A koala with a tilted head

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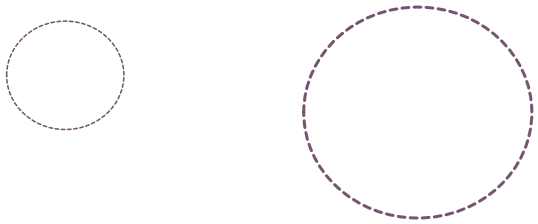
STEP 1

Place the tilted head

Whole drawing Closer view

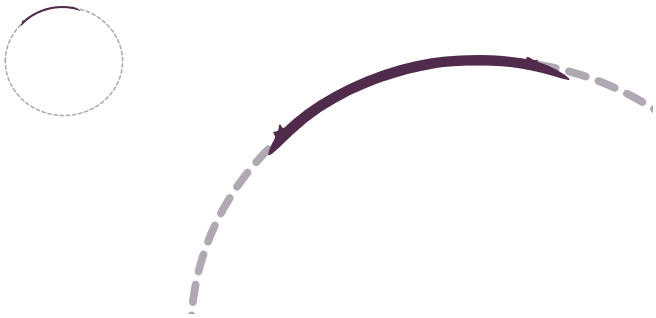


Draw a light oval, tilted up toward the right. Leave room outside it for the broad ears.

STEP 2

Draw the top of the head

Whole drawing Closer view



Follow the upper part of the oval with a smooth crown curve. Leave the ear spaces open.

STEP 3

Round the left cheek

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the short left face edge and continue around the lower cheek. Leave the opening for the body.

STEP 4

Round the right cheek

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the right face edge from beside the future ear down to the body opening.

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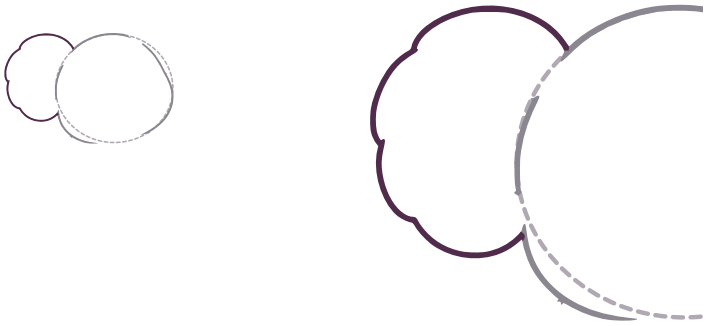
STEP 5

Add the left outer ear

Whole drawing Closer view

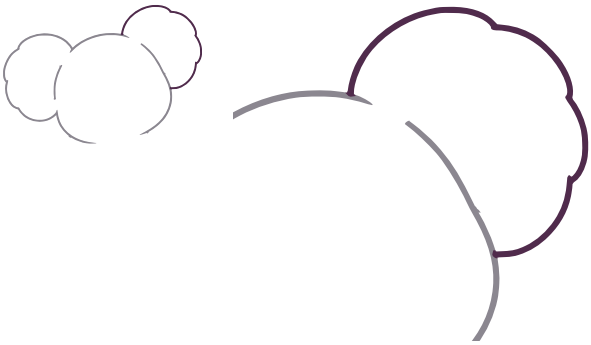


Draw the large rounded ear outside the left side of the head. Its ends meet the face.

STEP 6

Add the right outer ear

Whole drawing Closer view

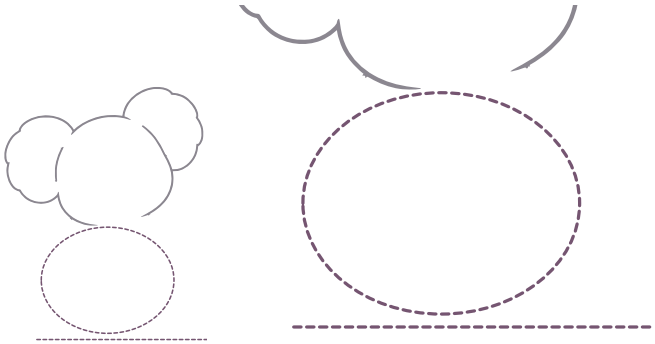


Add the taller rounded ear on the right. Erase the light head oval after both ears join the face.

STEP 7

Place the seated body

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw a light body oval below the head and a short ground guide for the feet.

STEP 8

Start the left body edge

Whole drawing Closer view



Curve down from beneath the left cheek toward the left haunch.

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STEP 9

Round the left haunch

Whole drawing Closer view

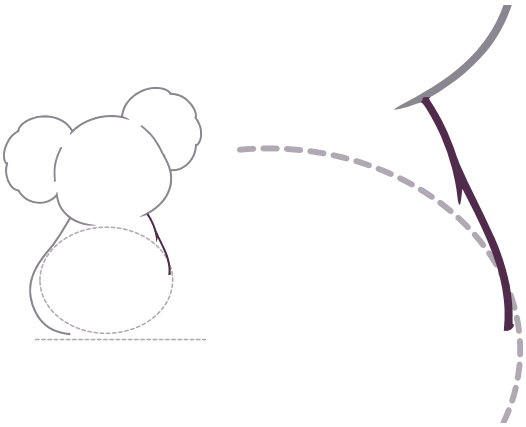


Continue the outside curve around the seated haunch toward the foot space.

STEP 10

Draw the right body edge

Whole drawing Closer view

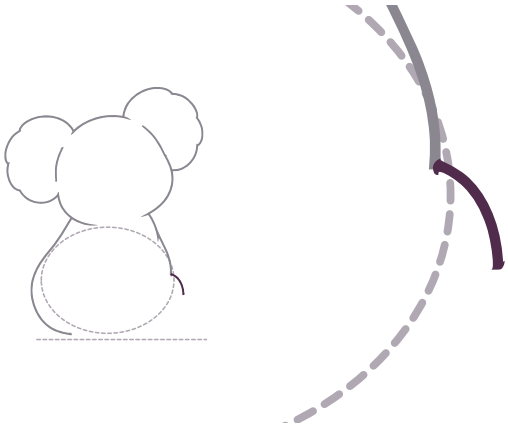


Curve down from the right cheek toward the right haunch. Keep the body narrower than the head.

STEP 11

Round the right haunch

Whole drawing Closer view

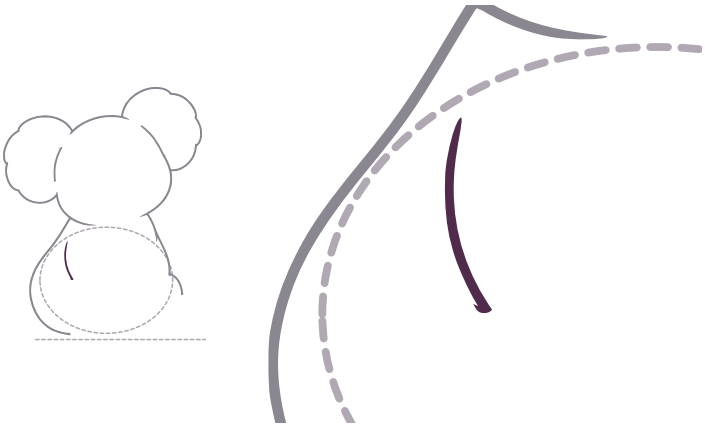


Continue that edge outward to the top of the right hind foot.

STEP 12

Start the left forearm

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the short curve down the left side of the nearer forearm.

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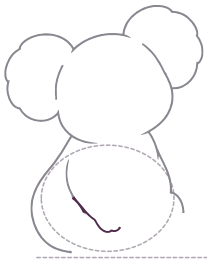
STEP 13

Round the left front paw

Whole drawing



Closer view

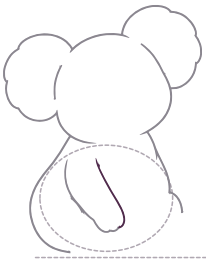


Continue toward the front paw, round its lower edge, and leave room beside it for the other paw.

STEP 14

Join the inner forearm edge

Whole drawing



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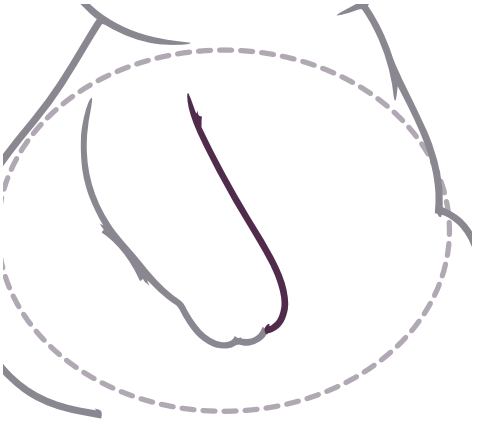


Draw the diagonal inner edge down toward that paw. Keep a little space between the two arms.

STEP 15

Start the other forearm

Whole drawing



Closer view

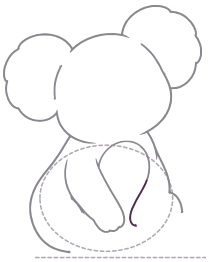


Draw the broad upper curve of the right forearm, beginning below the chin.

STEP 16

Continue the other forearm

Whole drawing



Closer view



Continue down the inside edge toward its front paw.

Continue with the next steps on the following page.

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STEP 17

Round the right front paw

Whole drawing Closer view

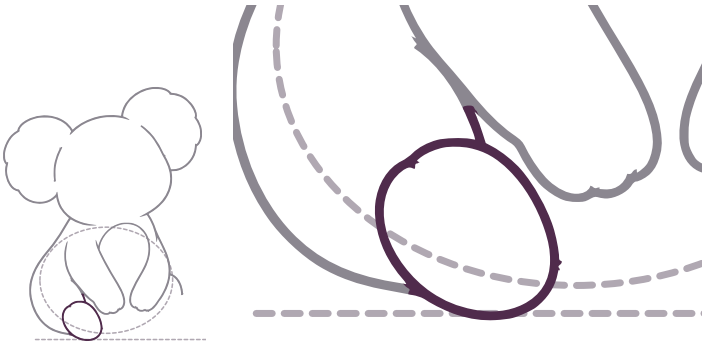


Finish the small rounded paw edge and join it to the outer body curve.

STEP 18

Draw the left hind foot

Whole drawing Closer view

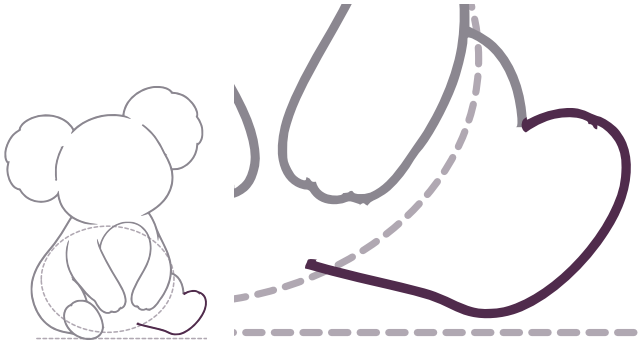


Draw the tilted oval foot beside the left haunch. Keep it attached to the body.

STEP 19

Draw the right hind foot

Whole drawing Closer view

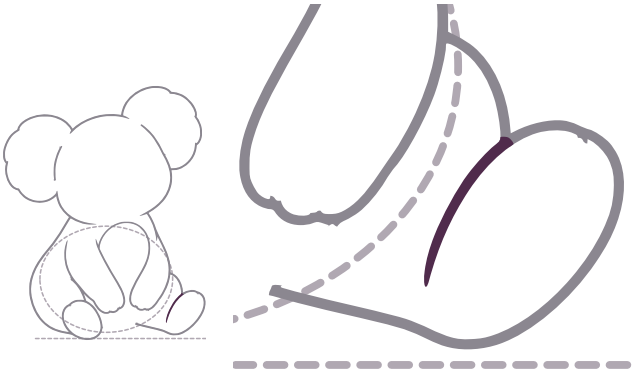


Draw the rounded outside of the larger right foot, curving down and back to the body.

STEP 20

Close the right foot join

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the short inside edge where the right foot meets the haunch.

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STEP 21

Join the lower belly

Whole drawing Closer view

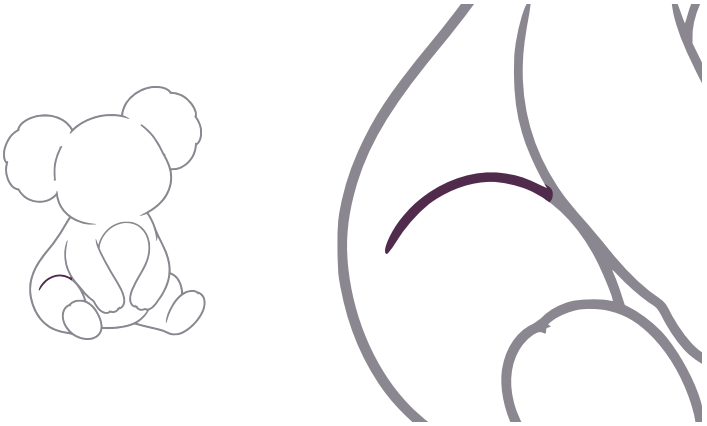


Connect the feet with the belly curve, turning up toward the right front paw. Erase the body oval and ground guide.

STEP 22

Add the left thigh curve

Whole drawing Closer view

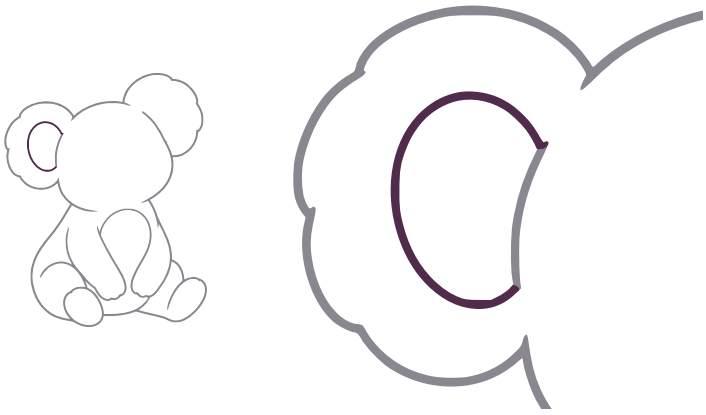


Draw the short curved crease above the left hind foot.

STEP 23

Add the left inner ear

Whole drawing Closer view

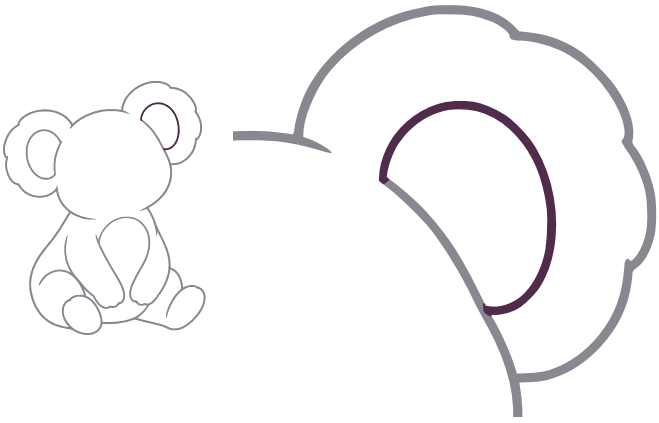


Draw the smaller rounded curve inside the left ear. Stop where it meets the face.

STEP 24

Add the right inner ear

Whole drawing Closer view



Repeat the rounded inner-ear curve on the right, following its tilt.

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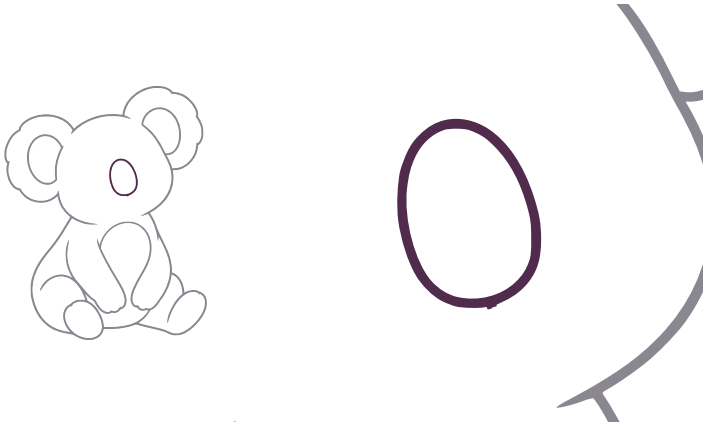
STEP 25

Place the oval nose

Whole drawing Closer view

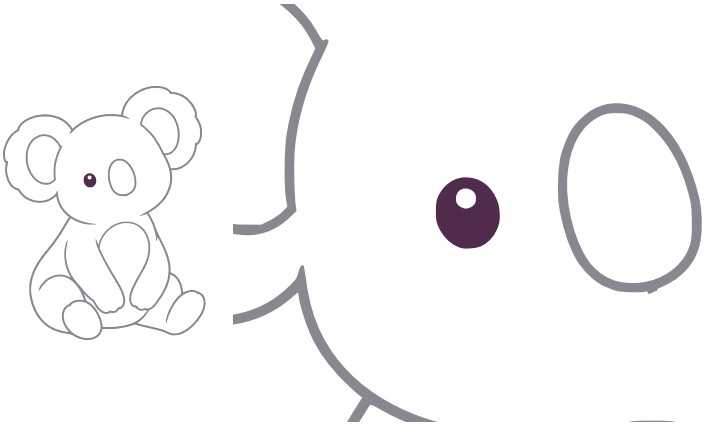


Draw the tall oval nose in the lower middle of the face.

STEP 26

Place the left eye

Whole drawing Closer view

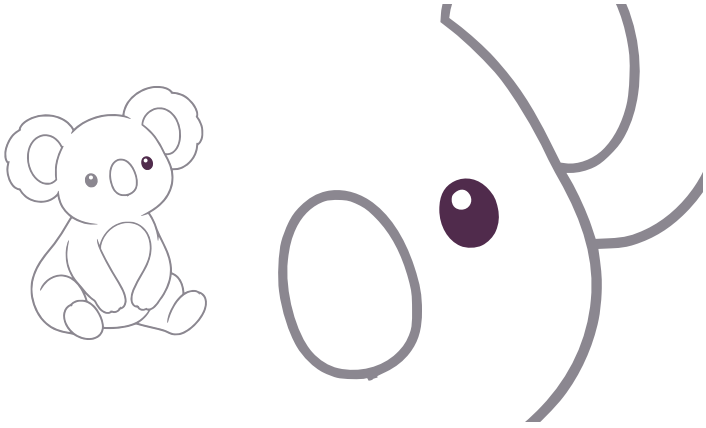


Draw the small dark left eye. Leave its tiny highlight white.

STEP 27

Place the right eye

Whole drawing Closer view

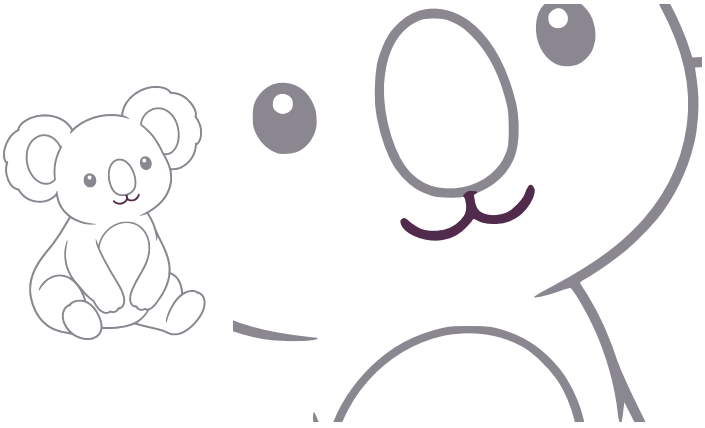


Place the other eye a little higher to follow the head tilt. Keep its highlight white.

STEP 28

Add the mouth curves

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the two short mouth curves below the nose, joining them neatly at the middle.

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STEP 29

Add the front toe marks

Whole drawing



Closer view



Draw the short toe divisions on the front paws. Keep them inside their outlines.

STEP 30

Add the hind toe marks

Whole drawing



Closer view



Add one short toe curve inside each hind foot. Avoid extending beyond the foot edges.

Try this fix: The head is wider than the body. Keep the paws separate. Erase temporary dashed guides as the new parts overlap.

Make it yours: Try two closed eyes or a straighter head tilt on your next drawing.

A koala with a tilted head

Choose your own colors, or use the outline as a drawing reference.



A koala with a tilted head

This palette is optional. Try your own colors.

