Draw an irregular circle for the center.



**Step 5:** Darken the area of the petals between the two irregular lines with many lines radiating from the center. Put small dots within the center circle. Shade the outer edges of the petals and the leaves with short parallel lines.

Shade the bud in the same way. Add more short curving lines for the remaining veins in the leaves.

These next flowering plants appear to have faces too, but it's their heart-shaped petals that make these flowers a favorite.

Continue to the next section to learn how to draw a violet.

## How to Draw a Violet

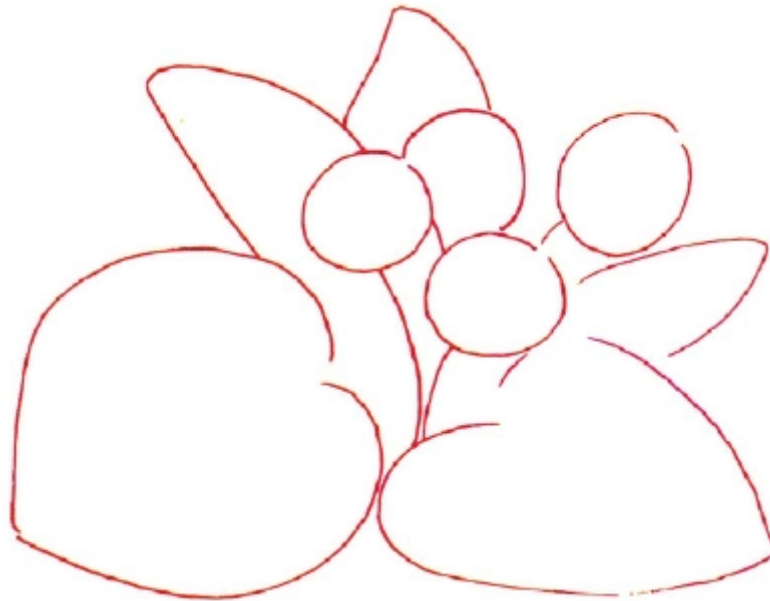
The violet has a whopping 400-500 species throughout the world and it is popular for its many delightful scents. This flowering plant is the color of violet, of course, but it can also be blue, yellow, white or even a combination of yellow and white.



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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch four circles to show the position of the flowers. Lightly sketch two heart shapes below them for leaves. Sketch curving lines for the stems.

Behind the flowers, sketch three more leaf shapes using curved lines.



**Step 2:** Within the circles, sketch petals using circular shapes. Outline the leaves with scalloped lines. For the leaves behind the flowers, show that they are folded over.

Do this by drawing one side of the shape with a curving line. Draw a second, scalloped line inside the shape.



**Step 3:** Draw the outlines of the petals with slightly scalloped lines. Draw two short, curving lines in each petal to show ridges. Draw in the stems.

Add a scalloped line at the bottom of the stems. Draw a small arc below the scalloped line.



**Step 4:** Draw in the veins of the bottom leaves using double branched lines. In the leaves that are folded, the center vein can't be seen.



Draw narrow V shapes that curve toward the scalloped edges.  
Draw tiny circles for the centers of the flowers.



**Step 5:** Shade the leaves with short parallel lines on either side of the veins. Shade the edges of the leaves with very short lines.

Use just a few short lines to shade each of the petals at the tips,  
Shade the centers of the flowers with a few very short lines.

I'm sure you had fun drawing a violet. Ready to move on to the next flower? If you thought the violet was beautiful, wait until you see a poppy!

In the next section, learn how to draw a poppy.

## How to Draw a Poppy

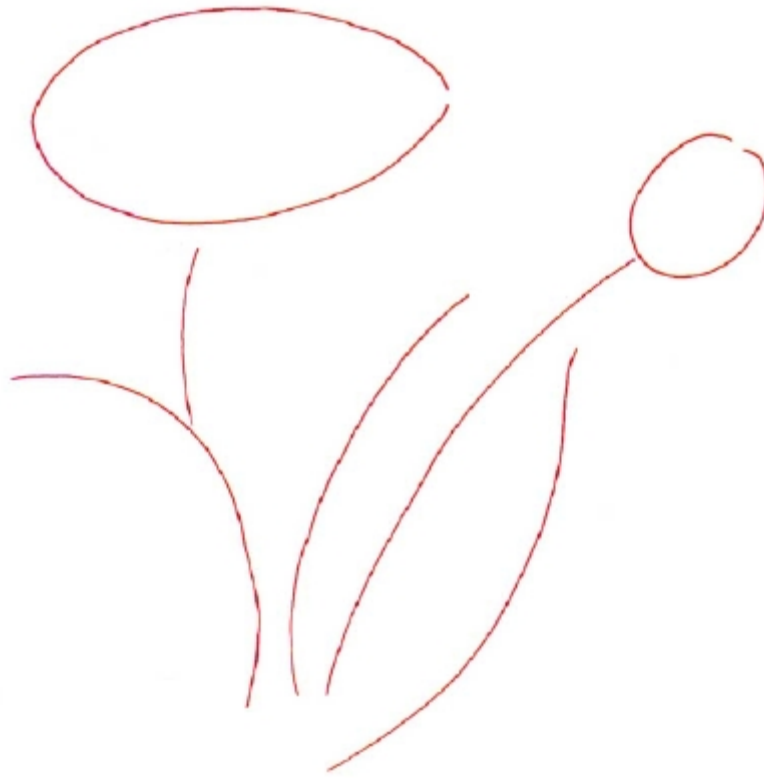
A poppy is probably one the most flamboyant flowering plants in the world. Due to its bold red color and because it grows in groups, the showy poppy can be seen from hundreds of feet, even miles, away. Poppies are also white, pink, yellow, orange or blue in color.



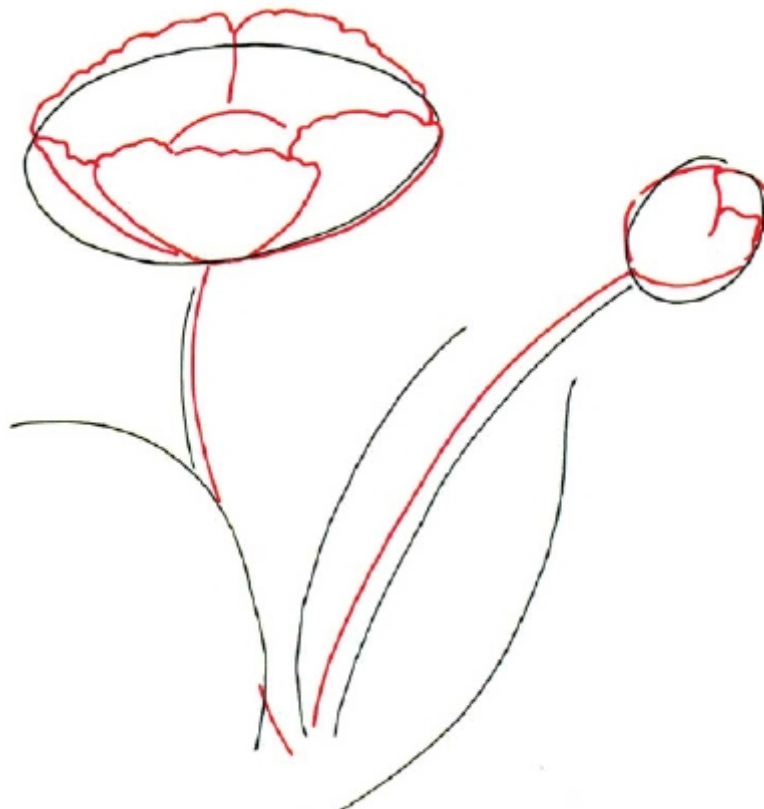
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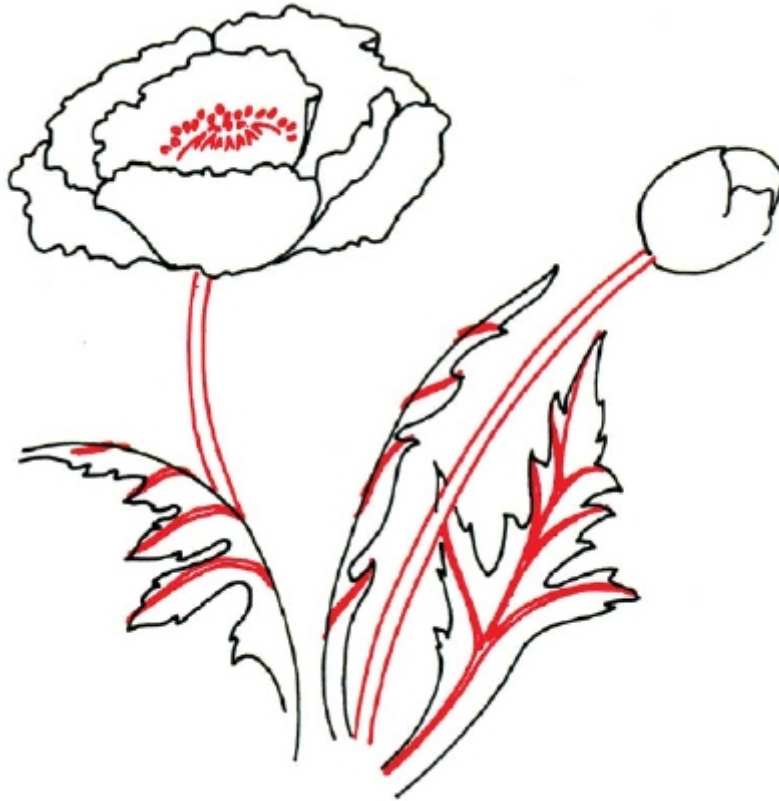
**Step 1:** Lightly sketch a large oval for a flower and a smaller circle for a bud. Sketch the stems with curving lines. Sketch in three other curving lines to show the position of the leaves.



**Step 2:** Sketch roughly triangular petals using wavy lines. Draw an arc shape for the center of the flower. Outline the bud and show petals by drawing a wavy, Y-shaped line. Draw in a second line for each stem.



**Step 3:** Draw the petals more carefully using wavy lines to suggest ruffled edges. Add two inner petals as shown. With curving lines, draw leaf shapes with deep notches in the edges.



**Step 4:** Define the center of the flower with several inverted V-shaped lines. Above them, draw a row of tiny ovals. Draw the two stems, making the sides as smooth as possible.

In the right-hand leaf, draw veins with branches, using curved double lines. You can see only the sides of the other two leaves, so draw veins from the smooth line to the irregular line.



**Step 5:** Add many small dots and short lines to the center of the flower. Shade the edges of all the petals and leaves using short lines. Vary the length of the lines.

Shade the bottoms of the flower and bud. Use very short lines to shade one side of each stem. Add a few small spikes at the top of each stem with short, V-shaped lines.

Take a bow. Your poppy drawing is complete! Let's move on to yet another show-stopper -- the gorgeous, golden yellow, daffodil.

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## How to Draw a Daffodil

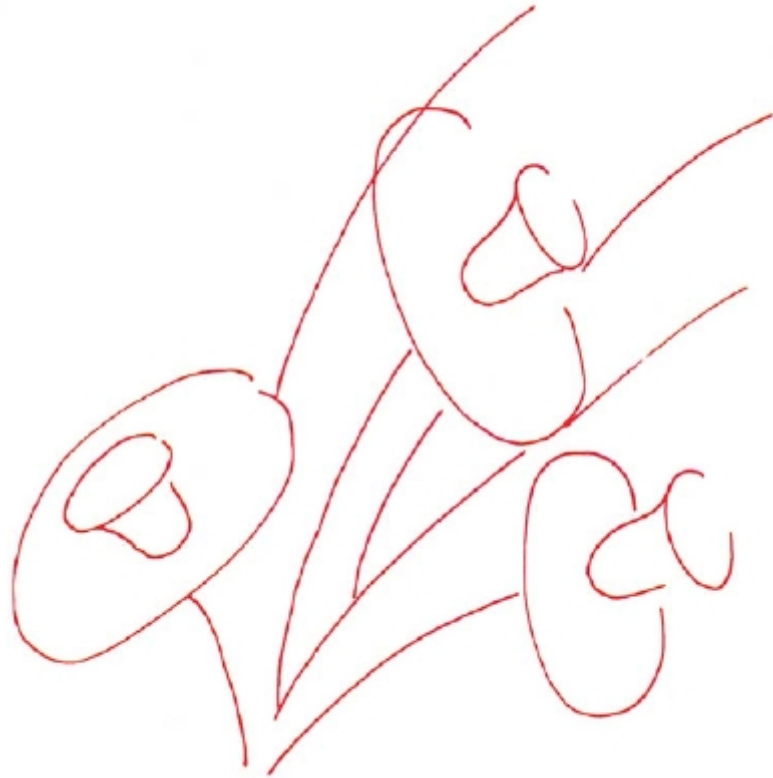
A daffodil has the unique shape of a trumpet. It grows mostly in the Mediterranean and its color is golden yellow or a combination of golden yellow and white.



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**Step 1:** Show the position of the three flowers by lightly sketching ovals. In the center of each one, draw the flower's cup using a U shape and a circle. Sketch the position of stems and leaves with slanting, curved lines.





**TStep 2:** Using the ovals as a guide, draw oval petals using irregularly curved lines. Draw the second side of each leaf with a slanting, curved line that meets the first line at the top.

Don't worry if your lines overlap the flowers. These lines are guidelines to follow in drawing your final lines.



**Step 3:** Show that the petals curve upward by drawing a second, irregularly curving line inside the first one. At the bottom of each cup, draw a wiggly line to show the petal overlapping the cup.

Give each cup a ruffled edge by drawing a wiggly oval.



**Step 4:** Draw two tiny teardrop shapes in each cup for the flower's center. To show grooves in the petals, lightly draw two curving lines down the centers.

Redraw the lines for the stems and leaves, making sure your lines don't go into the flowers.



**Step 5:** Shade each leaf using long, curving lines parallel to the sides of the leaf. Shade one side of each stem using short crosswise lines. Shade the petals and cups with lines of varying lengths.

Our next flowering plant is the famous tulip. After drawing a daffodil, drawing a tulip should be a piece of cake!

Continue to the next page to learn how to draw the delicate tulip.

## How to Draw a Tulip

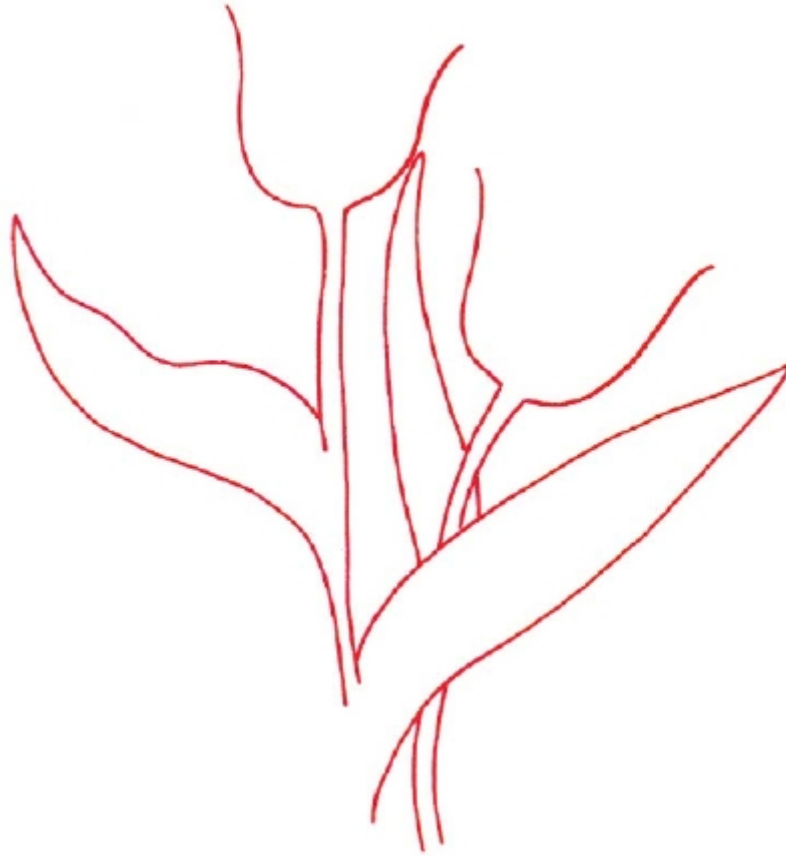
Believe it or not, a tulip requires a cold winter season to thrive, so it does not grow in tropical climates. Tulips grow in a wide variety of bright colors including yellow, red, purple, orange, pink or a combination of colors such as red and yellow.



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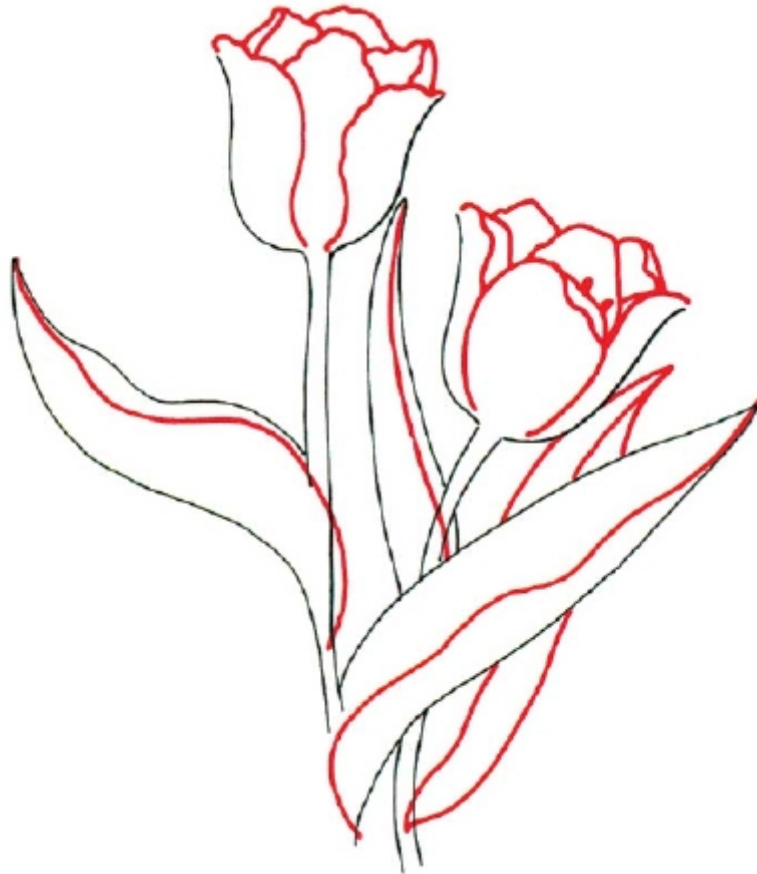
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**Step 1:** If you're careful, you can draw two tulips in only three steps. First, draw a straight stem for one tulip. Make the line for the left side half as long as the line for the right side.

On the left side of the stem, draw a large, curving leaf. At the bottom of the stem, draw another leaf shape. At the top, draw the sides of the tulip like an inverted bell.

Behind the right-hand leaf, draw another, curving stem with a tulip shape at the top. Behind the stem, draw another leaf curving upward between the two tulips.



**Step 2:** For the left-hand tulip, draw the outside petals with two wavy lines that curve downward toward the stem. Draw the inner petals with wavy lines. For the right-hand tulip, draw a center outside petal as a large oval.

Show that the petal is turning over by drawing another wavy line at the top. Draw in the remaining petals with wavy lines. Draw two tiny ovals for the center.

Show that the leaves are folded over by drawing curving lines for the front edges.



**Step 3:** Because this drawing has very little detail, shading is important. Darken the insides of the leaves with many long, fine lines. Use shorter lines to shade the curves in the outsides of the leaves.

Shade the stems with a few long lines. Shade the petals near the tips and around the bottoms.

Congratulations -- you conquered the tulip in three easy steps! In the next section, learn how to draw a popular houseplant called the spider plant.

## How to Draw a Spider Plant

A spider plant is one of the most popular houseplants in the world. They are very easy to grow and they are admired for their ornamental features and excellent filtering ability.



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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch the plant pot. First sketch a gently curving, four-sided shape for the rim. Underneath it, sketch a similar but shorter shape for the saucer. Connect the two with gently curving lines for the sides of the pot.

Sketch in many long, narrow, curving leaves. Have some of the leaves curving over the edge of the pot. Show that some leaves are behind others.

Do this by interrupting the lines for some leaves where they meet the lines for the front leaves. Sketch in three long, curving stems that come down below the bottom of the pot.



**Step 2:** Fill in the plant with more leaves around and behind the ones you have drawn. At the end of the stem lines, draw more long, narrow leaves for the baby plants.

Add the second side to each of the stems. Add a fourth stem at the bottom of the pot. Give it long, narrow leaves that go behind the stem next to it.



**Step 3:** Redraw the pot, interrupting the lines of the pot where the leaves cover it. Draw tiny oval roots at the bottom of each of the babies.



**Step 4:** Draw a center vein in most of the leaves with a long line that follows the curve of the leaf.



**Step 5:** Shade the undersides of the leaves with lines that follow the curve of the leaf. Darken the leaves close to the pot with many short lines. Shade the sides of the pot with short, curving lines.

That was a tough one, but the spider plant is quite detailed, so give yourself a pat on the back. In the next section, learn how to draw the pretty, and plentiful, orchid.

## How to Draw an Orchid

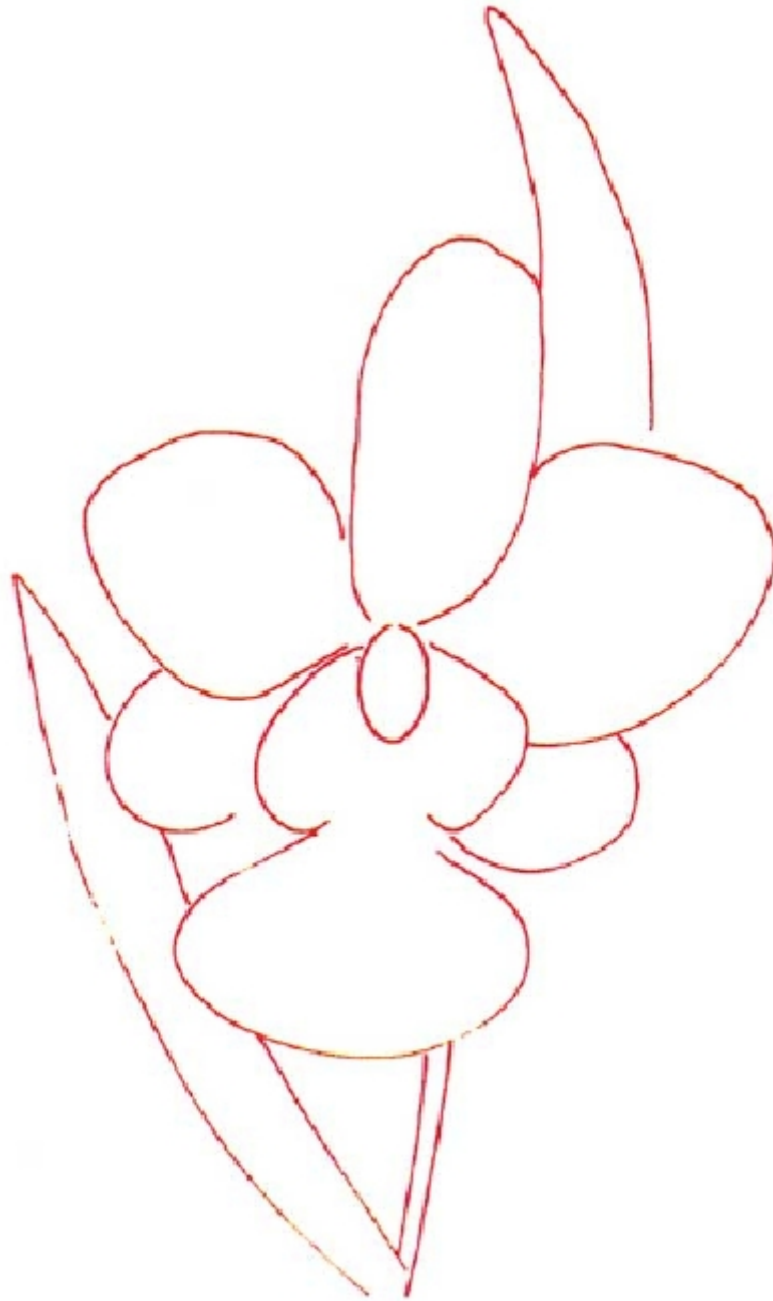
Would you believe that there are more than 24,000 orchid species? This colorful flower is extremely diverse and it is one of the most advanced flowering plants on the planet.



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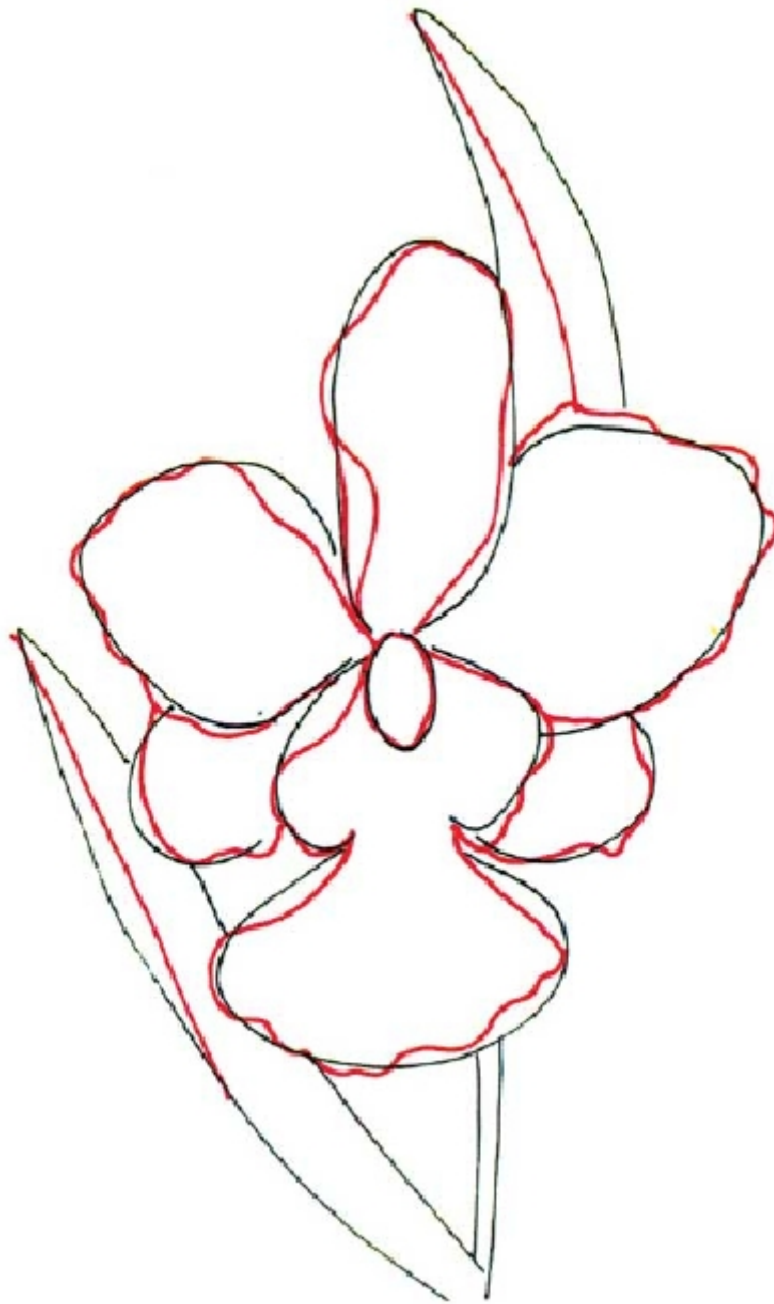
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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch an oval for the center of the flower. On each side, sketch a large curve that connects to the top of the oval. Connect the bottoms of these two lines with a wide U shape.

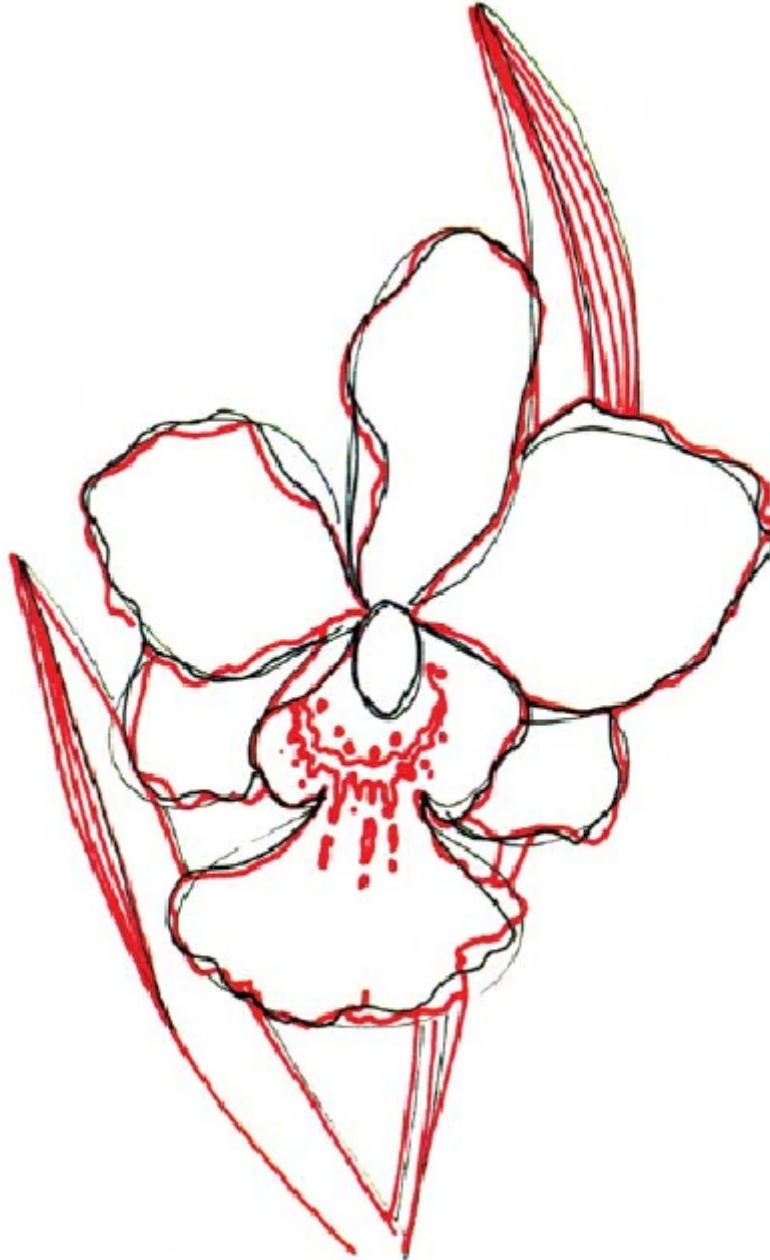
Sketch three large ovals near the small oval center. Sketch two half circles for the remaining petals. Draw two straight lines for the

stem. Sketch a leaf shape with two curving lines. At the top, sketch another leaf shape.



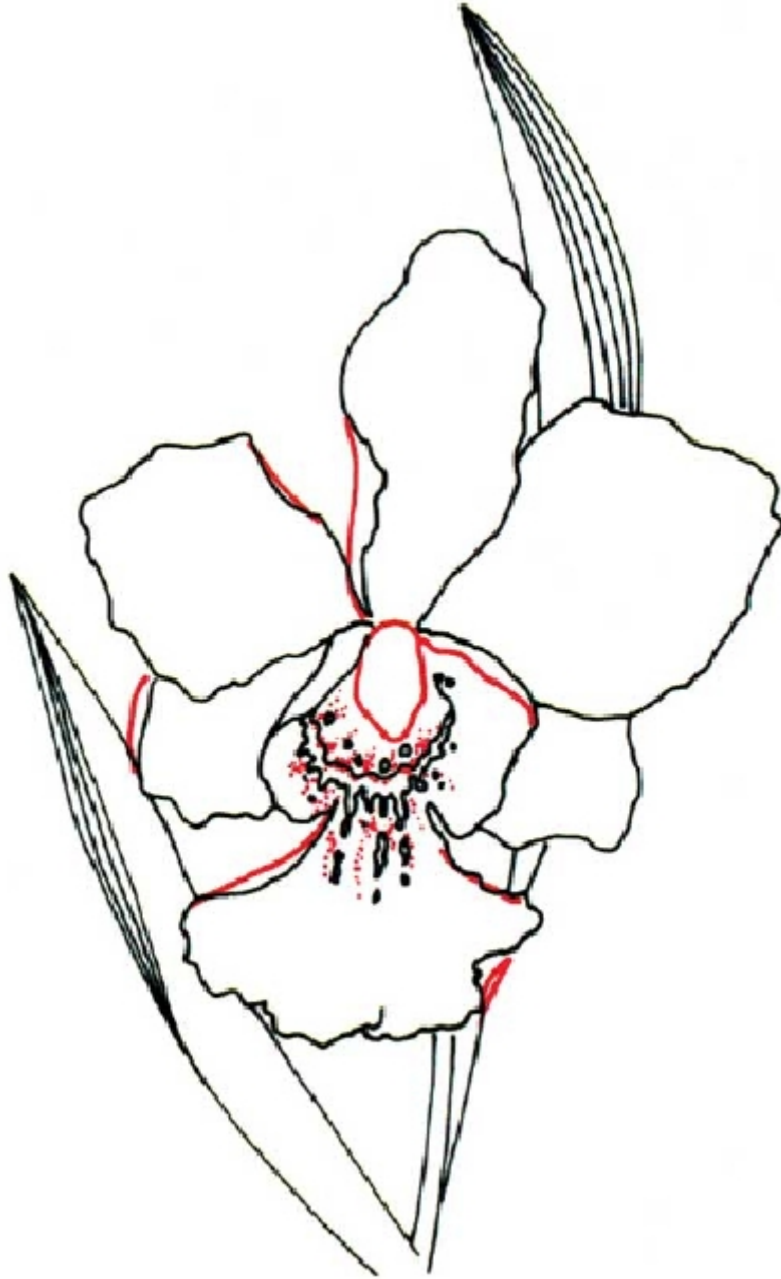
**Step 2:** Redraw the outlines of the petals with wavy lines. Redraw the center of the flower so that it is an irregular oval. Add another line to each leaf to show that the edge is turned over.





**Step 3:** In each leaf, draw several long parallel lines in the small section that is turned over. Outline the petals, giving them a more irregular edge. Draw a design of small circles and squiggly curves near the center of the flower.

Draw a line from the bottom of the right-hand side of the stem to the petals to show that the top leaf is attached to the stem.



**Step 4:** Add a series of small dots surrounding the center design. For some of the petals, add a line to the contour to show that the petal is folded over.



**Step 5:** Shade most of the center of the flower with short parallel lines. Shade the petals at their tips and centers with more lines. Vary the lengths of the lines. Shade the leaves and stem with long parallel lines.

Whenever you're done putting the finishing touches on your beautiful orchid, continue to the next section to learn how to draw a flowering plant whose name means "rainbow" in Greek.

In the next section, learn how to draw an iris.

## How to Draw an Iris

Much like a poppy, an iris is a showy flower. It is grown as an ornamental plant in gardens, and colors range from purple and sky-blue to yellow and a rare red.

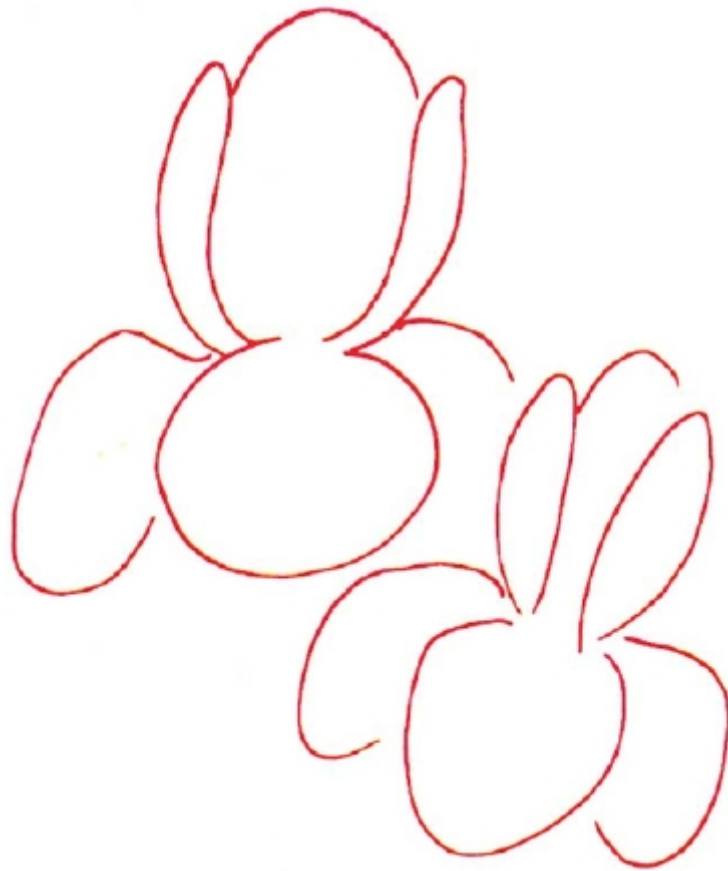


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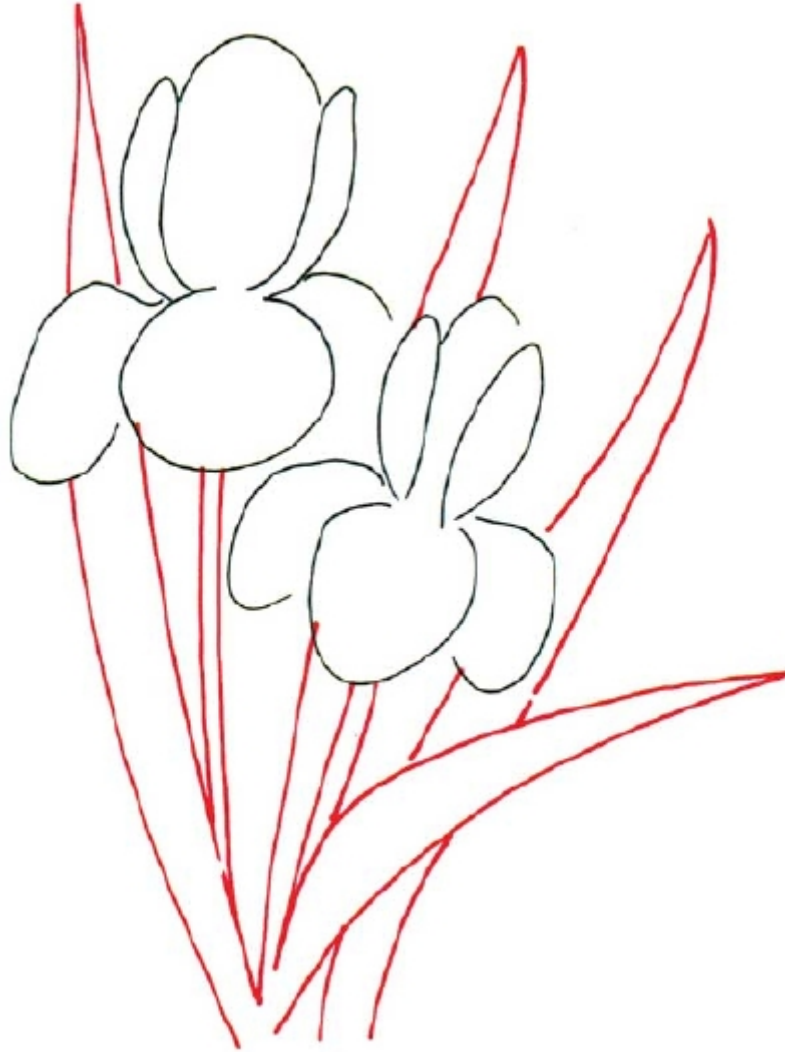
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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch an oval shape for the top of the flower. Underneath it, sketch a circle. For the second iris, sketch another oval and circle to the right and a little below the first set.

To make petals, sketch a sausage-shaped loop on both sides of the ovals. Sketch half-circles on both sides of the circles.



**Step 2:** Add stems to the flowers by drawing two slightly curving lines coming down from each flower. Draw three long, narrow leaves behind the flowers.

Make sure the leaf lines don't go into the petals of the flowers. Draw another leaf curving below the two flowers.



**Step 3:** Give the flowers ruffled edges with wavy lines along the petal edges. Draw a rough, long oval in the center of each flower. Add a fold at the top of each stem by drawing two vertical lines to make the top of the stem wider.

Then draw a diagonal line across the stem. Draw a second diagonal line from the top of the stem to the center of the first line.



**Step 4:** Sketch many short lines all around the centers of the flowers to make them look fuzzy. On the lower petals of each flower, sketch in a wavy line as shown. Draw many tiny circles on both sides of the line.

Draw a series of parallel lines in the top area of each stem above the fold you drew in step 3. In the bottom leaf, draw the fold of the leaf with a long line through the center, following the curve of the leaf.





**Step 5:** Add short, curving lines to the petals for shading. Vary the lengths of the lines. Use short lines to add shading on one side of each of the centers.

For the stems, draw in several long lines at the bottom and a few short lines at the top. Draw a series of long, vertical lines in each leaf, following the curve of the leaf.

Your iris drawing is complete! Ready for another? Continue to the next section to learn how to draw a flaming red plant that some like to call “winter rose.”

In the next section, learn how to draw a perfect poinsettia.

## How to Draw a Poinsettia

Poinsettias are native to the Pacific Coast of Mexico. These fiery flowers are shrubs to small trees that can actually grow up to 16 feet tall.

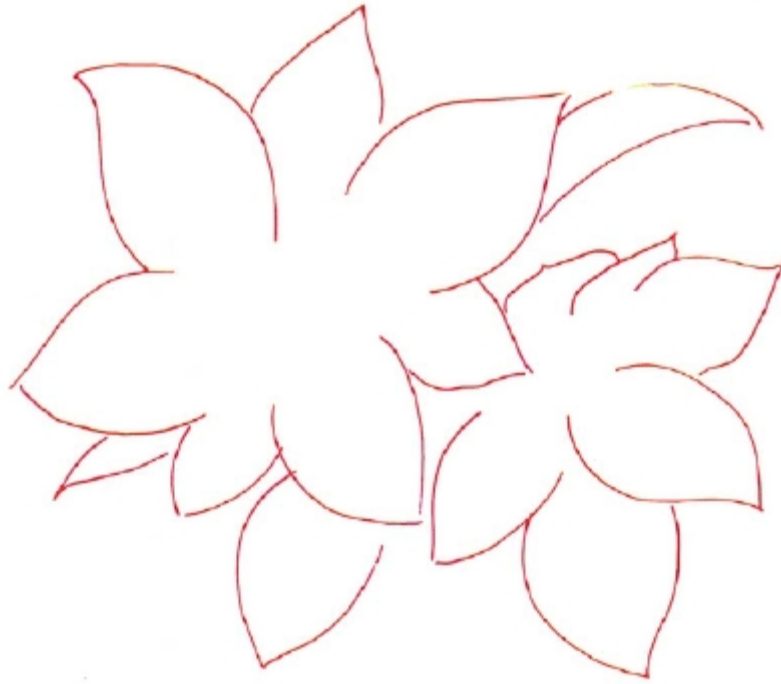
Red poinsettias are America's favorite, but poinsettias are also cream colored, orange, and pale green. Some even have marbled leaves.



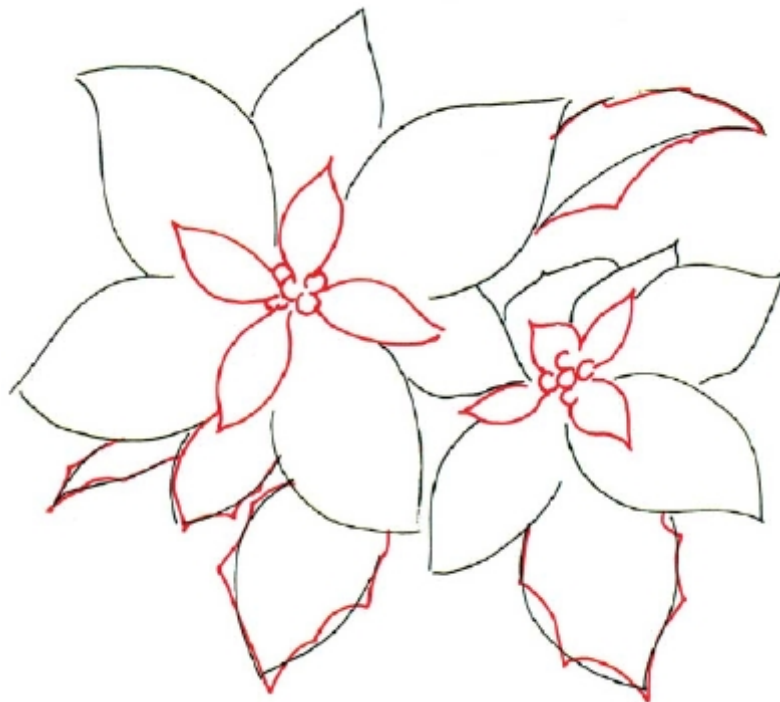
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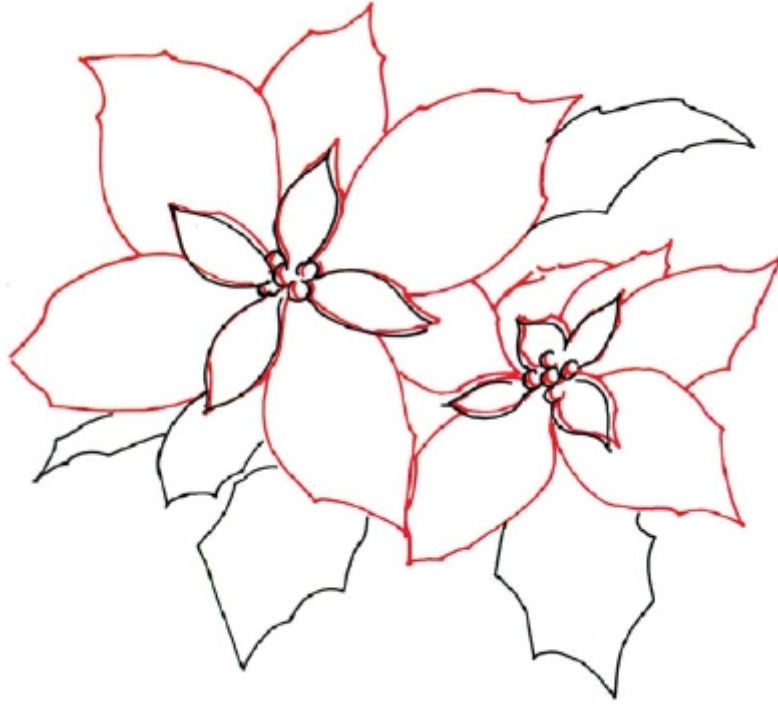
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**Step 1:** To draw two poinsettia flowers, sketch in large leaf shapes by drawing curved lines that meet at a point.



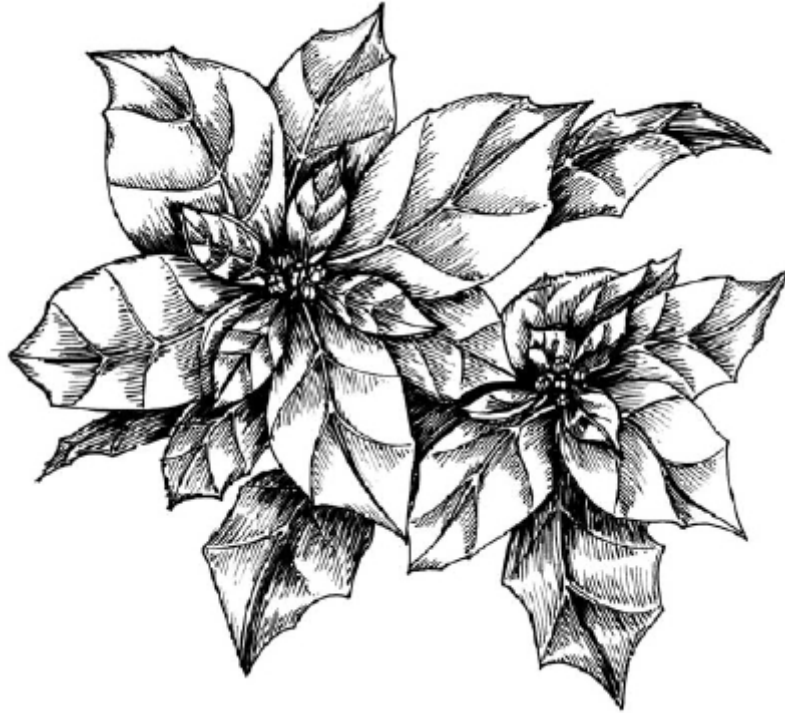
**Step 2:** Lightly sketch a group of small circle shapes at the center of each flower. Around each of these groups, sketch four smaller leaf shapes. Define the outer leaves by using lines that curve inward.



**Step 3:** Redraw the outlines of the petals to make small points along the curves.



**Step 4:** Draw veins in each petal and leaf. Do this by sketching two curving lines down the center with smaller sets of curving lines branching off to the edges. In each center circle, draw two short, parallel lines topped with an irregular circle.



**Step 5:** Shade the petals with a series of short parallel lines on the side of each vein closest to the tip. Make the leaves darker than the petals by shading them with lines on both sides of each vein.

Your perfect poinsettia is ready to be framed. Continue to the next section to learn how to draw a flowering plant with blossoms that morph into tiny red berries!

In the next section, learn how to draw a lily of the valley.

## How to Draw a Lily of the Valley

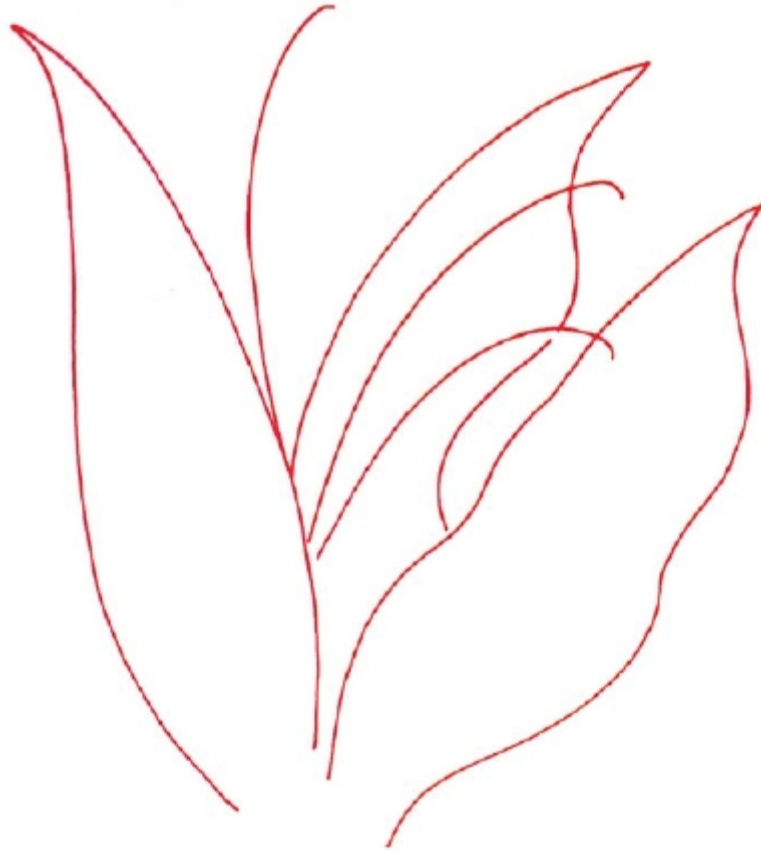
Also known as “Our Lady's Tears,” lily of the valley is native to Asia and Europe. It can also be found in a limited number of woodland areas in North America. This special flower is popular for its delicate scent and its white bell-shaped blossoms that change to red-berries.



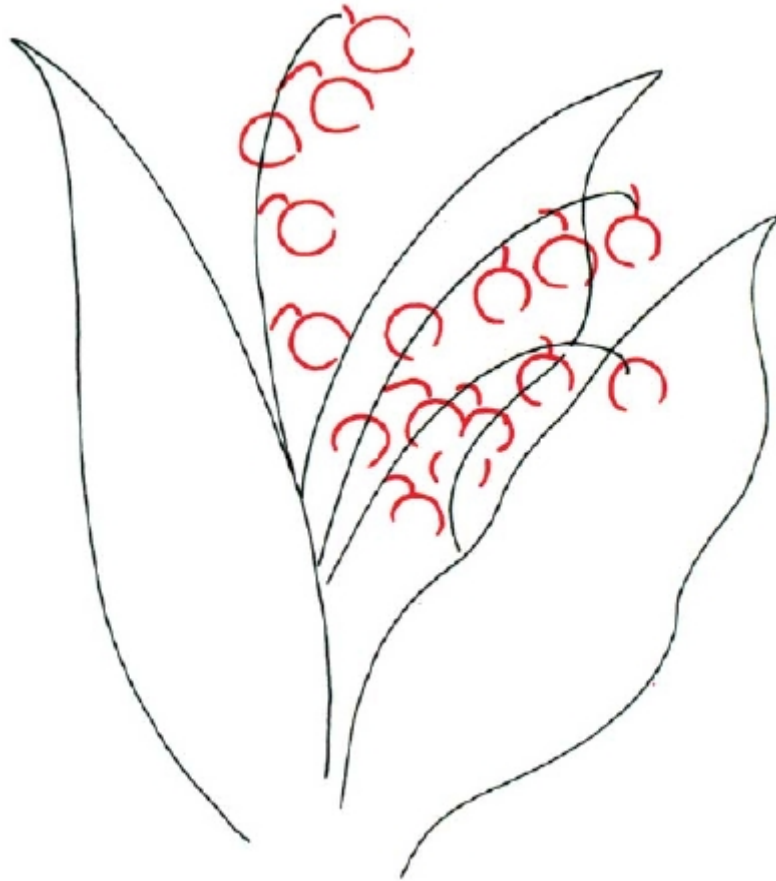
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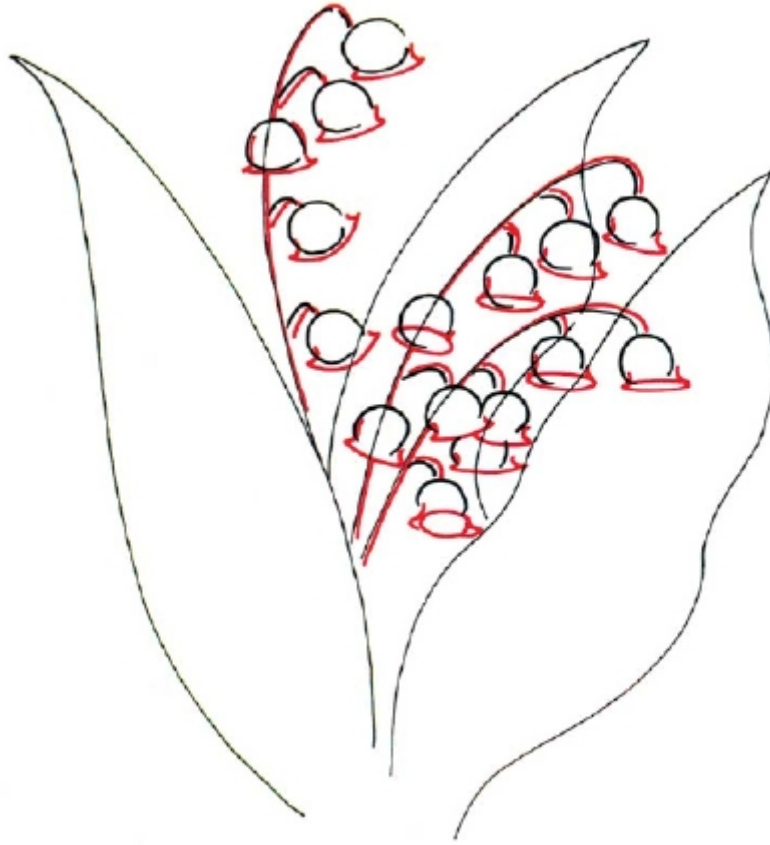


**Step 1:** Lightly sketch three leaves using curved lines. Give the right-hand edge of two of the leaves a slightly wavy edge. Over the center leaf, lightly sketch three curved stems. Draw each stem with a slight hook at the top.



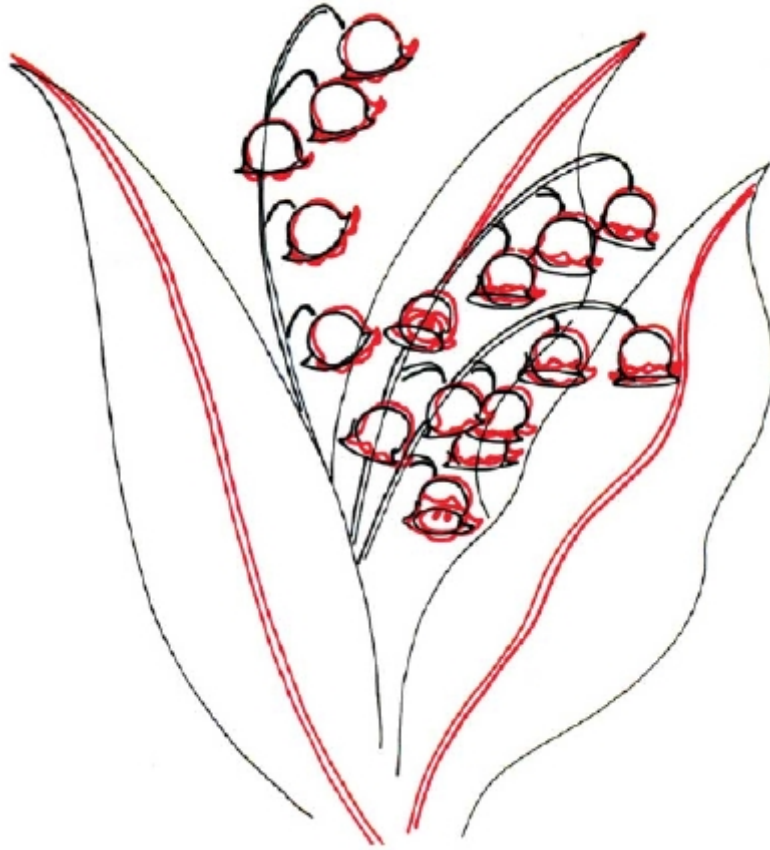
**Step 2:** Along each stem, lightly draw five or six circles to show where the bell-like flowers will go. Attach the circles to the stems with short, hooked lines.





**Step 3:** Extend the bottoms of the circles into bell shapes. Show that some of the bells are tilted toward you by drawing an oval shape at the bottom of the circle.

Finish each stem by drawing a second line next to the first line.



**Step 4:** Add veins in each leaf with two curving lines down the center. Give the flower bells ruffled edges by drawing the bottom of each bell as a scalloped line.

Add a second scalloped line to show that the petals are turning up. For the bells that are tilted toward you, draw the bottom as a circle inside a scalloped circle. Draw tiny, tear-shaped centers in the bells that are the most tilted.



**Step 5:** Darken the back leaf using long lines that follow the curve of the leaf. Interrupt the lines where they meet the stems and flowers.

Shade the tips, centers, and bottoms of the other two leaves using long, curving lines. Shade the sides and tops of the bells with short lines.

If your lily of the valley drawing is ready to hang, continue to the next page to learn how to draw everyone's favorite fruit. In the next section learn how to draw grapes.

## How to Draw Grapes

By the time they reach the supermarket, Grapes have been picked from clusters ranging anywhere from 6 to 300 grapes. These grape clusters can grow just about anywhere, from the U.S. and Canada to Asia. Grapes are not only tasty, but they are also nutritious. So much, that they are considered a “superfruit” around the globe.

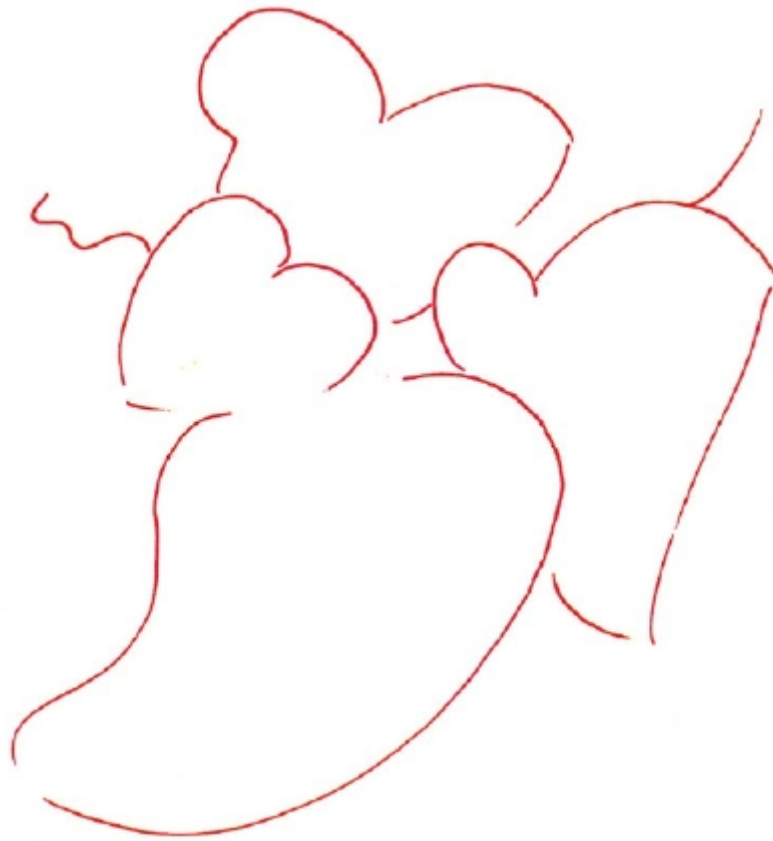
While most people are accustomed to either green, purple or black grapes, grapes are also blue, golden, red, pink, brown, peach, and even white.



**Learn how to draw this bunch of grapes.**

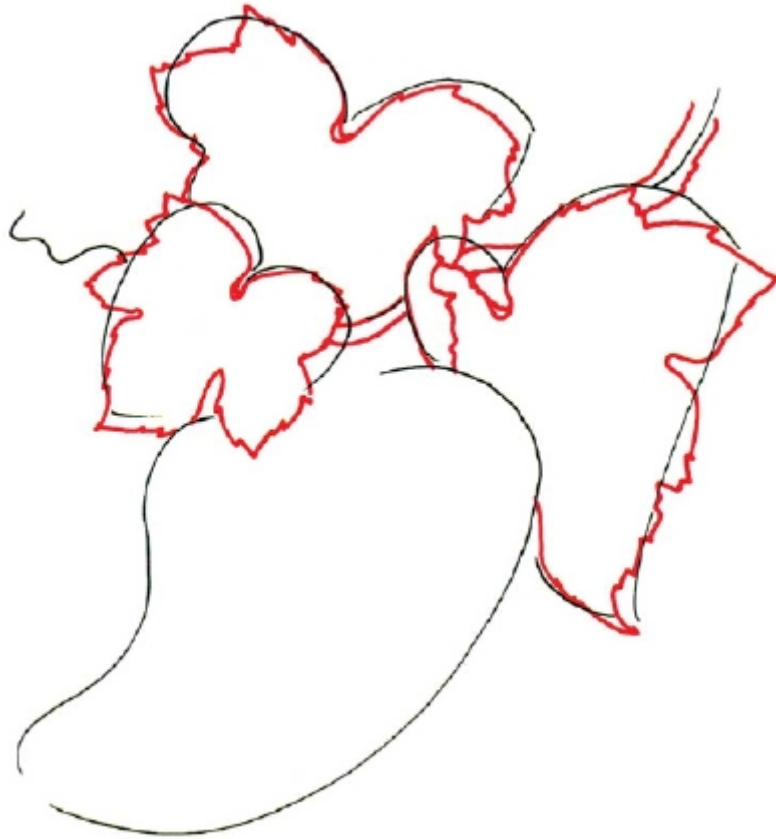
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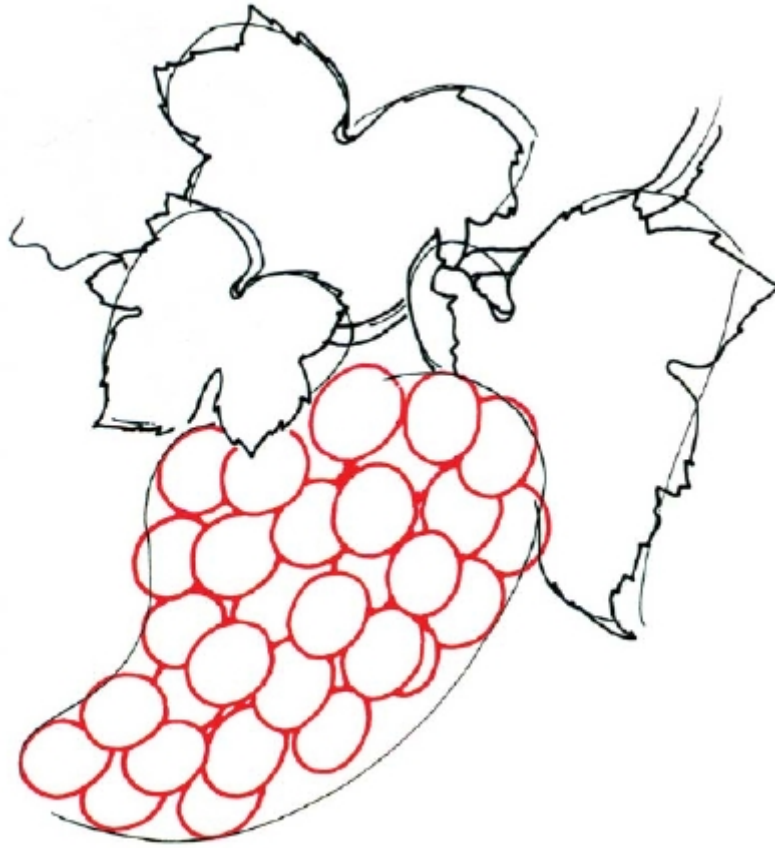


**Step 1:** Lightly sketch a rough kidney shape to show where the bunch of grapes will go. Above it, lightly sketch three rough heart shapes to show the position of the leaves.

Sketch in two stems, one with a wiggly line and the other with a curving line.



**Step 2:** Using jagged lines, draw in the edges of the leaves. Show that the corner of one leaf folds over by drawing a jagged line inside a curved line. Draw the outline of the right-hand stem with two slightly jagged lines.



**Step 3:** Fill the kidney shape with grapes by drawing many oval shapes. Show that some grapes are behind others by leaving the ovals incomplete.



**Step 4:** Draw veins in each leaf. Do this by sketching two curving lines down the center with smaller sets of curving lines branching off to the edges. Draw the curly stem with two wavy lines.





**Step 5:** Shade the leaves with lines along the veins. Shade the edges of the leaves with shorter lines. Shade the bottoms of the grapes with short lines.

Darken the grapes that are slightly hidden with many short lines. Shade the large stem with lines following the outline of the stem.

Drawing so many perfect circles probably gave you lots of practice. But in the next section, instead of drawing perfect circles, you'll draw a few not-so-perfect circles, and other interesting shapes. Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a [lilac](#).

## How to Draw a Lilac

Lilac is famous for its strong, but pleasant scent. These ornamental flowers are native to Europe and Asia, and can develop into small trees and shrubs in ideal conditions.

Lilacs can live for hundreds of years and they bloom in a wide array of colors such as white, purple, red, yellow, and orange, to name a few.



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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch a large heart shape for a leaf. Sketch a curving, Y-shaped stem and add smaller leaves to the stem. Sketch in two groups of circles and ovals to show where the flowers will go.



**Step 2:** Within each sketched circle, draw a small blossom. Each blossom is a tiny center circle surrounded by four rough oval shapes. Some blossoms will overlap others so that the bottom blossoms can't be seen completely.

Fill both areas completely with blossoms. At the top of each group of blossoms, draw in ribbon-like shapes.



**Step 3:** Draw two short lines in each petal to show ridges. Make sure the edges of the petals are not perfectly round. Give the edges a slight wave.



**Step 4:** For all of the leaves except the large, heart-shaped one, draw in a second edge close to the first edge. This will show that the leaf is curling upward. Draw veins in each leaf.

Do this by sketching two curving lines down the center with smaller sets of curving lines branching off to the edges.



**Step 5:** Shade the leaves with many short parallel lines starting at the veins. Shade one side of each stem with short parallel lines.

Use very short lines to shade some of the flowers. The flowers are very detailed and don't need much shading.

Take a bow. Your lilac is complete! Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a plant that instantly conjures up images of an island paradise. In the next section, learn how to draw a palm.

## How to Draw a Palm

A palm (plant) is probably one of the only plants that most of us associate with vacationing in a warm climate. A palm is widespread in the tropics, of course, and it is extremely popular due to its attractive appearance.

This flowering plant is not just a pretty face. A palm is also important economically, as it provides food, fiber, and even oil. A palm is the fourth largest among the *monocots* -- plants with one seed leaf.

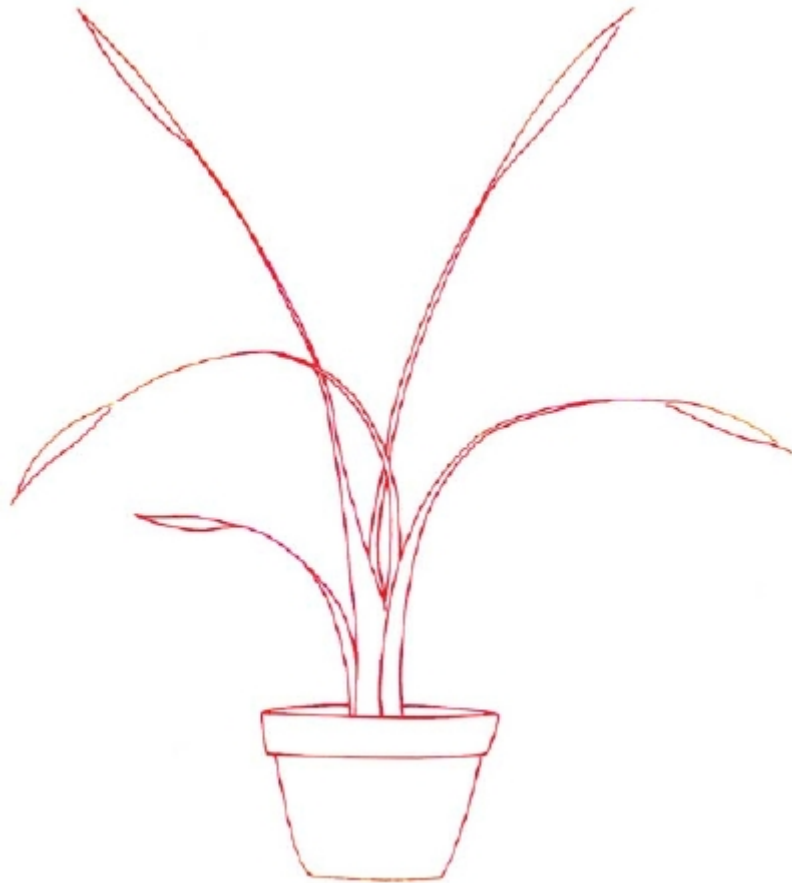


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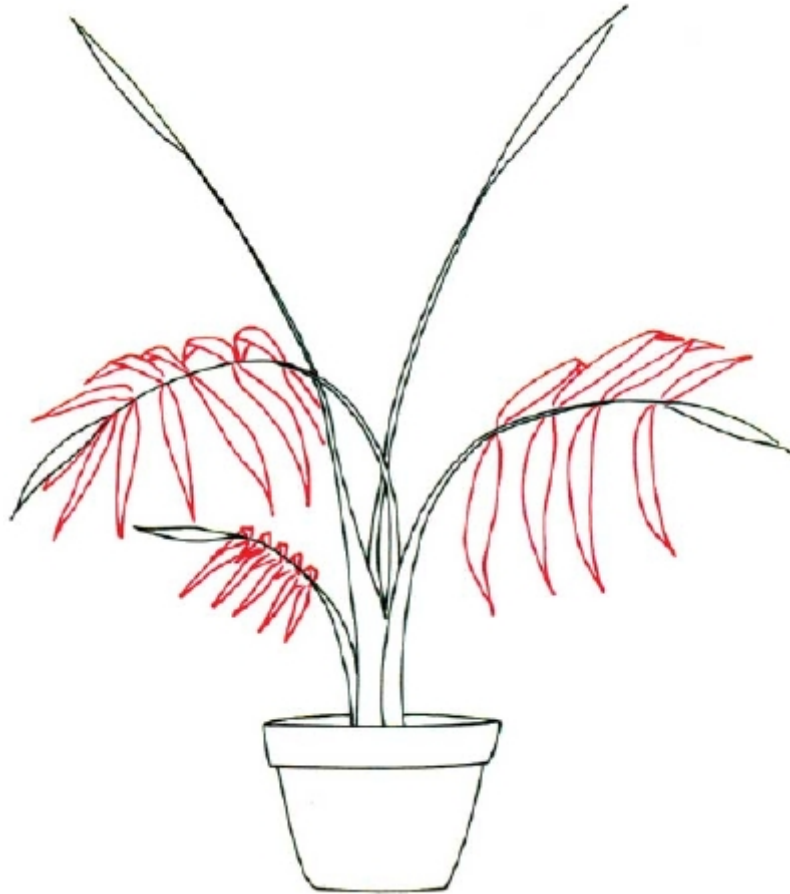
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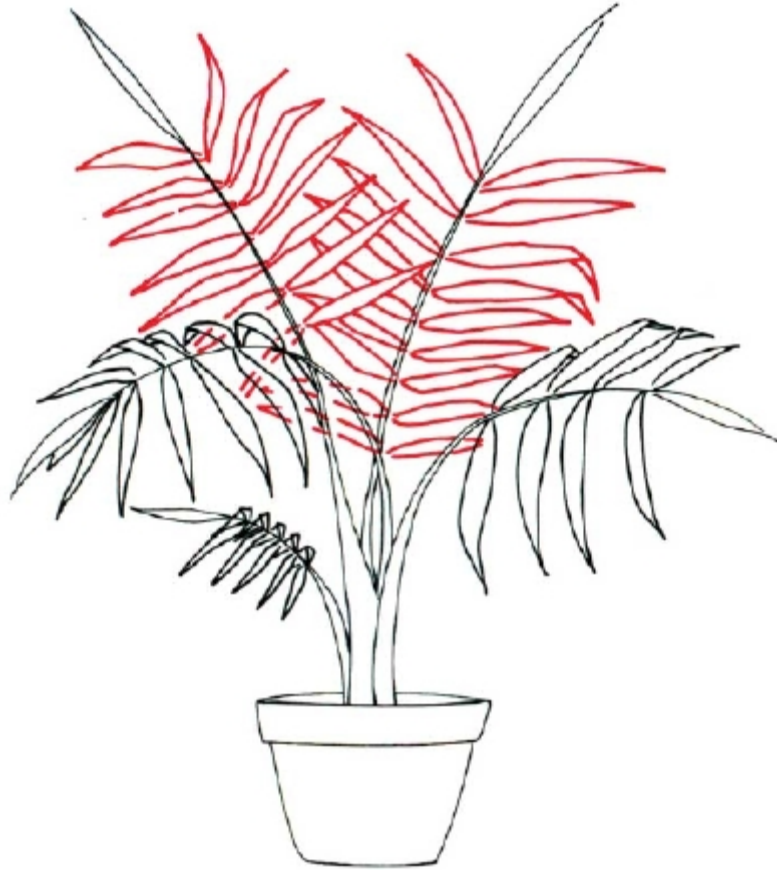




**Step 1:** Draw the pot shape as shown. Draw long, curving stems coming out of the pot. Make the stems thicker at the bottom. At the end of each stem, draw a leaf shape.



**Step 2:** Draw many leaf shapes along the three stems in front. Show that the ends of some of the leaves fold over by adding a triangle shape near the end.

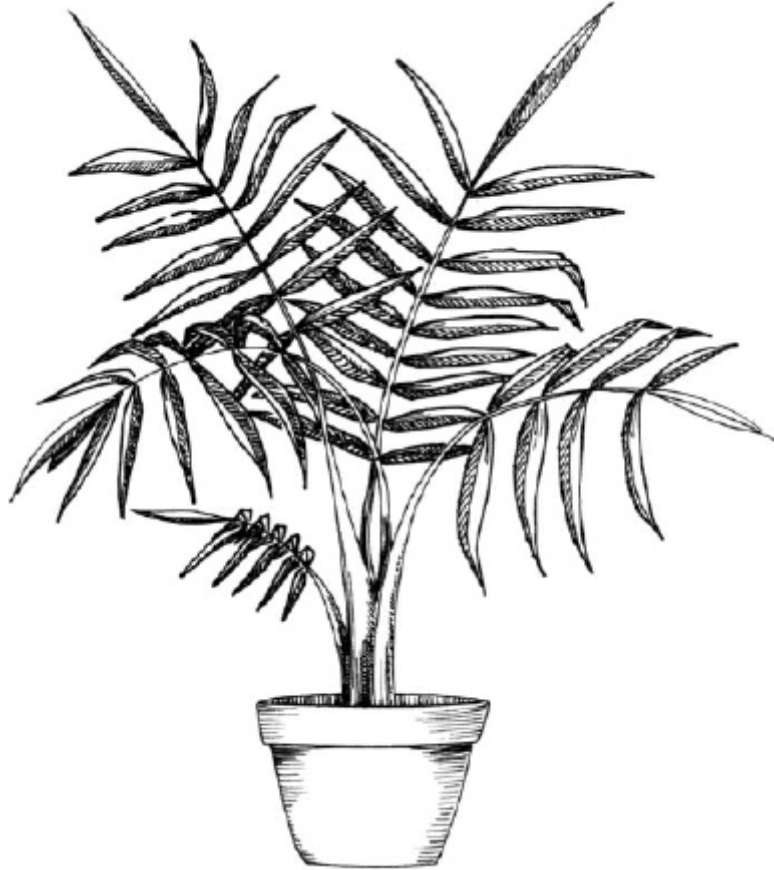


**Step 3:** Draw leaf shapes on the other two stems. Make sure that the lines don't extend into shapes that are in front of these leaves.

Add triangle shapes to the ends of some of these leaves to show that they fold over.



**Step 4:** Show a vein in each leaf by drawing a long line through the center of each one.



**Step 5:** Add shading to the leaves by drawing short lines on the bottom half of each leaf. Shade the stems with long lines and some short crisscrossed lines.

Use short vertical lines to shade inside the pot. Shade the outside of the pot with horizontal lines on each side.

Don't start packing for that island vacation just yet, we still have more flowers and plants to draw! In the next section learn how to draw a flower that's bursting with color *and* personality.

Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a lily.

## How to Draw a Lily

A lily is an herbaceous (non-woody) flowering plant that grows from bulbs. It typically grows in temperate and sub-tropical regions, but lilies can also grow in most gardens or as potted plants.

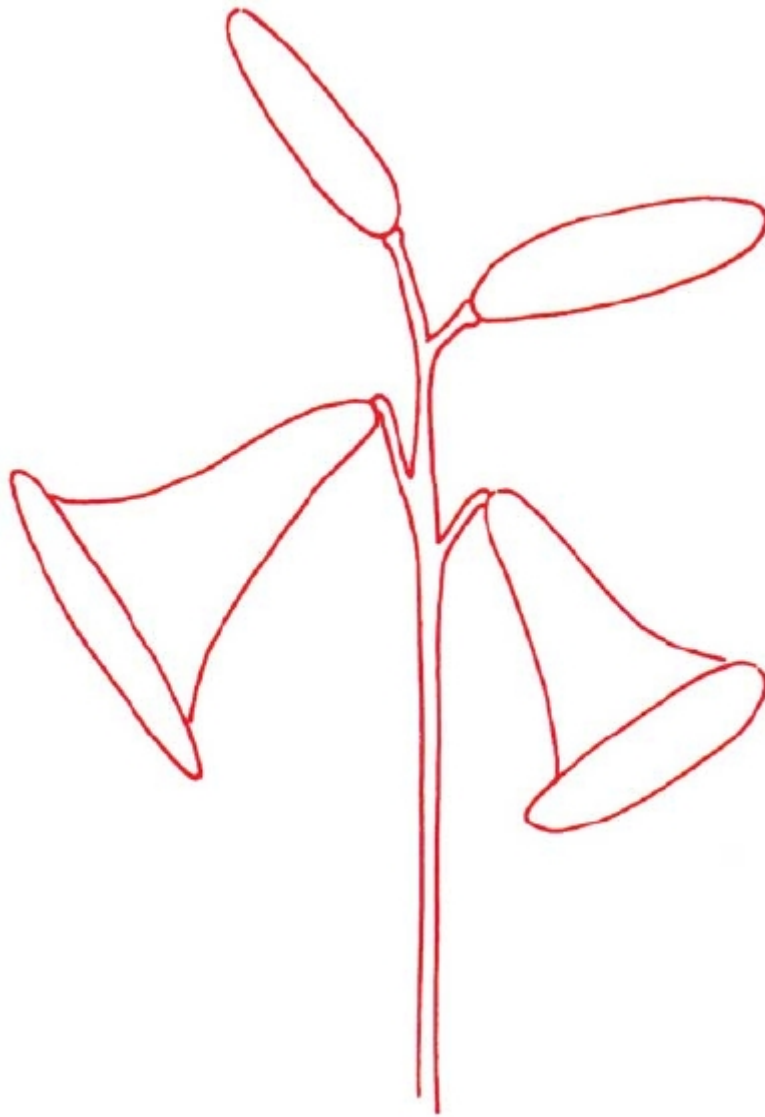
These fragrant flowers symbolize purity and they bloom in a wide variety of striking colors such as gold, peach, red, green, orange, pink, and even black.



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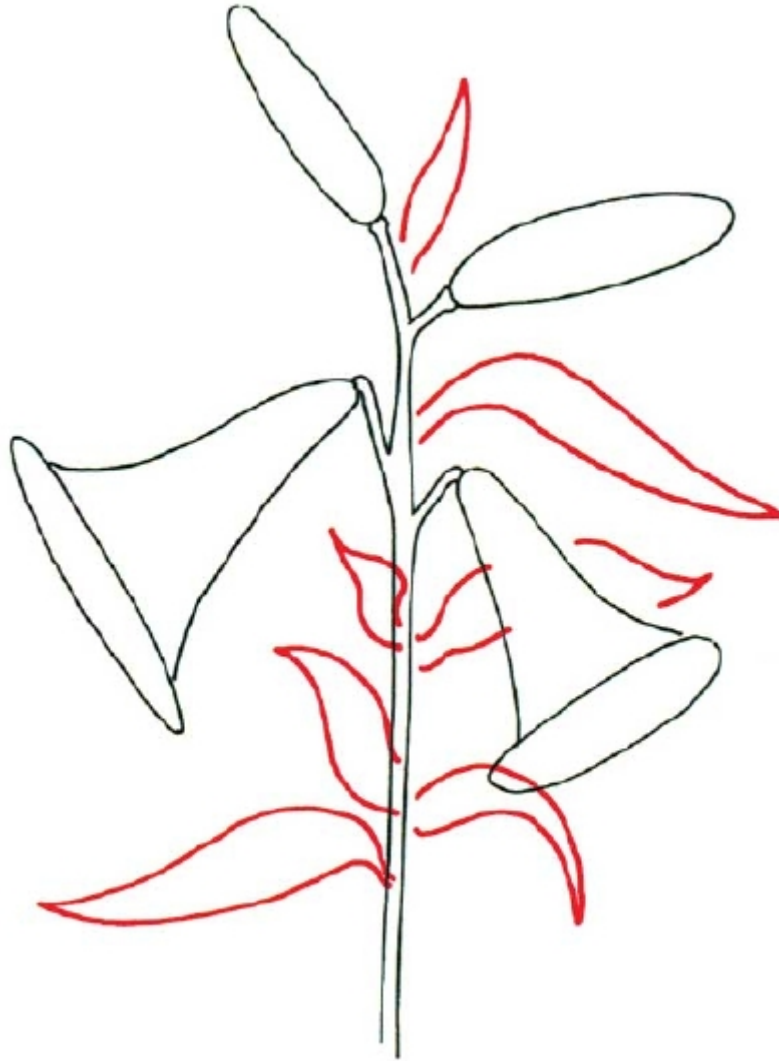
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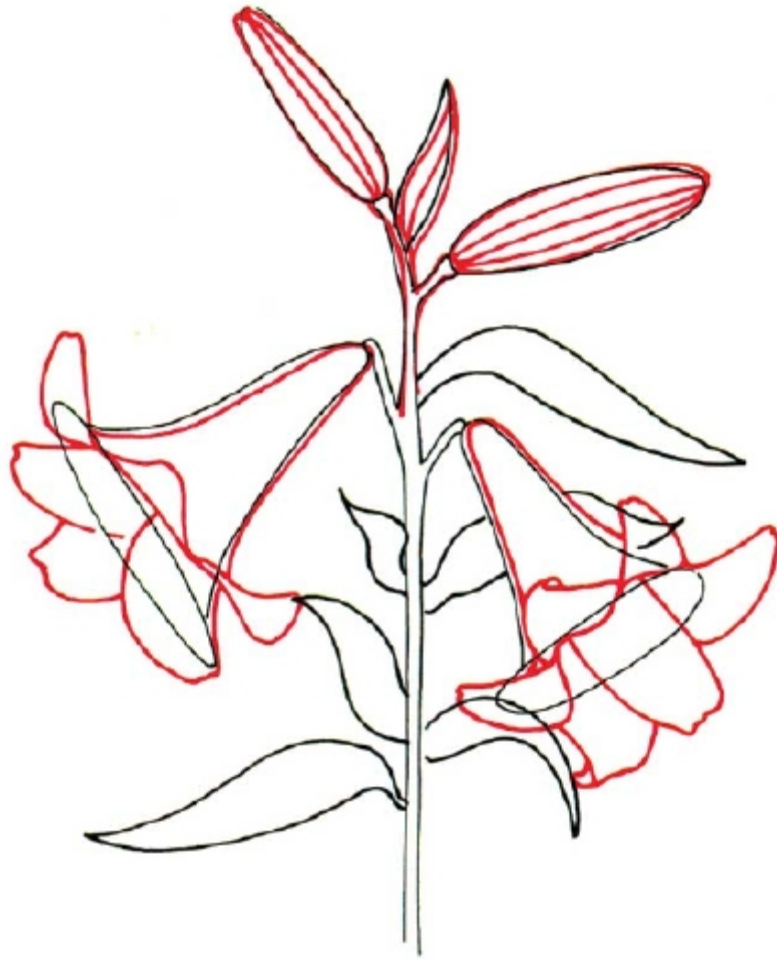
**Step 1:** Draw a Y-shaped stem having two short branches at the top. Make the ends of the branches rounded. For pods, draw a long, narrow oval at the end of each branch.

One quarter of the way from the top of the stem, draw two more short branches. For the lily flowers, draw a long, thin bell shape at the end of each of these branches.

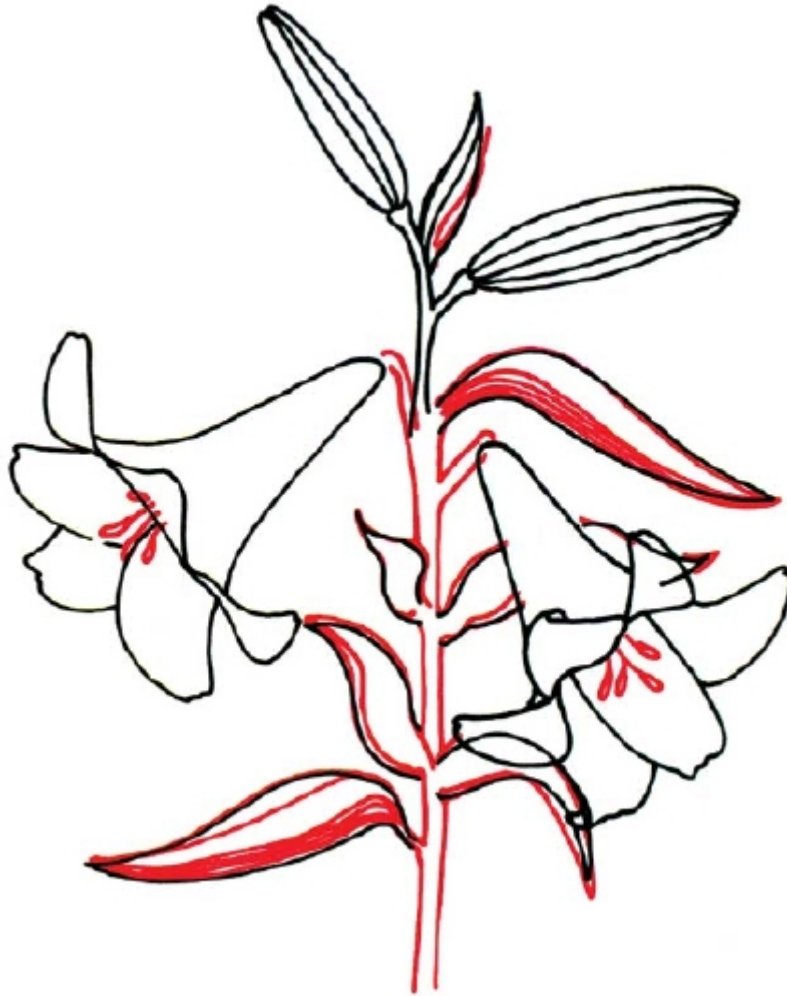


**Step 2:** Draw curving leaves along the stem. When leaves go behind flowers, make sure that the leaf lines don't go through the flower shapes.





**Step 3:** Put ridges in the pods with two or three long lines. In the topmost leaf, draw a line down the center. Draw the petals of the lilies with rounded triangular shapes as shown.



**Step 4:** Draw the centers of the flowers with four small ovals attached to short lines. Define the leaves with curving lines. Redraw the stem line.



**Step 5:** Shade the pods and leaves with delicate lines that follow their curves. Shade the stem and branches with a few lines that suggest shadows.

Darken the ends of the flowers with long, delicate lines. Shade the petal tips with shorter lines. Make the centers appear fuzzy by adding very short lines to the ovals.

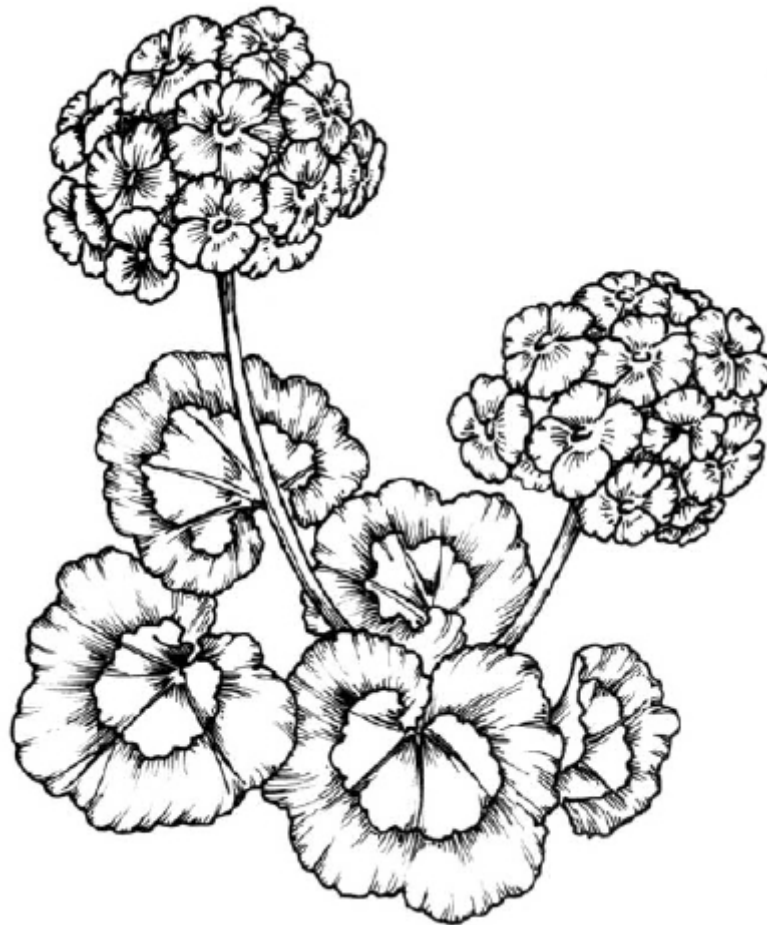
Your lovely lily is complete and ready to be added to your growing flower collection. In the next section, learn how to draw a flower that has the ability to grow just about anywhere.

Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a geranium.

## How to Draw a Geranium

Geraniums are commonly found in the eastern part of the Mediterranean. Not only are these flowers attractive, but they also have the ability to grow just about anywhere -- if properly cared for.

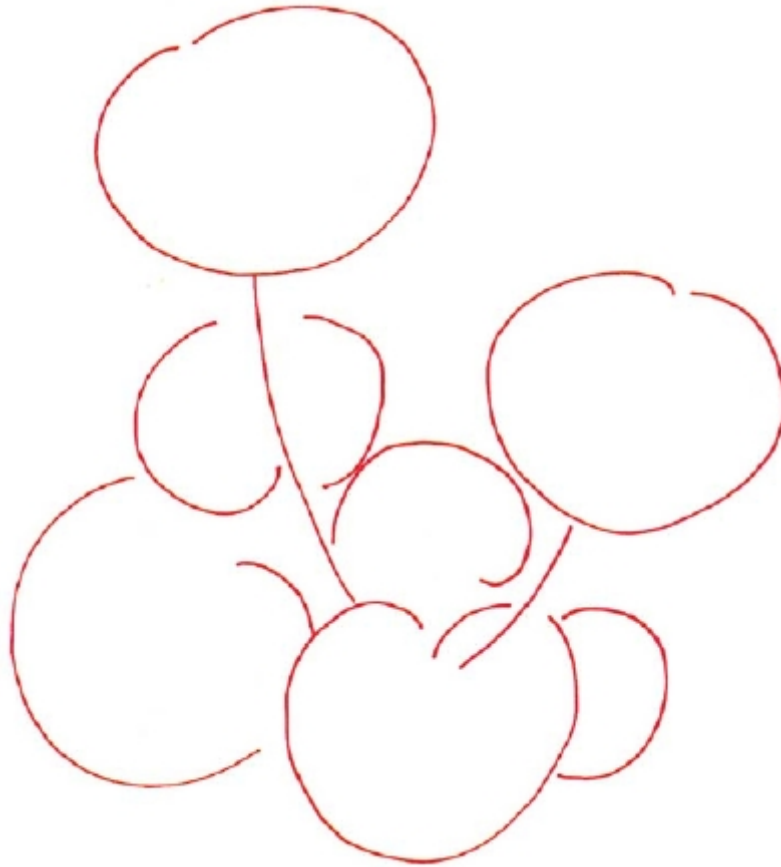
Colors run the gamut from mauve, red, and maroon to pink, white, and even two-tone.



**Learn how to draw this geranium.**

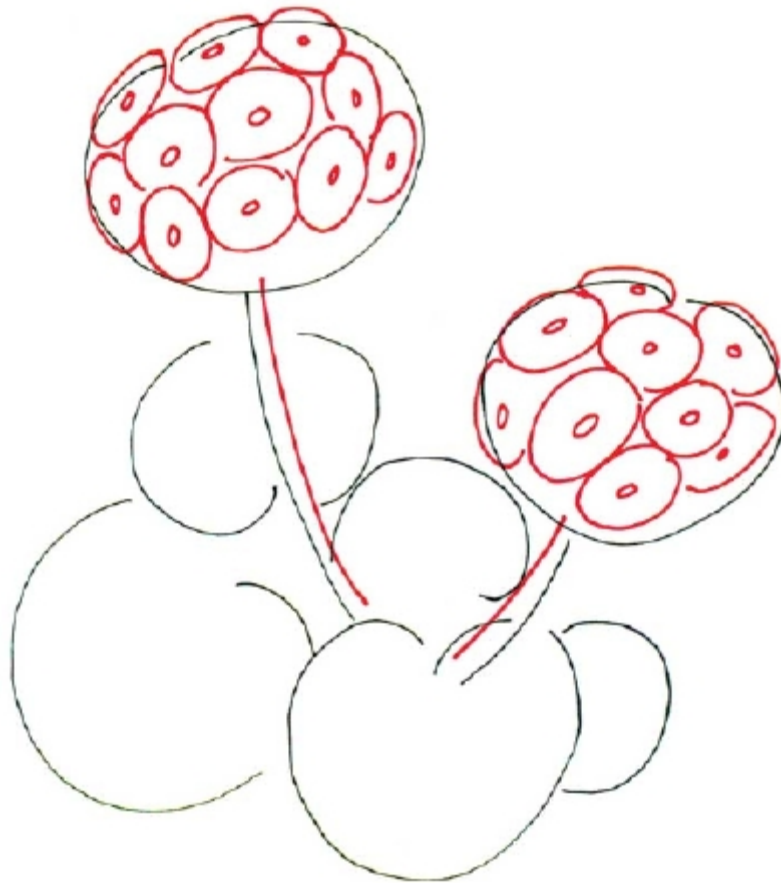
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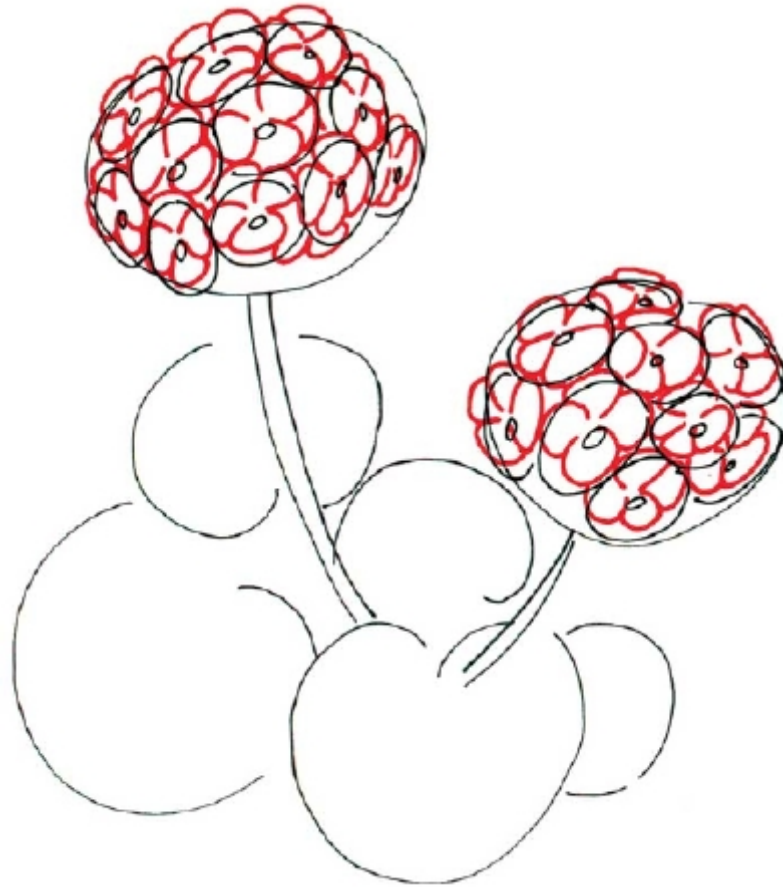
**Step 1:** Show the positions of the two groups of flowers by lightly sketching two large circles. Sketch in stems using two lines curving down from the circles.

Around the bottom of the stems, sketch large shapes that look like rounded hearts.

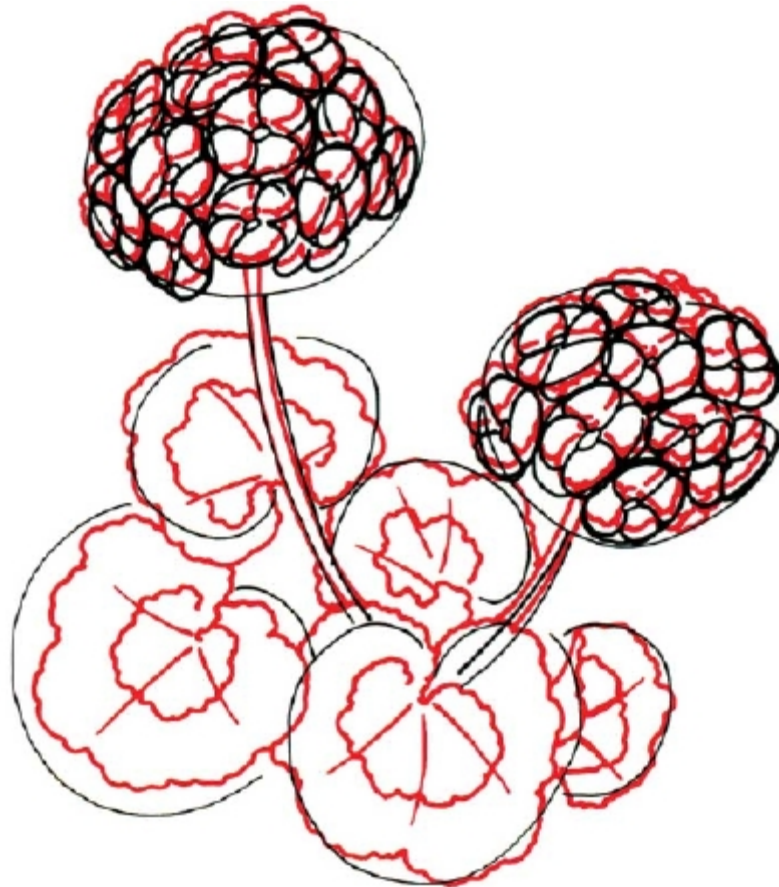


**Step 2:** Finish each stem by drawing a second line parallel to the first one. Lightly fill the large circles with smaller circles to show individual blossoms.

For the centers of the blossoms, draw a small circle inside each of these circles.



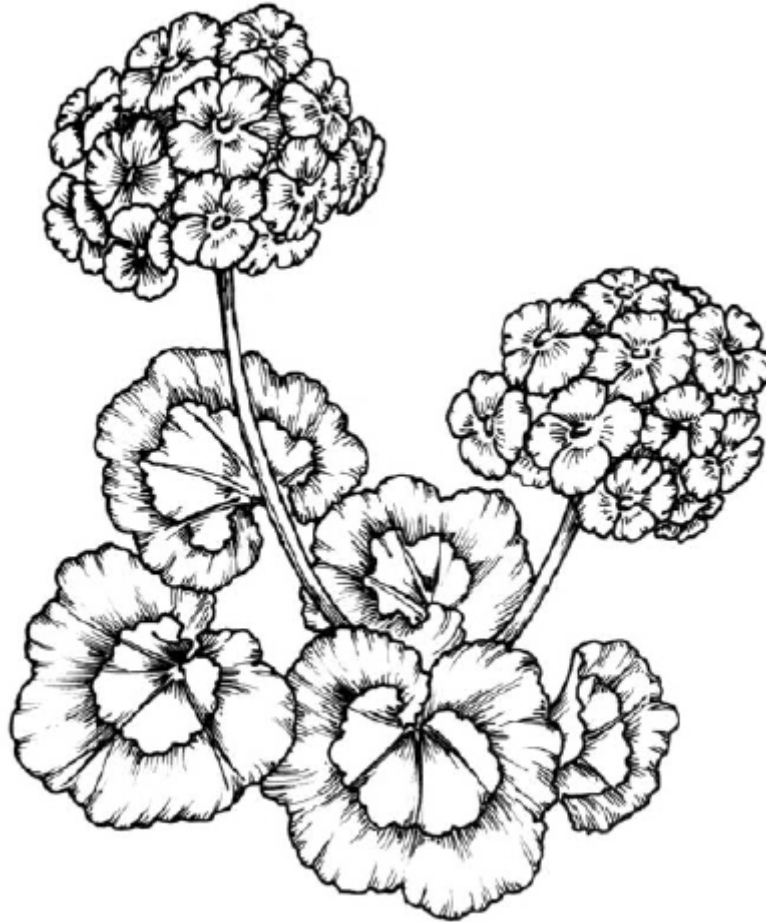
**Step 3:** For the petals, surround each center circle with four rough oval shapes. Draw these shapes lightly. Some blossoms will overlap others so that the bottom blossoms can't be seen completely.



**Step 4:** Redraw the petals with scalloped lines to make the petals look ruffly. Redraw the centers of the blossoms. Redraw the stem so that it ends at the bottom leaf shape.

Draw the edges of each leaf with a roughly scalloped line. Draw a similar scalloped line around the center of each leaf. Draw three veins for each leaf with curving lines.





**Step 5:** Use several short lines to shade near the centers and edges of each petal. Shade the top and bottom of each stem with a few short lines.

Shade the outside sections of each leaf and darken the center of each leaf.

Are you beginning to feel like a pro? Great! Now let's move on to a fruit whose popularity peaks around Halloween and Thanksgiving.

In the next section, learn how to draw a pumpkin.

## How to Draw a Pumpkin

A pumpkin is a very useful squash fruit that is used for everything from pies and snack foods to decorations and even home remedies. Most of us are accustomed to seeing (and purchasing) orange pumpkins, but believe it or not pumpkins start out with a deep green tone.

In some cases, a pumpkin may never ripen to its bright orange color. Some pumpkin fans actually like the stubborn green ones, often referring to them as "unique."

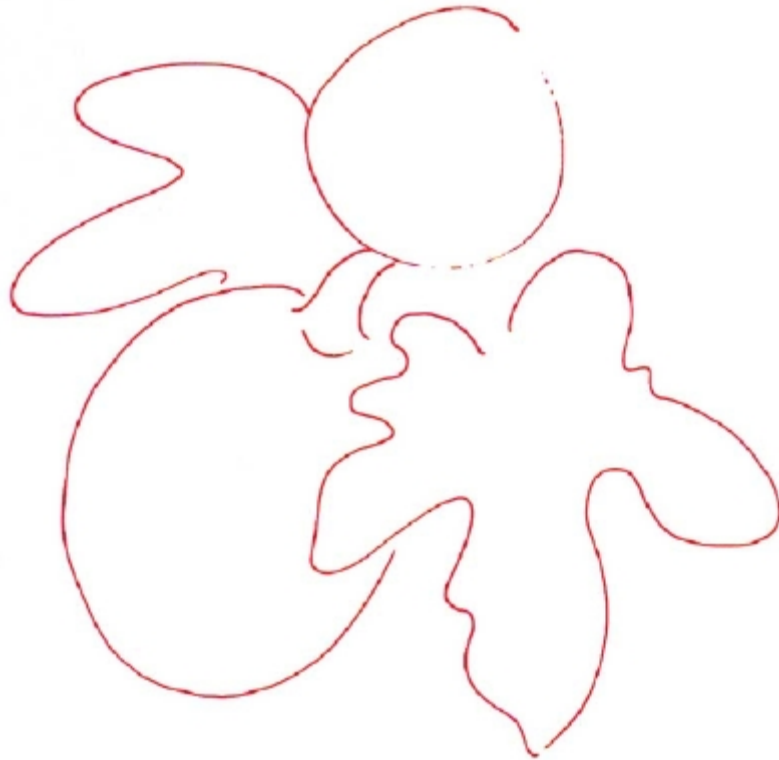
Here's an amazing fact about pumpkins: depending on the variety, a pumpkin can grow up to 500 lbs. or more!



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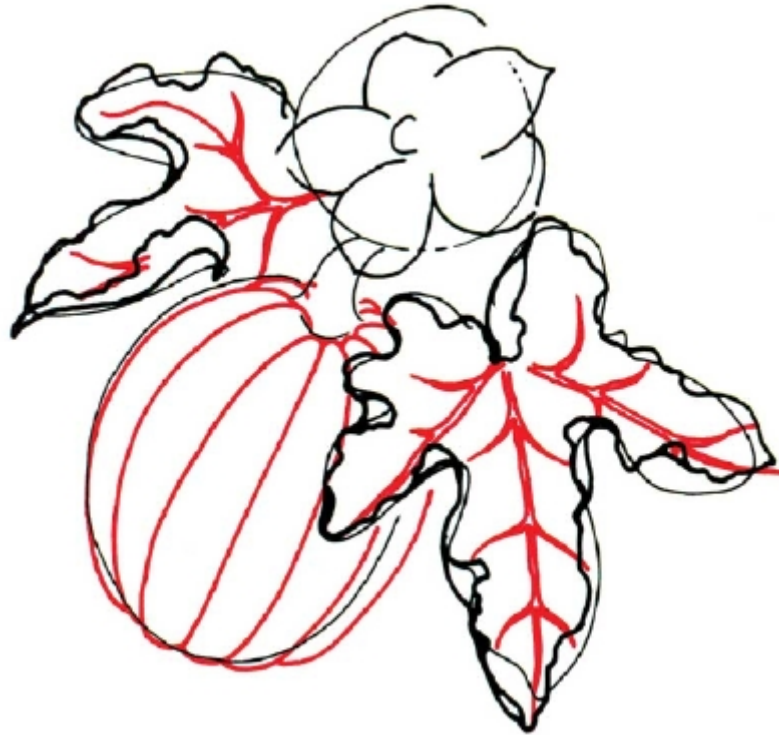


**Step 1:** Lightly sketch an oval shape for the pumpkin. For the stem, sketch in an arc and two curving lines. Above the stem, lightly sketch a circle to show the position of the flower. Sketch in two irregular leaf shapes.



**Step 2:** Lightly sketch a half-circle for the center of the flower and five petal shapes surrounding it. Draw the leaves with very wavy lines.

Show that some parts of the leaves fold over by drawing a smooth edge outside the wavy line.



**Step 3:** To draw the ridges in the pumpkin, start with a long, thin oval in the center. Draw long C-shaped curves to the left of the oval; to the right of the oval, draw backward C shapes.

Interrupt the lines where they meet the leaf. Around the stem, draw short curves to show other ridges. Draw veins in each of the leaves by drawing gently curving lines.

Use a double curving line for the larger veins.



**Step 4:** Define the flower petals with wavy lines. To show that the petals turn over, draw a second wavy line. Draw a small circle for the center.

Give the petals ridges by drawing three lines through their centers. Draw a series of arcs around the bottom of the stem.

Draw the ridged stem with several curving lines. Add a small background leaf below the flower with curving lines.



**Step 5:** Shade the pumpkin with long, curving lines near the ridges and at the bottom. Shade the stem with very short lines. Shade the petals with curving lines at the center and tips.

Shade the leaves with short curving lines around the veins and edges. Darken the leaves under the flower with crisscross lines.

Drawing a pumpkin was lots of fun huh? If you like the color orange, let's stick to that family of colors for a bit. Continue to the next section to learn how to draw a marigold.

## How to Draw a Marigold

A marigold is an annual flower that thrives during the summer months. These flowering plants can grow anywhere from 6 inches to 3 feet tall, and some are even grown as herbs or for their foliage.

Marigolds are popular in landscaping and gardens for their intense color. Marigold flower colors range from yellow and gold to orange, red, and even mahogany. Striped, bi-color, and creamy white colors are not uncommon.



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**Step 1:** Show the position of the flowers by lightly sketching three circles and an incomplete circle behind one of them. Lightly sketch several stems. Sketch one of the stems so that it bulges out as it meets the circle.

Draw long, pointed leaves on the stems so that pairs of leaves are evenly arranged along the stems. At the top of the drawing, sketch a long stem with an oval-shaped bud at its end.





**Step 2:** Inside the circles, draw petals using a series of curving, wiggly lines. Draw several lengthwise lines in the bud.



**Step 3:** Add short, curved lines to the petals to make them look tufted. Add a few more wiggly lines to the petals so some of them look as though they are bent back.



**Step 4:** Redraw the leaves to give each leaf a jagged edge. Draw a line lengthwise through the center of each leaf to show the vein. Redraw all the stems, making sure that each flower has a stem.



**Step 5:** Shade the edges of each leaf with short lines. Shade the tops of the stems with lines parallel to the sides of the stems. Shade the flowers very lightly with just a few groups of short lines.

What a stunning marigold! Ready to take on a plant that produces a fruit that's appealing to the eye and the taste buds?

Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a strawberry.

## How to Draw a Strawberry

A strawberry is the red fruit of certain plants in the *Rosaceae* (or rose) family. The flowers of a strawberry are typically white. For centuries, the strawberry was not only admired for its taste, but also for its healing abilities. People even bathed in them!

Today, the strawberry is still popular for its sweet taste and numerous health benefits. Did you know that a strawberry contains more vitamin C than an orange?



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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch three stems curving upward. At the top of each stem, sketch an oval to show the position of a flower. Sketch three longer stems that curve downward.

At the end of each one, sketch a rough heart shape for a strawberry. Make one strawberry large; the other two can be small. Around this grouping, sketch many leaf shapes.



**Step 2:** Draw each flower using a tiny circle surrounded by five oval shapes. Draw the leaves in jagged lines. For the topmost leaf, draw the left-hand edge in a smooth curve and the right-hand edge in a jagged line.

This shows that the leaf is facing to the right -- the smooth line is the bottom of the leaf. Draw small leaves at the stem ends of the strawberries with short, curving lines.



**Step 3:** Draw veins in each of the leaves by drawing gently curving lines. Use two lines for the larger veins. Redraw the flowers, giving the petals a ruffly edge with a wavy line.



**Step 4:** Draw tiny circles in the centers of the flowers. Draw many tiny ovals all over the strawberries to show the seeds. Draw more, smaller ovals on the bottoms of the strawberries.

Outline the strawberries by drawing lines connecting the seeds on the edges. Redraw the stems, if necessary.



**Step 5:** Shade the leaves with many lines on the topsides of the veins. Shade the flowers with a few short lines coming out from their centers.

Lightly shade the strawberries with short lines around the edges. Darken the center of the plant, under the stems, with crisscross lines.

Nice job -- your strawberry looks good enough to eat. Our next flower shares the same rich red color as a strawberry, and most of us associate it with the word "love."

Continue to the next section to learn how to draw a rose.

## How to Draw a Rose

A rose typically has five petals, barbs, and seeds. It is one of the most popular florists' flowers and it is also popular for use as a fragrance.

Most of us are familiar with red roses, but roses can be found in a variety of colors such as green, orange, pink, white or yellow. Some red roses are so dark -- they look black!



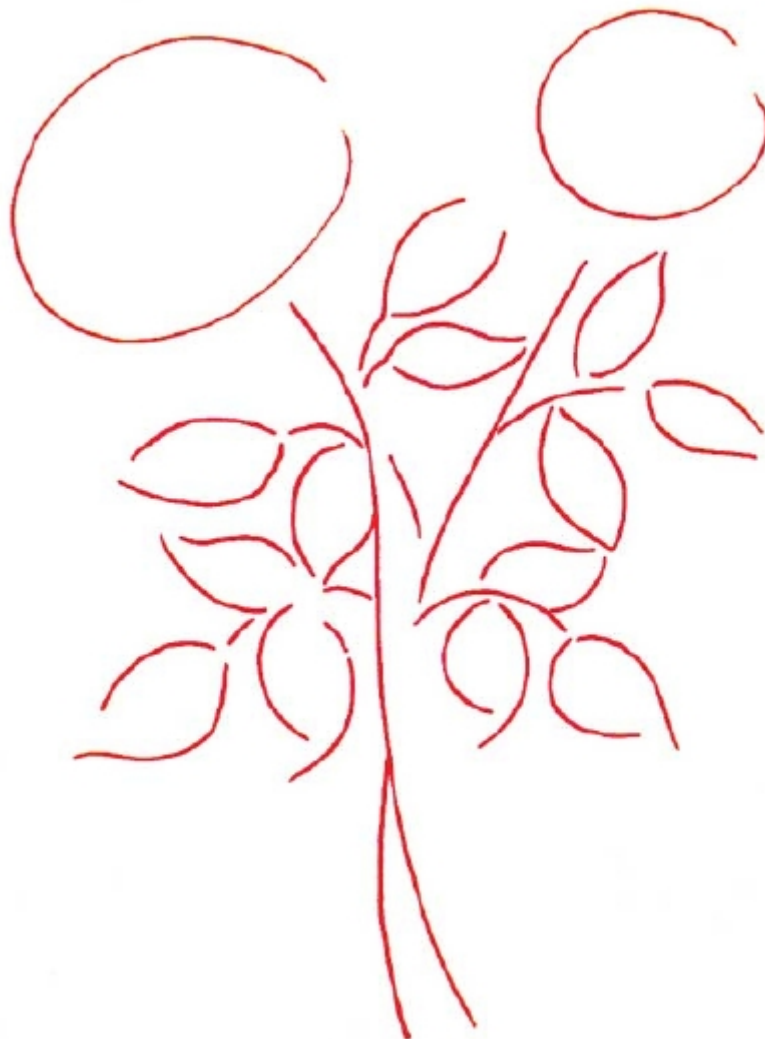
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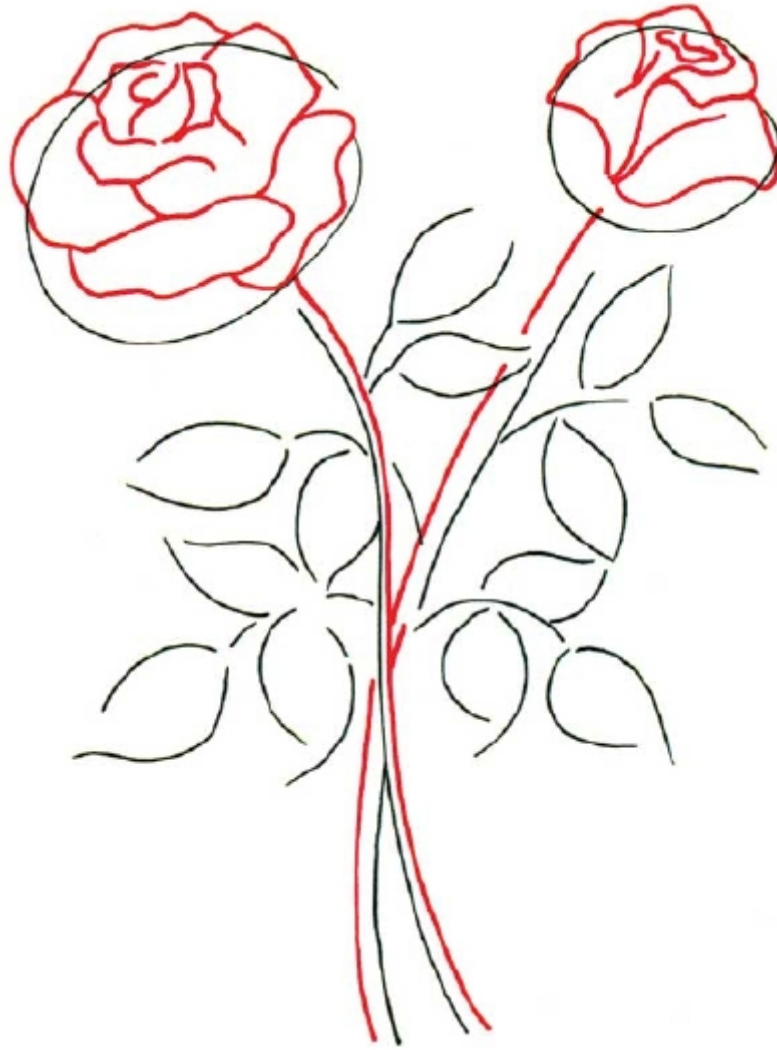


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**Step 1:** For the stems, draw two slightly wavy diagonal lines that cross each other. Lightly sketch a circle at the top of each stem to show where the flower will be.

Sketch in arcs for the stems of the leaves, then draw leaves using curved lines.



**Step 2:** Inside the circles, lightly sketch in petals. Use wavy lines to show the way the petals overlap and curve around each other.

Show that some of the petals fold over by drawing a second curve near the top of the petal. Finish each stem by drawing a second line.



**Step 3:** Make the leaves more realistic by outlining them with jagged lines. Draw a curved line through the center of each leaf to show the vein.

Add a second line to each leaf stem. All along each flower's stem, add small curving thorns.



**Step 4:** Finish the petals by adding more lines to connect the lines you already drew. Make the edges of the petals more irregular, changing the outline to include small points and curves.

Add more veins to each leaf by drawing gently curving lines from the center vein to the edge.



**Step 5:** Draw shading in the flowers' petals where the petals curve outward. To shade those areas, draw a series of parallel curving lines. Vary the lengths of the lines.

Shade the leaves by drawing short parallel lines next to each vein. Shade one side of each stem with very short lines.

You're done! Let's move on. Although our next prickly plant doesn't like to be touched, it's certainly an interesting plant to have around. Can you guess what it is?

Continue to the next section to learn how to draw a cactus.

## How to Draw a Cactus

A cactus thrives in extremely dry and hot conditions. These unusual plants require very little water to survive and they can live up to 300 years or more, typically in the desert.

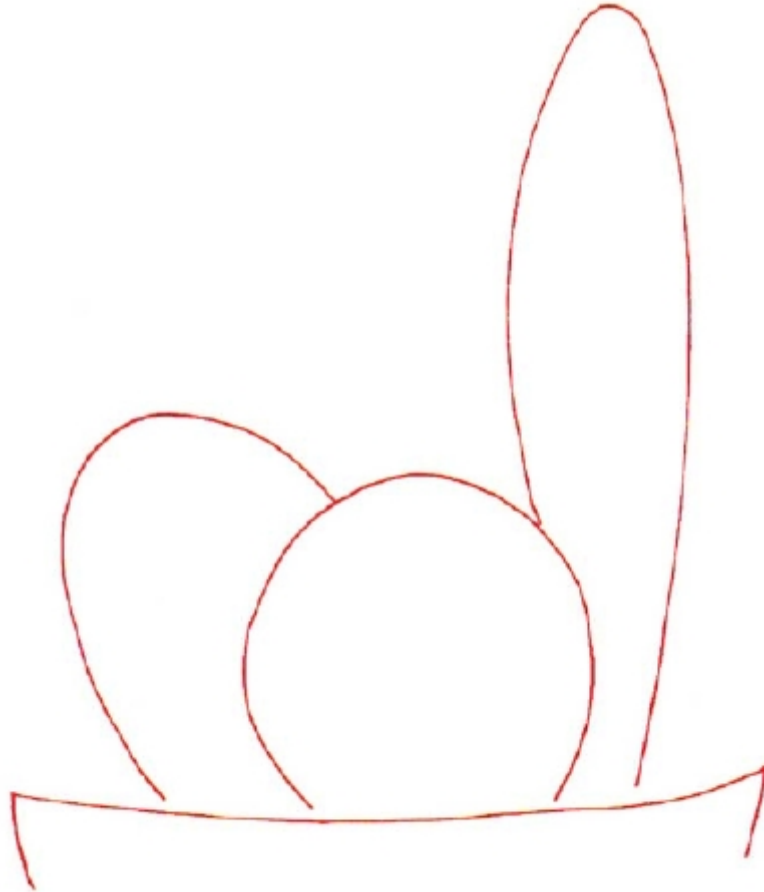
A cactus is both an ornamental plant, due to its spiky appearance, and a crop plant. Some believe a cactus great healing powers.



**Learn how to draw these cactus plants.**

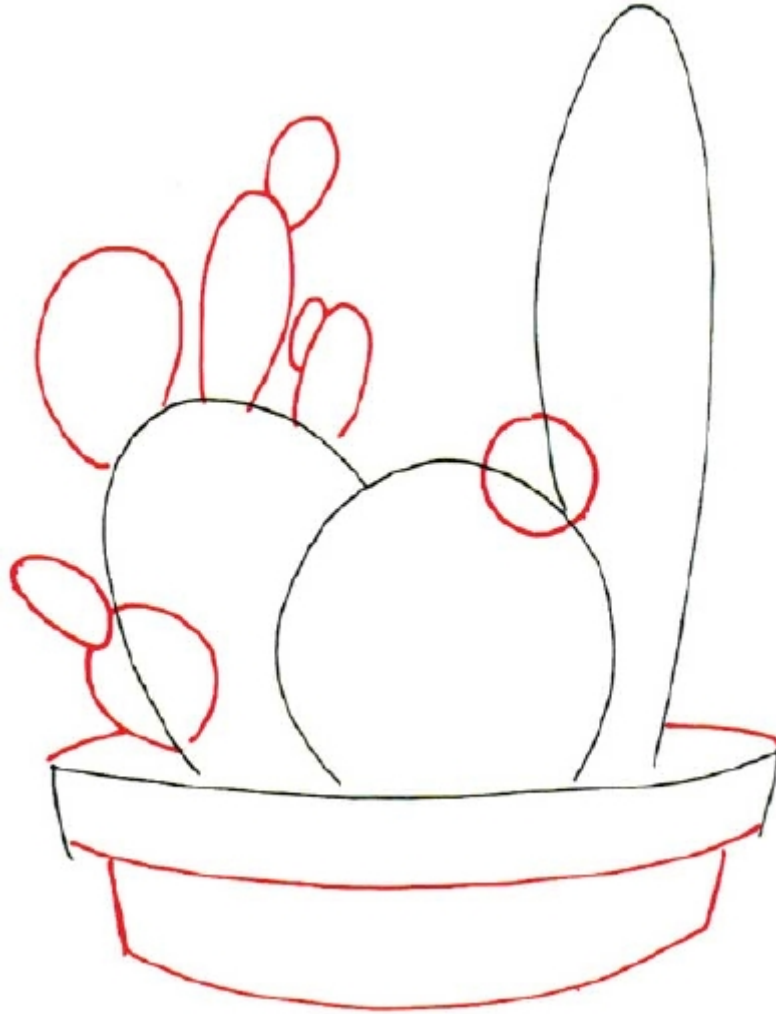
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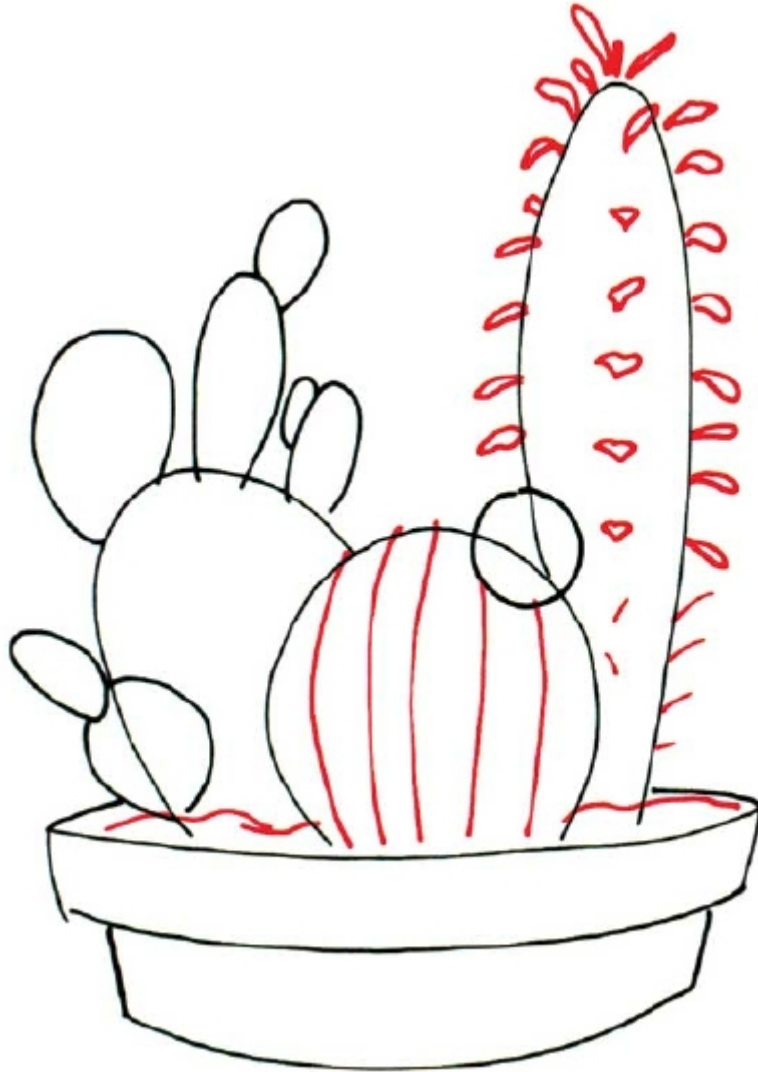
**Step 1:** Lightly sketch a curving line for the top of the pot, then sketch two short lines to begin the sides. Lightly sketch an unfinished circle shape for one cactus.

Behind it, sketch an unfinished oval shape for another cactus. Sketch a very long, thin oval for the third cactus.



**Step 2:** Finish the pot with curving lines. Draw many oval branches on the left-hand cactus. On the center cactus, sketch a circle to show where a flower will go.





**Step 3:** Draw leaves on the tall cactus using teardrop and heart shapes. Draw ridges in the center cactus using vertical lines. Put in the ground with a wavy line.



**Step 4:** For spines, draw groups of three short lines all over the left-hand cactus. On the center cactus, draw groups of longer lines along the ridges.

Draw ridges in the right cactus with irregular lines as shown.

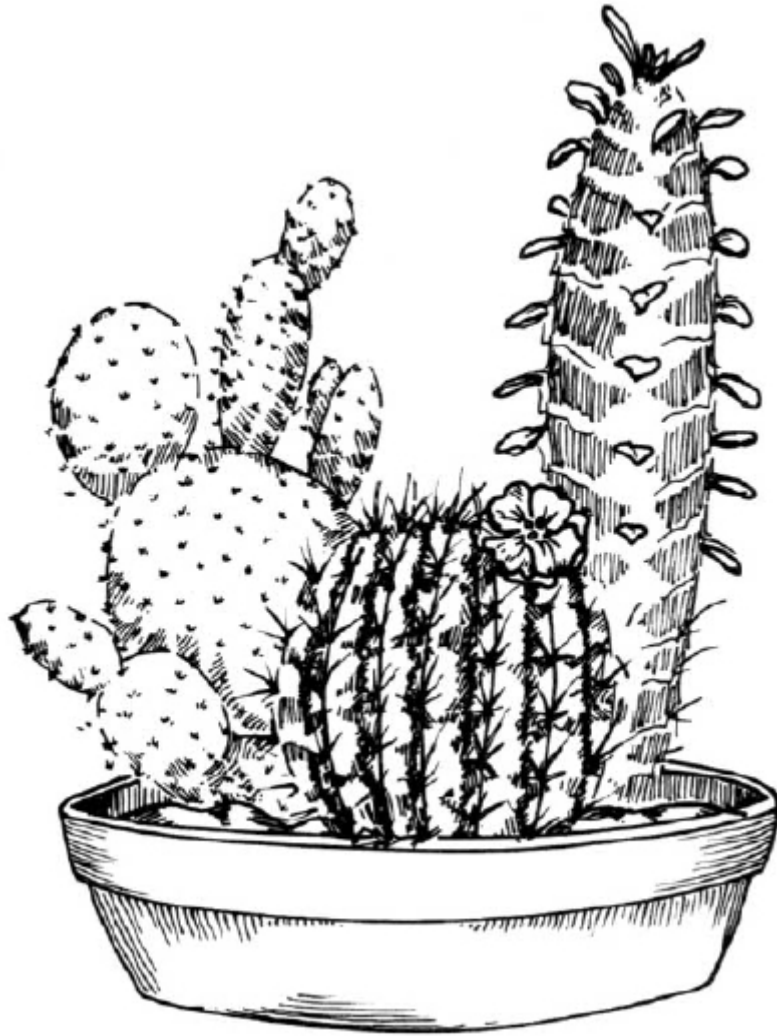


**Step 5:** Redraw the outlines of the three cacti, making sure the outlines don't go through the ridges. Redraw the pot, adding the edge of the rim.



**Step 6:** Using the small circle as a guide, draw four flower petals with wavy lines. Draw more petals behind them with additional wavy lines. Draw four tiny circles for the flowers center, then draw short lines on the petals.

Draw in the edges of the leaves on the tall cactus by adding a line to each leaf. Shade the ground with groups of short lines.



**Step 7:** Shade the center cactus with short lines between the rows of spines, being careful not to shade over the spines. Then shade around the spines with more short lines to give a rounded look.

Use short lines to shade the bottoms and sides of the left-hand cactus and its leaves. Use short lines to shade the tall cactus between the ridges. Shade the sides and bottom of the pot.

Guess what? Your flower and plant drawings are complete. Excellent effort! If you're still feeling creative, we have a few special arrangements for you.

Our two final drawings include plant arrangements and flower arrangements. Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a plant arrangement.

## How to Draw a Plant Arrangement

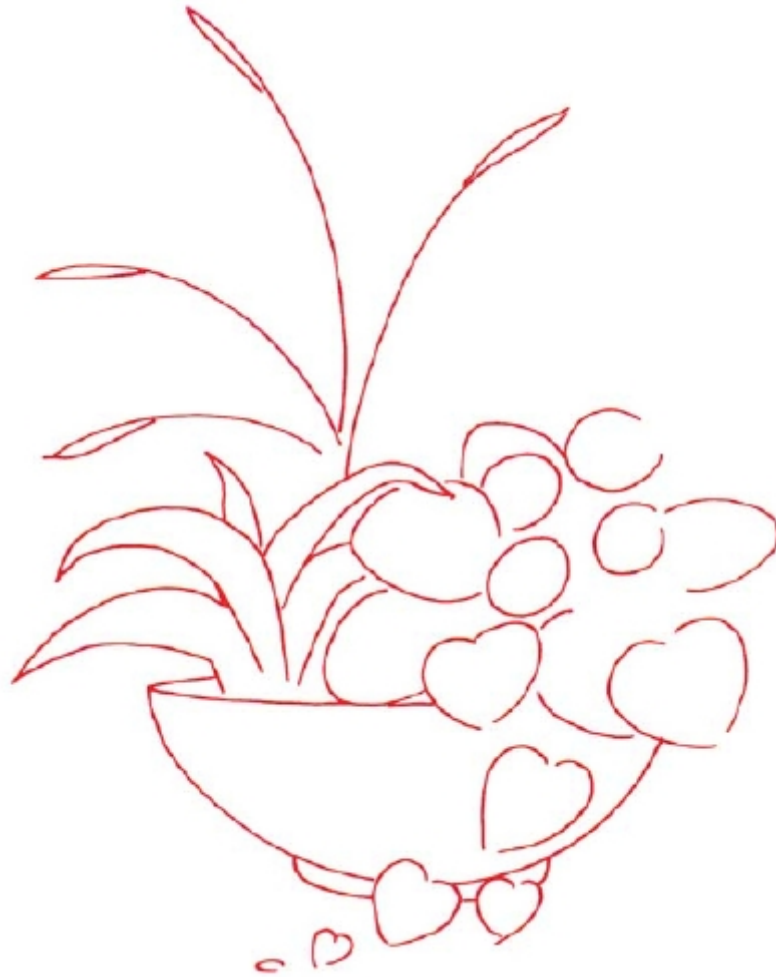
A plant arrangement is a great addition to gardens, patios, offices and homes. A plant arrangement may be purchased “display-ready” or you can create your own from a variety of attractive plants.



**Learn how to draw this plant arrangement.**

In this section, we'll show you how to draw the above plant arrangement. You can draw this flower freehand while looking at your computer monitor or print out this page to get a closer look at each step.

Follow the red lines in each illustration to learn exactly what to draw in that step. The lines drawn in previous steps are shown in gray. Here, we'll show you an illustration of each step and then give you a description of how to draw it.



**Step 1:** Lightly sketch a bowl with a short base at the bottom. At the left, sketch five curving leaves with slightly angular lines. This will be a sansevieria.

In the center, sketch four curving stems for palms. Sketch a long, narrow oval leaf at the end of each. To the right, sketch four circles to show where violet flowers will go.

Around the circles, sketch four broad leaf shapes. For ivy leaves, draw a series of heart shapes that come down the side of the bowl.



**Step 2:** Draw long, pointed leaves along two of the palm stems. Draw the ivy leaves in a rough star shape with rounded points.





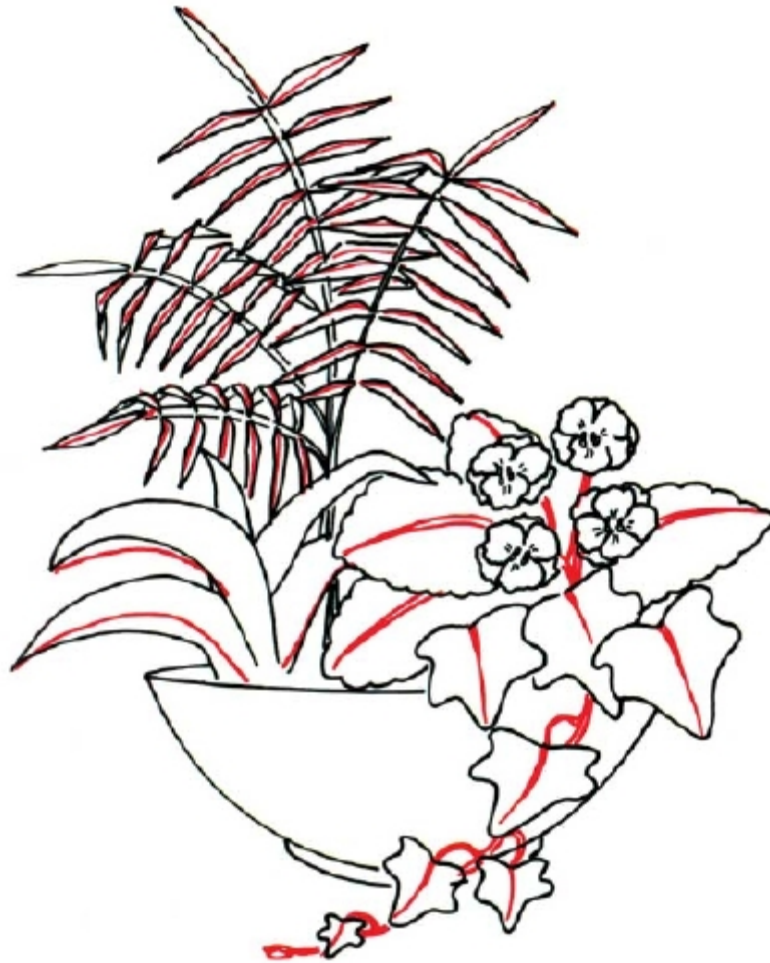
**Step 3:** Draw leaves along the remaining two palm stems. Show that some leaves are behind others. Do this by interrupting the lines for some leaves where they meet the lines for the front leaves.

In each of the circles for the violet flowers, draw the petals. Use very wavy lines to draw three or four petals and some petals behind them.



**Step 4:** Draw the second side of the palm stems. Continue a single palm stem behind the sansevieria into the bowl. Show that some of the leaves are bent by adding small triangular shapes to the ends of the leaves.

Draw the violet leaves with scalloped edges. Add tiny figure eights to the center of each violet. Draw two tiny lines on each petal.



**Step 5:** For three of the sansevieria leaves, draw an edge by drawing a third line that follows the curve of the other two. Draw a center vein in most of the palm leaves with one line down the center.

Draw a vein in each of the violet leaves with two lines down the center.

For the veins in the ivy leaves, draw two lines coming together at the center, then continue the vein with one line. Add the stems for the violets. Draw the ivy stems with curving lines.



**Step 6:** Draw bands in the sansevieria with wiggly crosswise lines. Underneath the sansevieria, draw in the ground with a scalloped line. Put side veins in the violet leaves with lines that curve toward the tip of the leaf.

Put side veins in the ivy leaves with lines that curve back. Each vein should be drawn from the center vein to one of the points of the leaf.



**Step 7:** Shade the undersides of the palm leaves with short diagonal lines. Darken the bands of the sansevieria. Shade the violet leaves with short lines next to the side veins. Shade the flowers with tiny lines around the tips of the petals.

Shade each ivy leaf with lines at the center and the edges of the leaf. Darken the ground under the leaves. Shade the sides of the bowl and the base.

Now that your plant arrangement is ready for display, it's time to move on to our next, and final, drawing -- a flower arrangement.

Continue to the next page to learn how to draw a flower arrangement.

## How to Draw a Flower Arrangement

A flower arrangement is a decorative arrangement of flowers. It can include any combination of colorful flowers and accessories. All types of flowers can be used for a flower arrangement including fresh, dried, silk, and even ceramic.

Flower arrangements are common in homes, offices, gardens, patios, decks, restaurants, spas and more!



**Learn how to draw this flower arrangement.**

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**Step 1:** Lightly sketch a bowl with sides that have a gentle S curve. Give the bowl a rounded base. Near the bowl, sketch four circles and ovals for daisies. Show the centers with smaller circles. Sketch curved lines for the stems.

Above the daisies, sketch curving stems with small bell shapes for lilies of the valley. In the center, sketch a curving stem with a large semicircle for a rose. Above and to the left of the rose, sketch an oval and three shapes below it for an iris.

To the right of the rose, sketch three inverted bell shapes. The center one will be a rosebud. The other two will be tulips. Sketch in many leaves as shown. Sketch in another iris shape behind one of the leaves.



**Step 2:** Add a curved line to each side of the oval for the iris. Draw in the tulip petals using curved lines. Sketch several half-circles and curved lines to show rose petals.

For the rosebud, use curved lines to show tightly closed petals. Draw the daisy petals as long, oval shapes. Show that some petals overlap others by drawing some as arcs. Draw in some additional leaves.





**Step 3:** Draw in the flower stems. Draw in three tiny, pointed leaves at the bottom of the rosebud. For the lilies of the valley, give each bell shape a scalloped bottom.

Give a suggestion of more petals on the right-hand daisy with a scalloped edge. Draw another leaf behind one of the daisies and another daisy leaf near the bottom of the arrangement.



**Step 4:** Redraw the iris petals using wavy lines. Redraw the rose petals with many irregular lines. For the rosebud, show that the petals turn back by drawing a rough triangular shape at the tip.

Redraw the tulip petals so that the tips are slightly ruffled. Draw three of the leaf shapes with notched edges. Draw in the tops of the bell-shaped lilies of the valley.

Draw the centers of the daisies as irregular circles. Notch the ends of the daisy petals. Redraw the bowl, showing the back edge of it.



**Step 5:** Add a few more wavy lines to the iris. Put tiny dots and short lines in the center. Draw a V-shaped line in one of the leaves and draw a few short lines coming down from it.

Put thorns on the sides of the rose stems. Add ridges to each daisy petal with two lines down the center. Define the daisy centers with many small dots on one side.



**Step 6:** Draw leaf veins on the smaller leaves. For the long, pointed leaves, give them texture with many long lines. Follow the curve of the leaves.



**Step 7:** Shade the iris and tulip petals with short lines at their tips and near the stems. Shade the daisy petals with lines at their tips and near the centers. Shade the rose petals with short lines that follow the curve of the petals.

Make the lilies of the valley look rounded with a few very short lines on each blossom. Darken the center of the arrangement with crisscross lines. Shade the sides and base of the bowl.

Congratulations. You have just learned how to draw more than 20 flowers and plants. Well done! Keep practicing and before you know it, you'll be able to draw these and other flowers and plants from memory.