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STEP 1

Reserve space for the head

Whole drawing Closer view

Lightly draw a broad oval above the future paws. It is a guide for placing the head.

STEP 2

Draw the crown

Whole drawing Closer view

Draw one shallow arch across the top of the head.

STEP 3

Curve the left head side

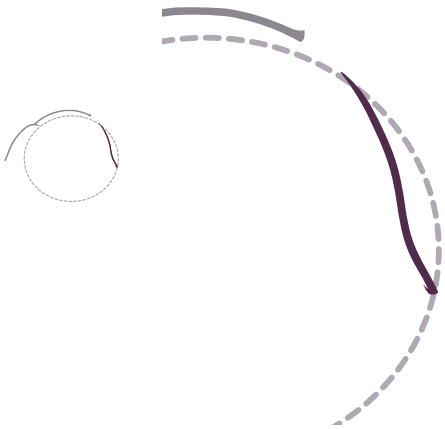
Whole drawing Closer view

Continue down the left side. Stop at the opening for the nearer ear.

STEP 4

Curve the right head side

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the sloping right side. Leave the lower face open for the muzzle.

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STEP 5

Round the nearer ear

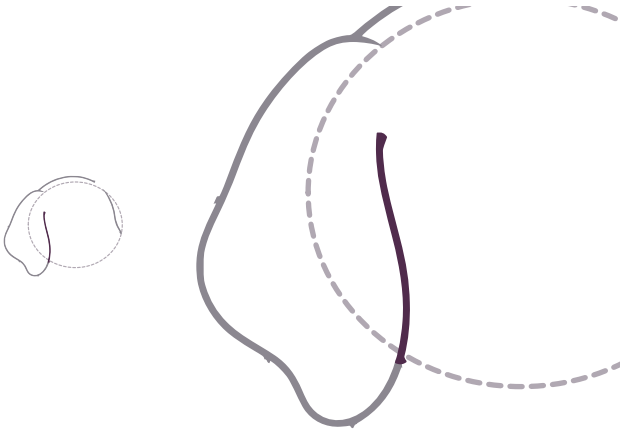
Whole drawing Closer view

From the left head side, curve down around the low ear tip and back up.

STEP 6

Add its inner edge

Whole drawing Closer view

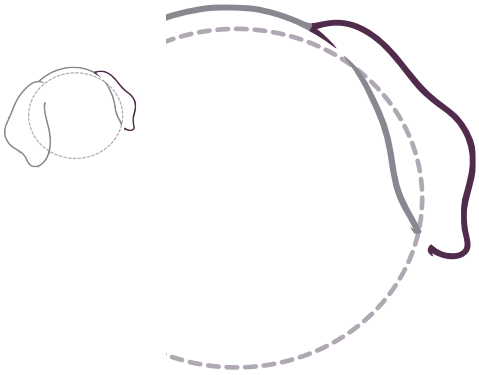


Draw the long inner ear edge downward until it meets the rounded ear tip.

STEP 7

Add the farther ear

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the smaller hanging ear behind the right head edge. Its tip sits higher.

STEP 8

Finish the short cheek

Whole drawing Closer view

Add the small cheek curve below the nearer ear. Erase the head oval.

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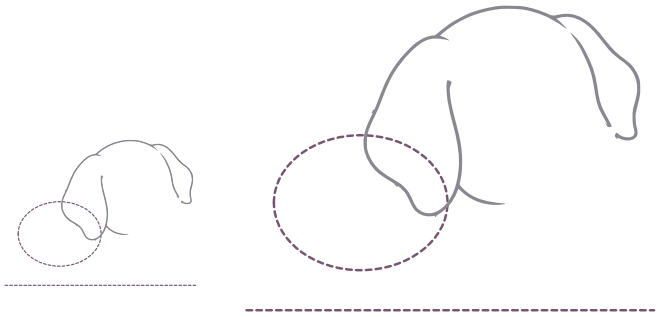
STEP 9

Place the resting body

Whole drawing Closer view

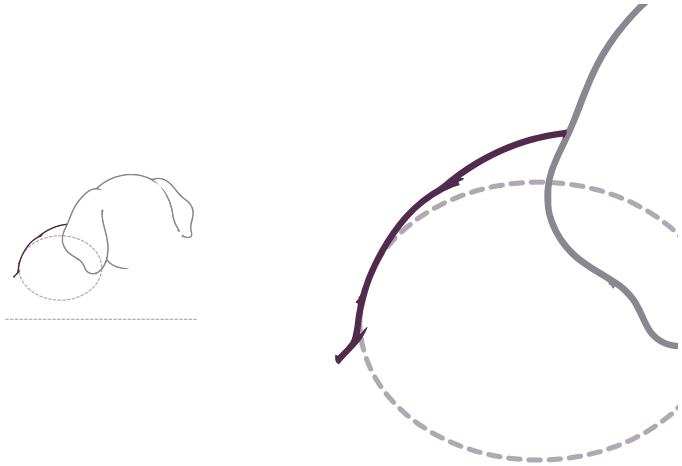


Lightly mark a low body oval to the left and a ground line under the future paws.

STEP 10

Draw the low back

Whole drawing Closer view

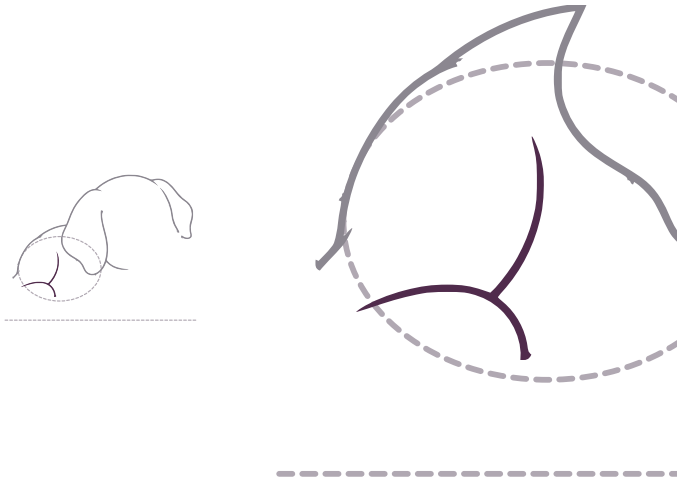


Curve left from behind the ear and down the back. Keep this lower than the head.

STEP 11

Fold the hind leg

Whole drawing Closer view

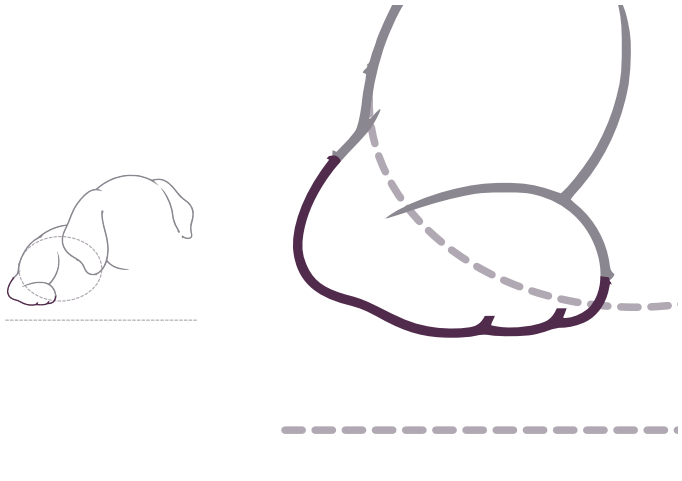


Draw the rounded hind-leg crease, then its short curve toward the hind paw.

STEP 12

Round the hind paw

Whole drawing Closer view



Continue the outside of the body around the low hind paw. Keep its bottom on the ground line.

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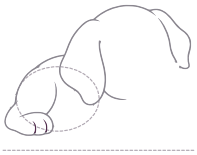
STEP 13

Mark the hind toes

Whole drawing



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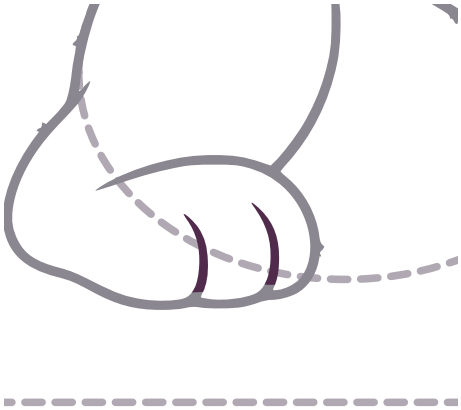


Add the two little toe curves to finish this paw.

STEP 14

Add the little tail

Whole drawing

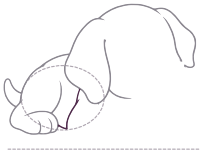
Closer view

Curve up from the back to the tail tip, then return along its lower edge.

STEP 15

Draw the nearer foreleg

Whole drawing



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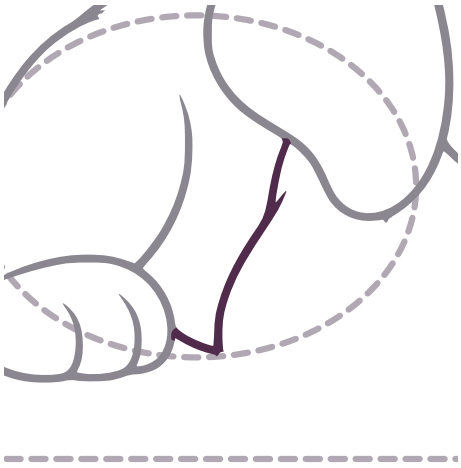
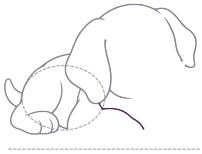


Draw down from below the ear and curve around the left edge of the front paw.

STEP 16

Round the top of its paw

Whole drawing



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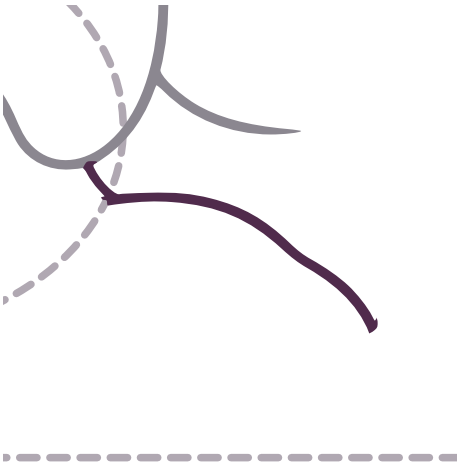

Draw the broad top curve toward the space between the two front paws.

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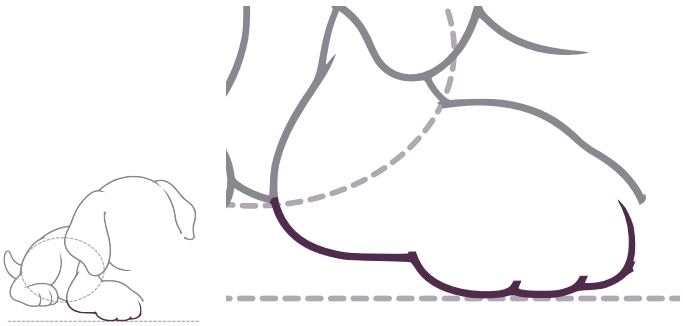
STEP 17

Close the paw underneath

Whole drawing Closer view

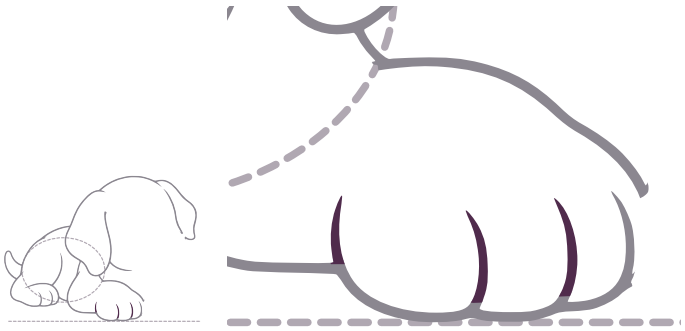


Round the bottom of this paw back to the left foreleg edge.

STEP 18

Add its toe curves

Whole drawing Closer view

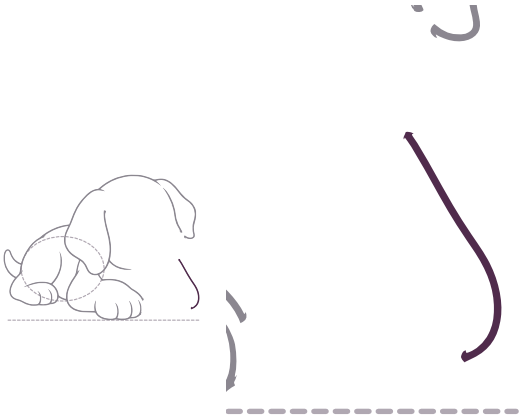


Draw the short curved toe divisions inside the nearer paw.

STEP 19

Draw the farther foreleg

Whole drawing Closer view

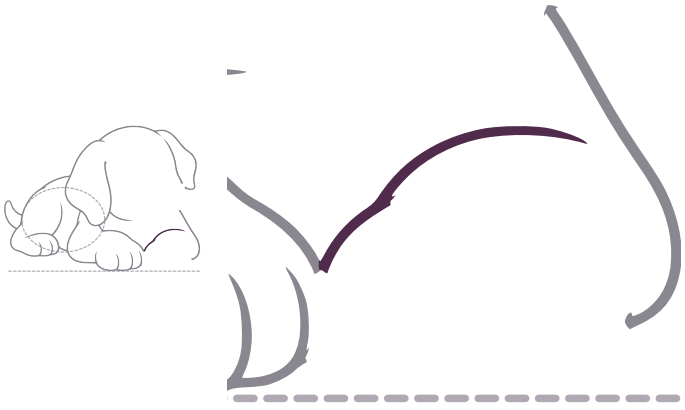


Draw the outside edge down from below the muzzle space, curving inward at the bottom.

STEP 20

Round the second paw top

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the upper curve of the other paw toward the first paw.

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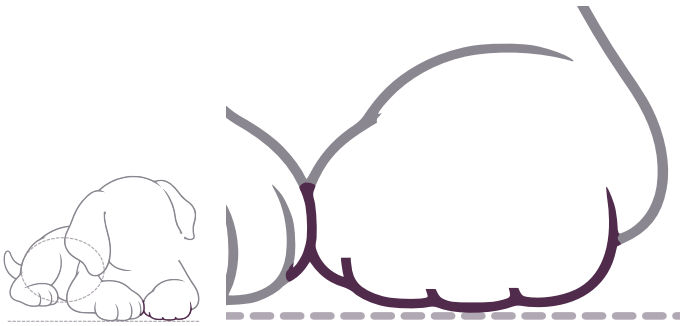
STEP 21

Close the second paw

Whole drawing Closer view

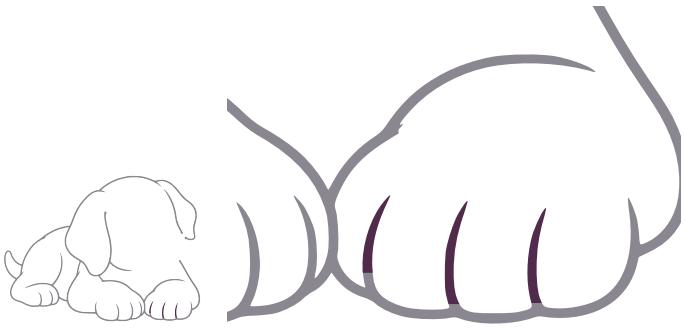


Join the rounded bottom of this paw to its outside edge.

STEP 22

Add its toe curves

Whole drawing Closer view

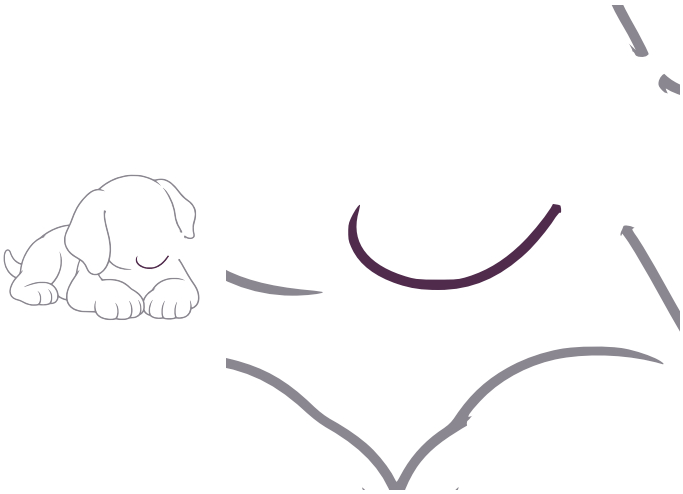


Add the toe divisions inside the farther paw. Erase the body oval and ground line.

STEP 23

Draw the left muzzle lobe

Whole drawing Closer view

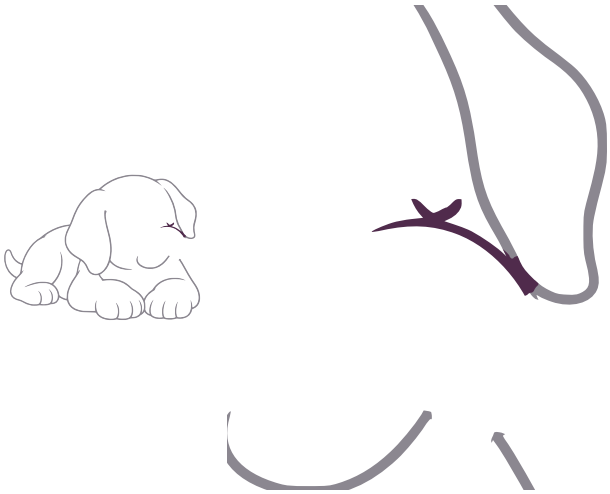


Draw the broad smile-like curve above the paws, returning toward the nose space.

STEP 24

Start the top muzzle curve

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the short upper cheek curve beneath the far eye space.

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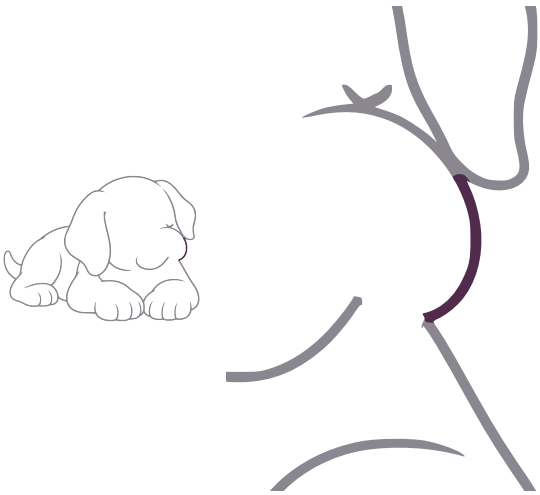
STEP 25

Round the right muzzle lobe

Whole drawing Closer view

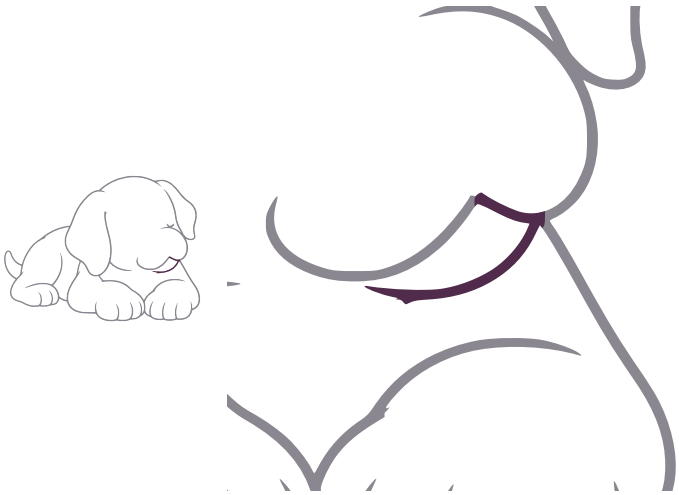


Curve around the right side of the muzzle and back underneath.

STEP 26

Add the lower mouth curve

Whole drawing Closer view

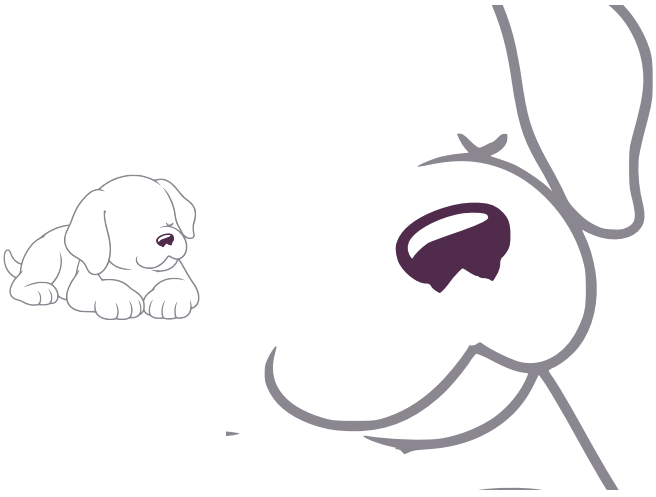


Draw the shallow lower mouth curve between the two muzzle lobes.

STEP 27

Draw the nose

Whole drawing Closer view

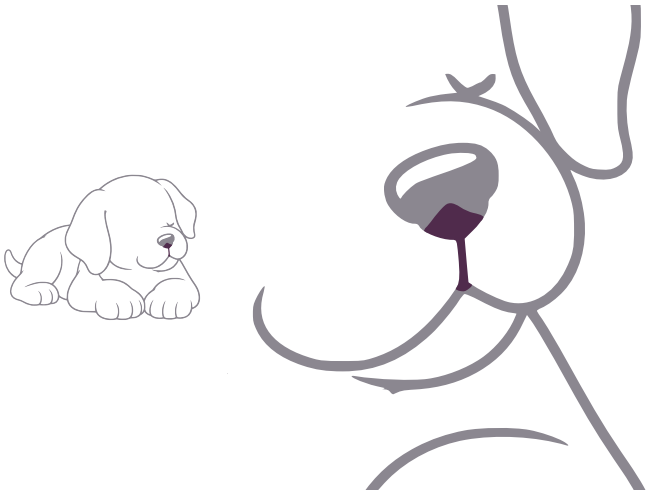


Draw and darken the rounded triangular nose. Preserve the little white highlight.

STEP 28

Connect the nose and mouth

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the short line down from the nose to the meeting point of the muzzle curves.

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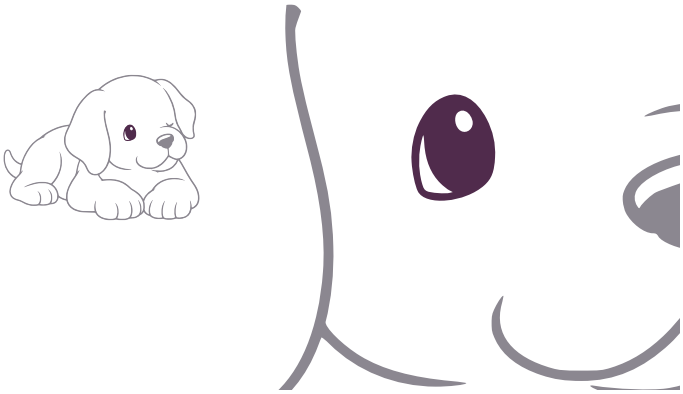
STEP 29

Add the nearer eye

Whole drawing Closer view

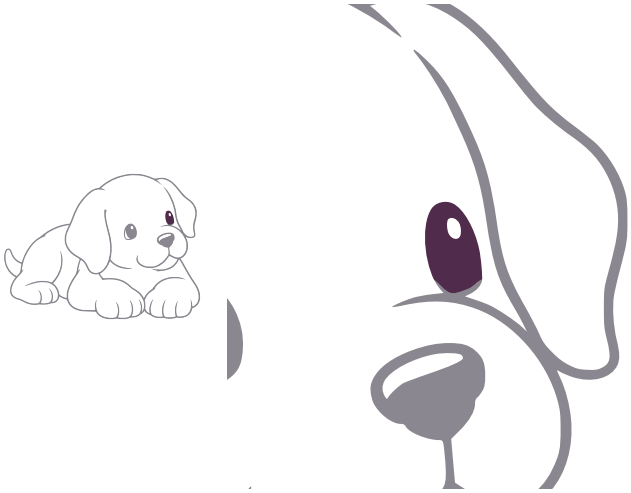


Place the larger oval eye. Darken it while leaving the small highlight white.

STEP 30

Add the farther eye

Whole drawing Closer view



Place the narrower eye on the other side, keeping its highlight white too.

STEP 31

Add the eyebrows

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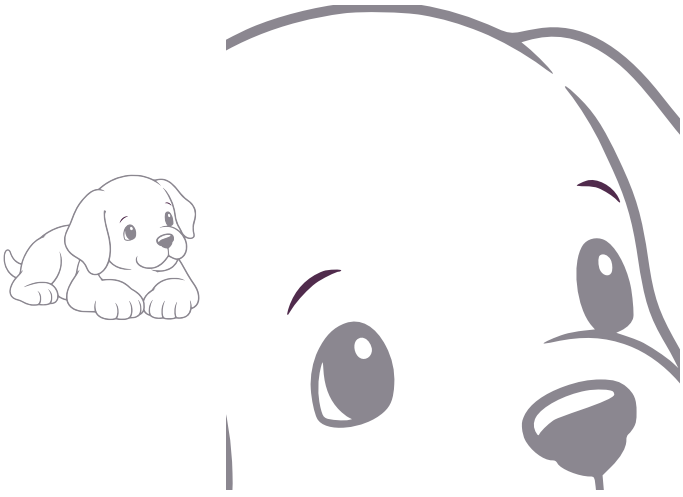

Draw one short curved eyebrow above each eye.

STEP 32

Add the ear crease

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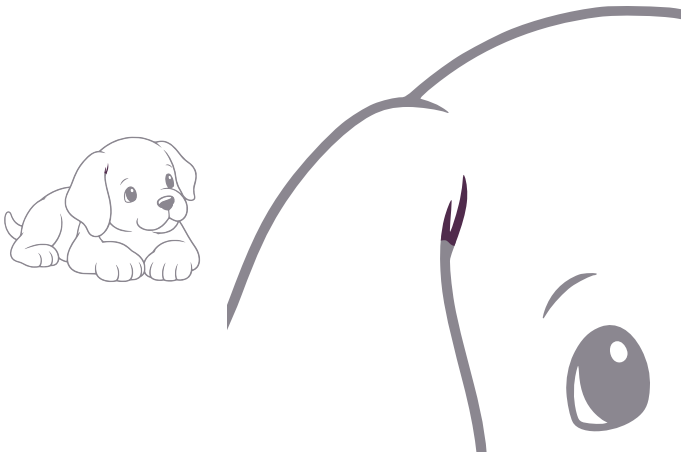

Add the two short fur marks near the top of the nearer ear.

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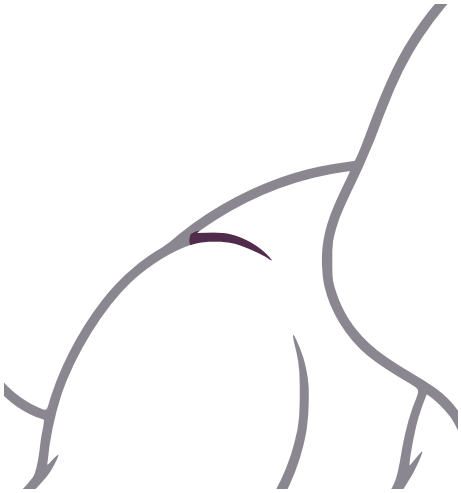
STEP 33

Add the back crease

Whole drawing

Closer view



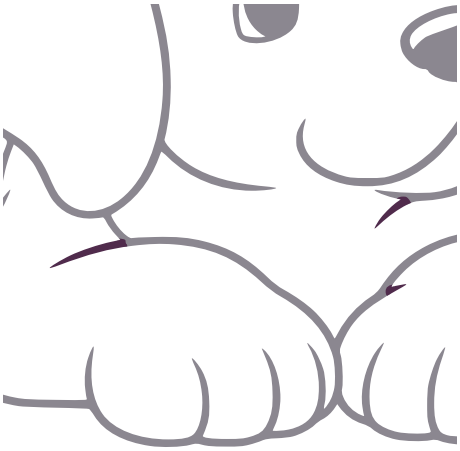
Add the small crease below the upper back curve.

STEP 34

Finish the leg creases

Whole drawing

Closer view



Add the short creases above the front paws. Keep them separate from the outside edges.

Try this fix: The head sits above the paws. Keep both front paws broad and on the same baseline; the back is lower than the head.

Make it yours: Make the eyes gently closed or use one darker ear when you color the finished outline.

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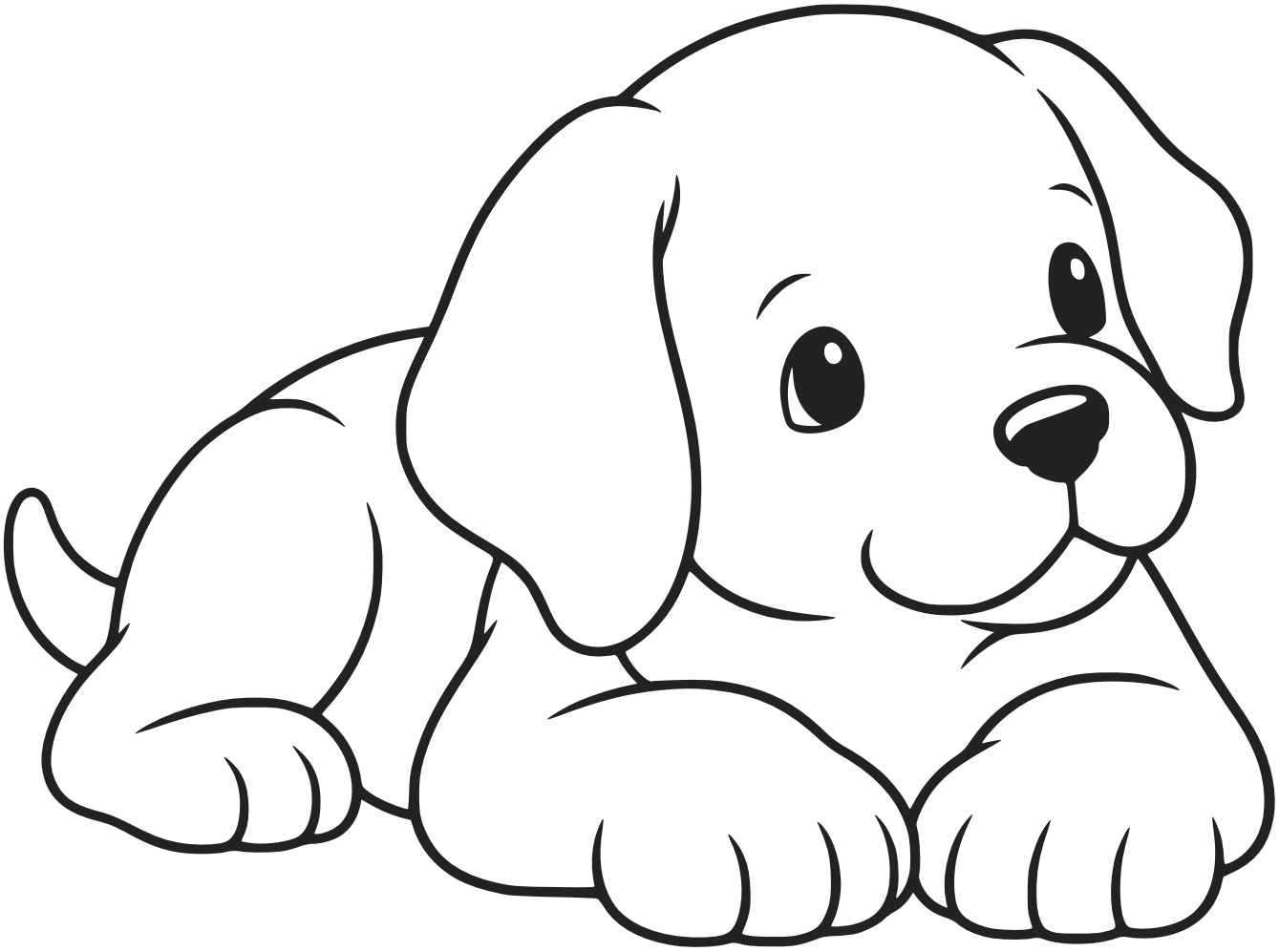

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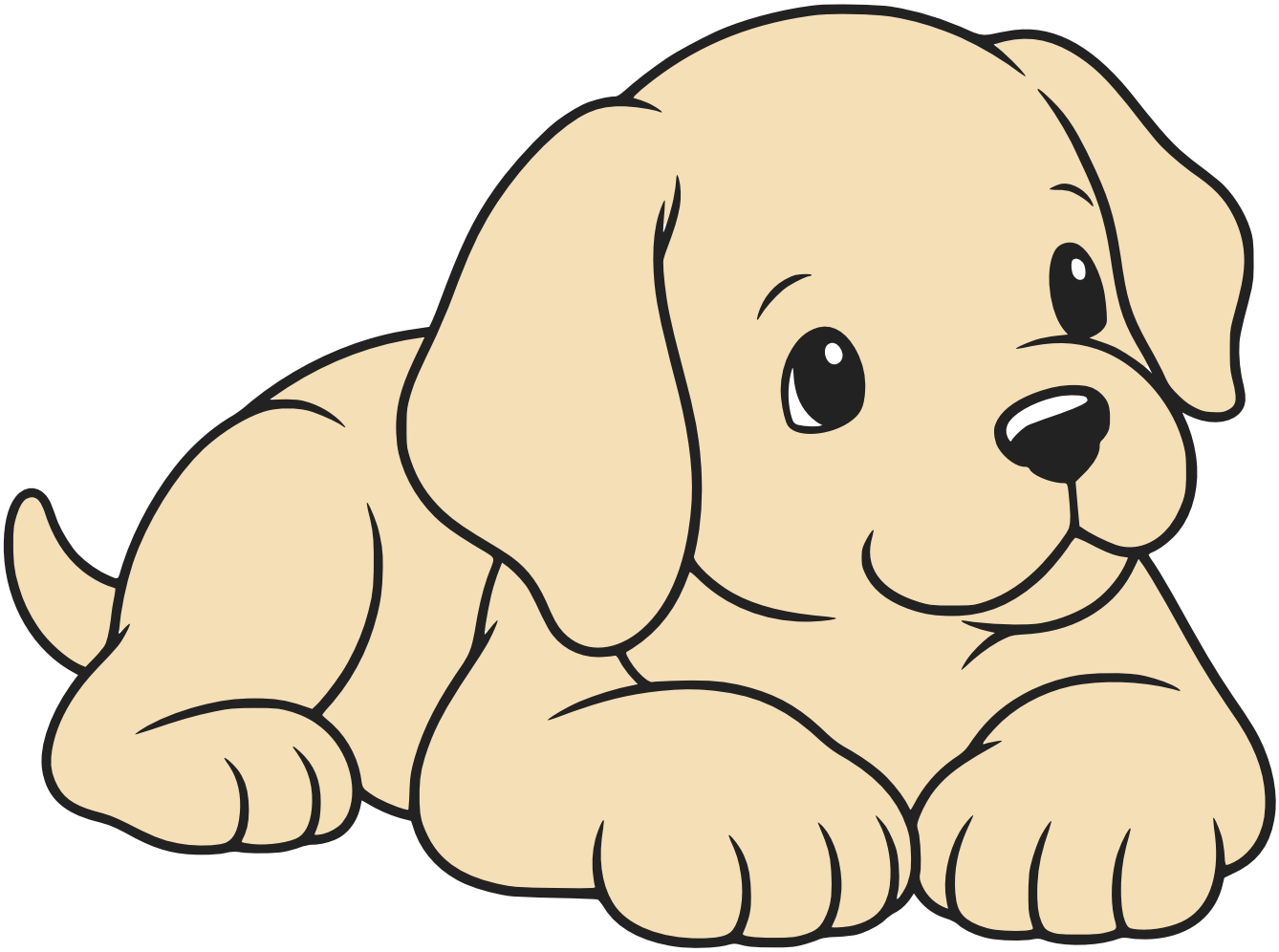
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