A tulip with two sweeping leaves

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STEP 1

Draw the middle petal

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw a pointed arch near the top of the page. Leave the bottom open for the front petals.

STEP 2

Start the left front petal

Whole drawing Closer view

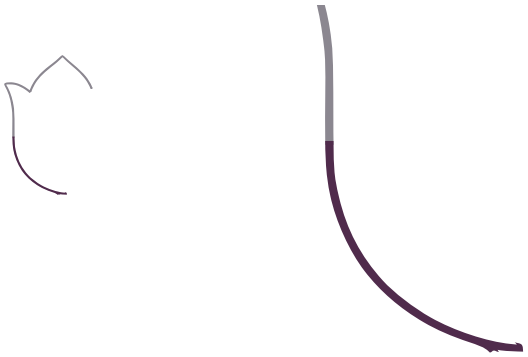


From the left side of the arch, curve outward to the left petal tip, then begin its outer edge.

STEP 3

Round the left petal base

Whole drawing Closer view



Continue that outside edge down and inward to the narrow flower base.

STEP 4

Draw the left inner edge

Whole drawing Closer view



From the left petal tip, curve inward toward the middle of the flower.

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STEP 5

Finish the inner curve

Whole drawing Closer view



Continue down from that curve to the flower base. Keep this line gently curved.

STEP 6

Start the right front petal

Whole drawing Closer view



From the right petal tip, curve down the outside. Leave room for a broad petal.

STEP 7

Round the right petal base

Whole drawing Closer view

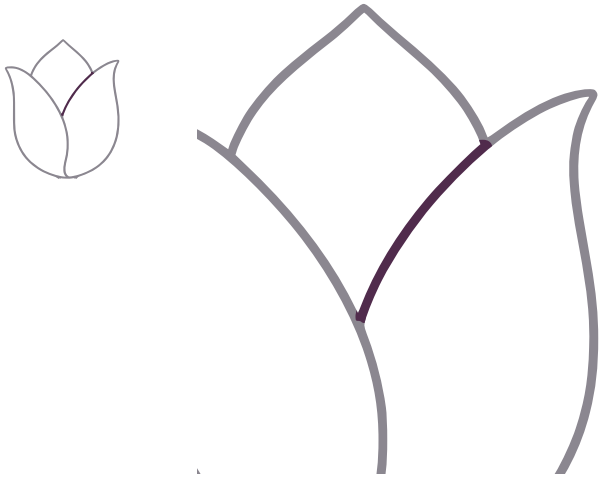


Continue that outside edge down and left to meet the flower base.

STEP 8

Join the right petal tip

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the short inner curve from the right tip to the meeting point of the front petals.

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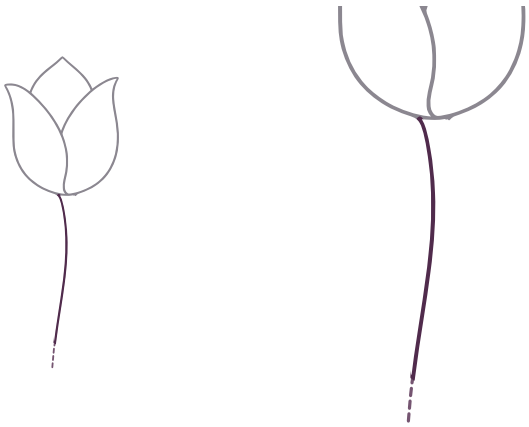
STEP 9

Draw one stem edge

Whole drawing Closer view

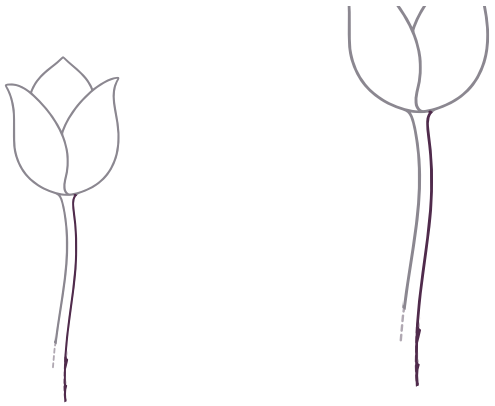


From the flower base, draw the left stem edge downward. Add the short pale guide at the future leaf join.

STEP 10

Draw the other stem edge

Whole drawing Closer view

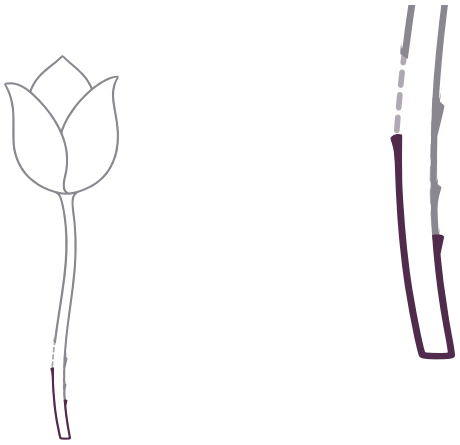


Draw the right stem edge along the same bend. Keep a slim white strip between the edges.

STEP 11

Close the stem bottom

Whole drawing Closer view



Continue the lower stem edges and join them at the bottom. Keep the two dashed leaf joins light.

STEP 12

Start the shorter leaf

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the upper edge of the left leaf from its pointed tip down toward the stem.

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STEP 13

Close the shorter leaf

Whole drawing Closer view



From the tip, sweep the outside edge down to the stem. Erase the left dashed join inside the leaf.

STEP 14

Start the taller leaf

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw the inner edge from the high right tip down toward the stem.

STEP 15

Close the taller leaf

Whole drawing Closer view



Curve down from that tip along the outside edge to the stem. Erase the remaining dashed join.

STEP 16

Add the left leaf vein

Whole drawing Closer view



Draw one gently curved line inside the shorter leaf, from its tip toward its base.

Continue with the next steps on the following page.

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STEP 17

Add the right leaf vein

Whole drawing



Closer view



Draw a longer curved vein inside the tall leaf. Stop at its base without extending outside.

Try this fix: Keep the flower base narrow. Both leaves must join the stem. Erase the dashed stem edges as leaves cover them.

Make it yours: Try a shorter stem or a more closed flower after copying the original.

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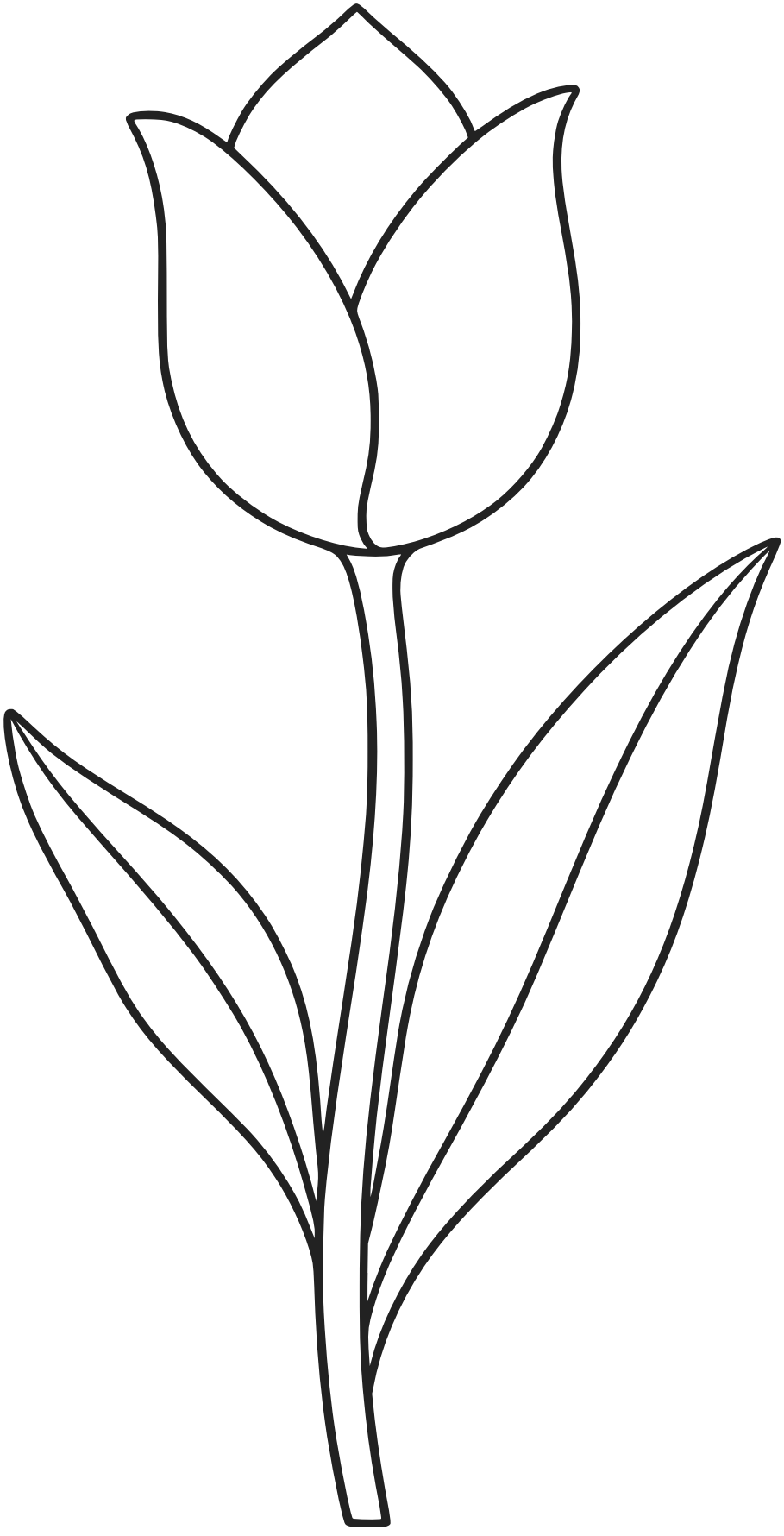
Choose your own colors, or use the outline as a drawing reference.



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This palette is optional. Try your own colors.

