# HOWTO DRAW ACAT

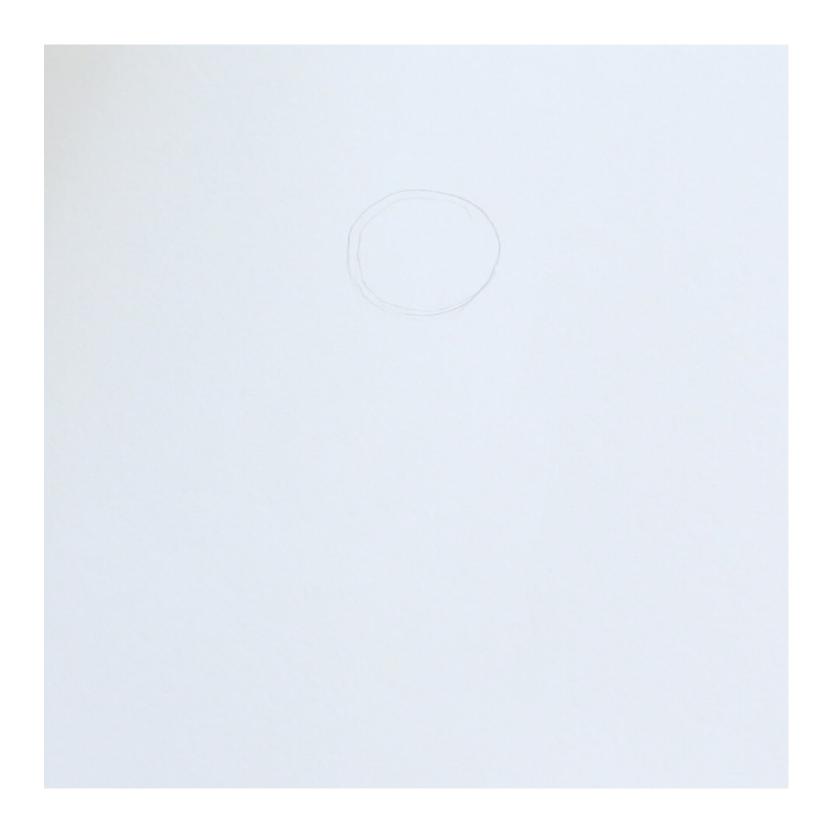
BY HOLLY LEOPPKY

@HOLLY\_MAEBERRY



You only need a few basic tools to doodle! You will need a piece of paper, a pencil, an eraser and a pen.

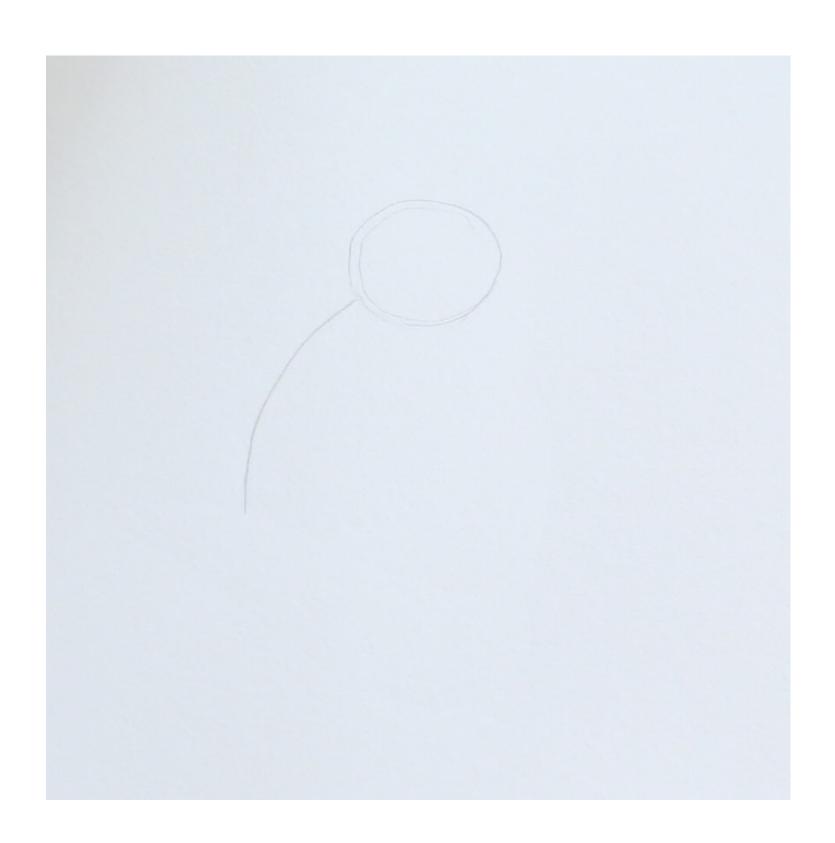
OK, lets jump right in!



### **STEP ONE**

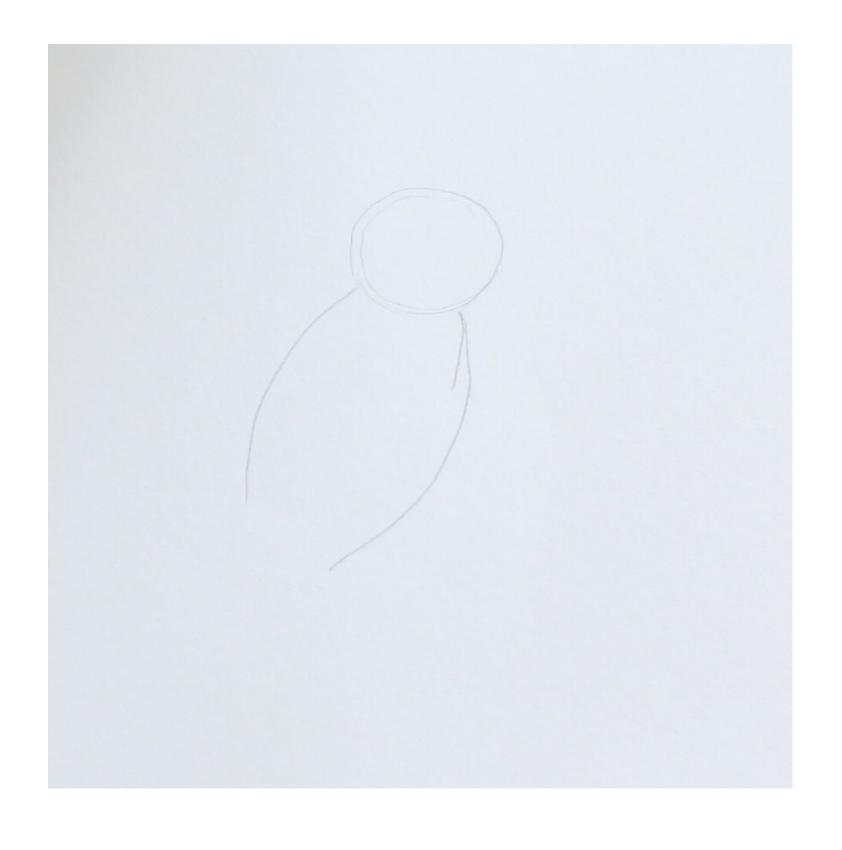
First of all, draw a circle where you want the head (about 1/3 from the top of the paper).

Remember to only press VERY lightly with your pencil as you will want to erase these lines later.



#### **STEP TWO**

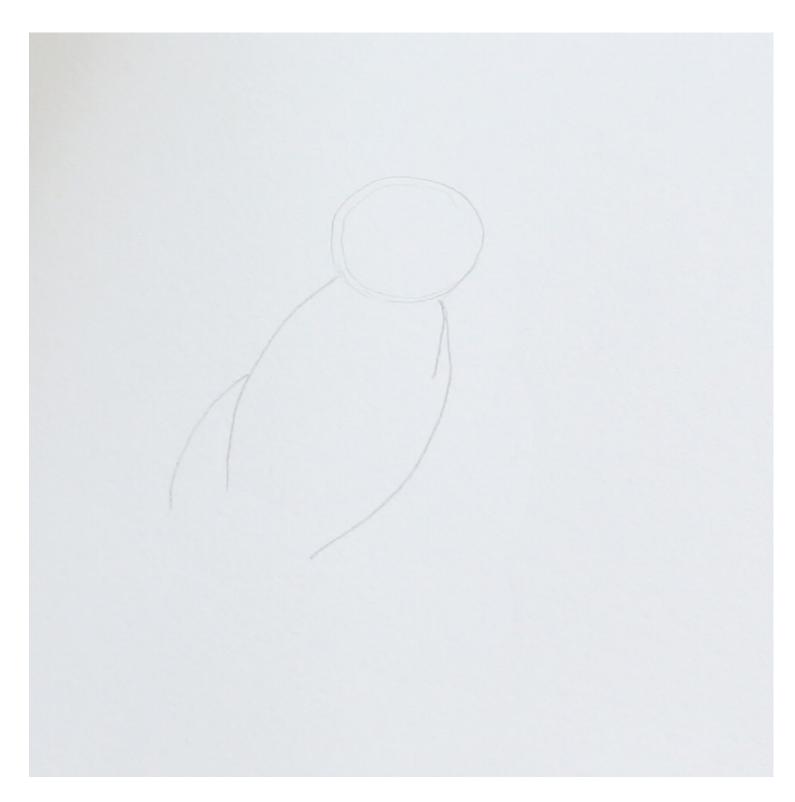
Next, we are going to draw a line down from the bottom left of the circle for the cat's shoulder.



## **STEP THREE**

And then another line down from the bottom right of the circle. This line will be a little wider and longer than the left one.

Don't worry too much about mistakes at this stage of the drawing because these pencils lines will be erased later.



## **STEP FOUR**

About half-way down the first, left line, we are going to draw another, smaller curved line going down.



## **STEP FIVE**

And then the same thing on the right side, but again, this line will be wider.



# **STEP SIX**

Now, where your last line ended, we are going to draw a smaller curve and bring it across to the left side with a bit of a curl to it. This is the bottom of the cat's tail.



# **STEP SEVEN**

And then follow from the tip of the cat's tail, up and back to the base of the tail on the right side.



# **STEP EIGHT**

Next, we are going to add the details for the cat's front legs.



## **STEP NINE**

Now we are ready for his face!

To draw his ears, you just need two curvy points where the ears go (kind of like unfinished triangles).



#### **STEP TEN**

For his nose, draw an upsidedown triangle about 2/3 down his face and two lines down from the center of his nose for his mouth.

(Here you can decide if your cat is happy, sad or calm by how you draw his mouth.)



#### **STEP ELEVEN**

The eyes can be a bit tricky, but with a bit of practice, you will become really good at them! Eyes are shaped a little bit like an almond or a football; round with with two corners on either side. If you start with the top line (like a little hill) and then mirror that line on the bottom, you should get something similar to the shape of an eye! Cat eyes are really unique because sometimes their pupils look tall and skinny and not round at all, so lets add two vertical lines in for his pupils.

#### **STEP TWELVE**



Now that you have the basic sketch for your cat, lets go ahead and finish it up with lining. You can line with a regular pen, a fineliner or even a marker! To line your cat, simply trace over your pencil lines with your pen. Just be mindful of any mistakes in your sketch, so that you don't line the mistakes with your pen. This is also the step where you can give your cat his personality, for example, you could give him furry hair, or short hair or special markings in his fur. I have put hairs in his ears and also given him some whiskers!



## **STEP THIRTEEN**

Now, make sure you wait a couple minutes for the ink from your pen to dry and then you can gently erase your pencil sketch lines!

And there is your finished cat doodle! Now you could even color him in if you have colored pencils, crayons, markers or paint-just make sure to ask your parent or guardian first!:)

I hope you love how your cat turned out!! With a few tweaks here and there, you can make so many different sizes and colors of cat friends!

# **ABOUT THE ARTIST**

Holly is a travel-loving, creative enthusiast who dreams of living by a warm ocean someday with her hubby. She enjoys reading, eating, collecting plants and playing with puppies.

@holly\_maeberry

