

# How to Draw a Cartoon Wolf



Wolves have been cartoon staples since the early days of animation, beginning with such classic stories as "The Three Little Pigs" and "Little Red Riding Hood." These stories cast the wolf as the villain, but there are plenty of stories in which this animal is rightly the hero - Balto (1995), Alpha and Omega (2010), and the Japanese anime Wolf's Rain are just a few examples.

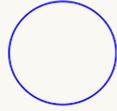
Would you like to be able to draw your own cute cartoon wolf? Now you can, with the help of this easy, step-by-step drawing tutorial.

All you need is a piece of paper, an eraser, and something with which to draw, such as a pencil. You may also want to use crayons, markers, or colored pencils to color your cartoon wolf when completed.

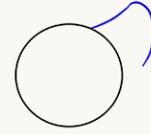
This guide follows a step-by-step format, and each step is accompanied by an illustration. Notice that new lines added in each step are highlighted in light blue, while marks made in previous steps appear in black. You will wish to sketch lightly at first, as there is need to erase some of your initial lines before you complete the drawing.

Following this tutorial, you'll soon have a wolfish friend of your very own.

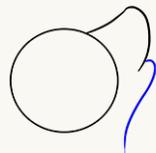
# Step-by-step Instructions for a Cartoon Wolf



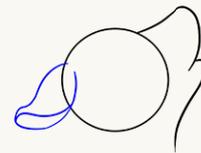
Begin by drawing a circle.



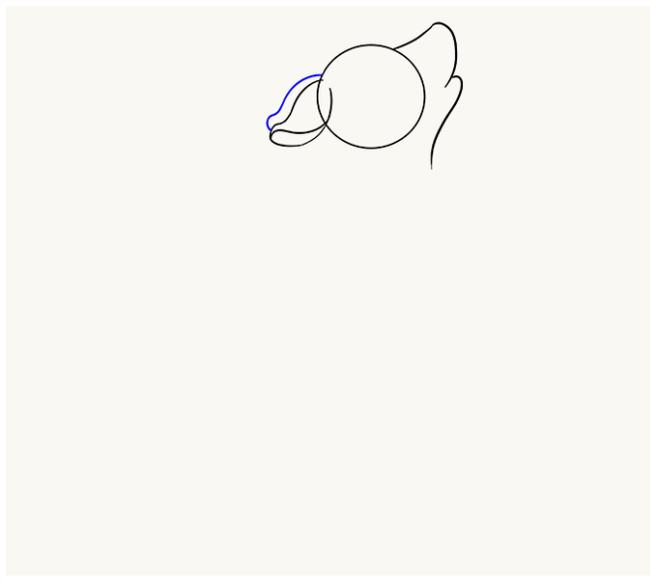
Extend a curved line from the top of the circle, to the right. This will form the wolf's snout.



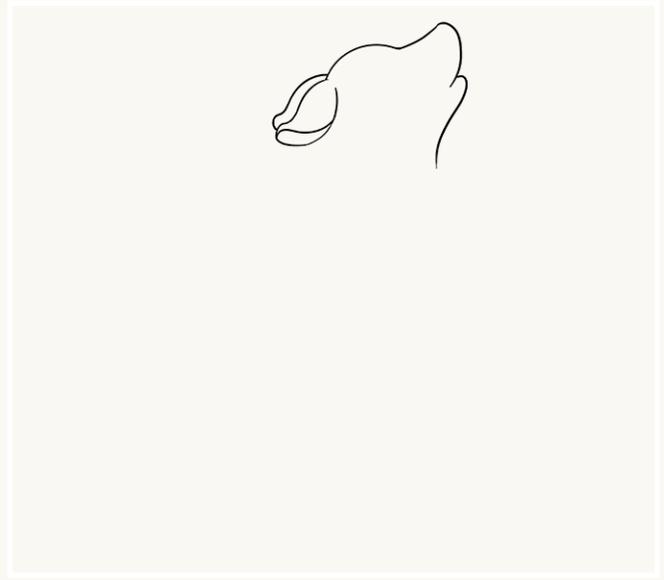
Extend another curved line downwards from the previous line.



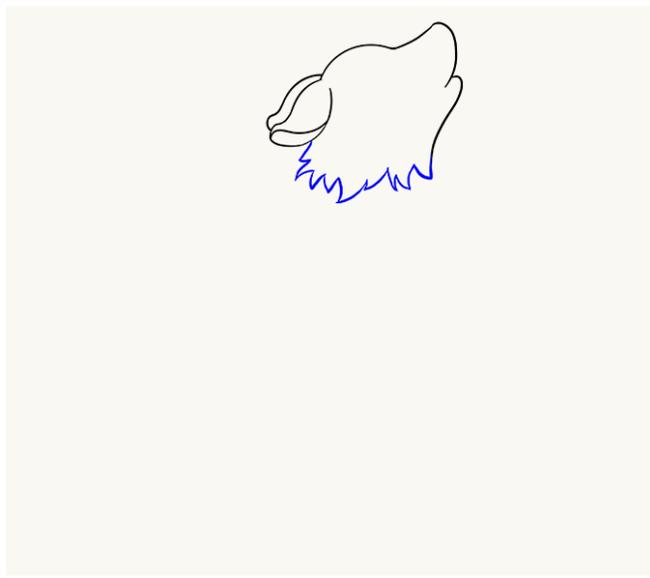
To draw the ear, extend a curved line from the left side of the circle. This line will double back on itself, nearly enclosing the form. Within this shape, draw another, smaller, curved line. This details the inside of the ear.



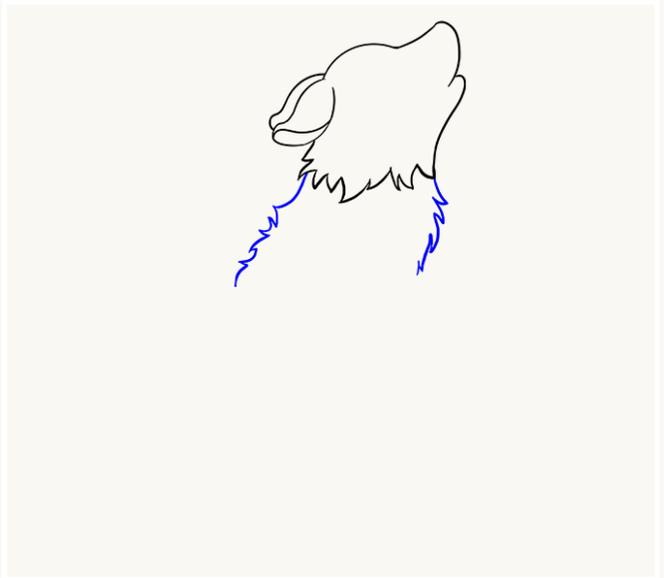
Draw another curved line above this one to indicate the other ear.



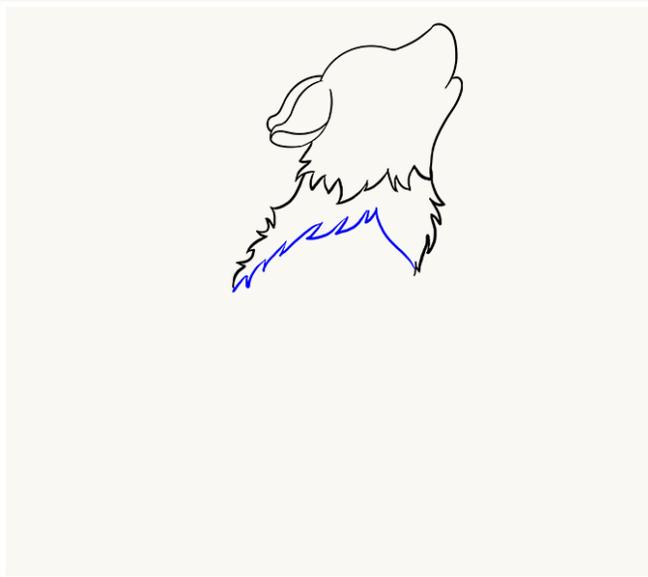
Erase the guide lines formed by the original circle.



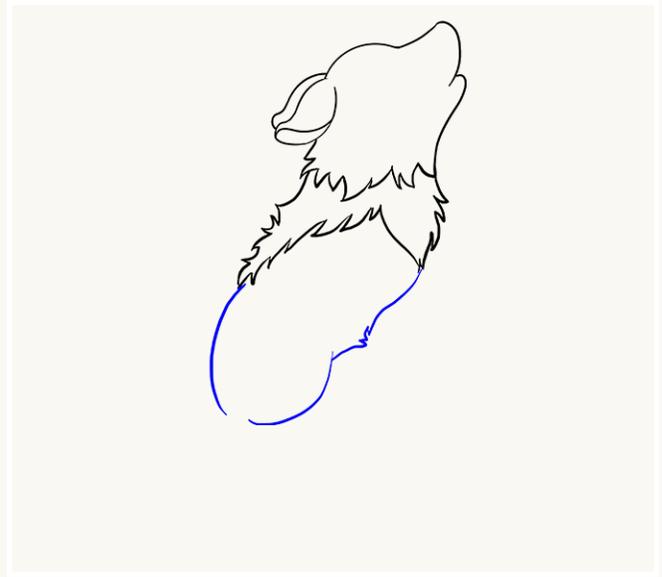
Draw jagged fur along the neck. Do so by drawing about eighteen short, curved lines that meet in irregular points.



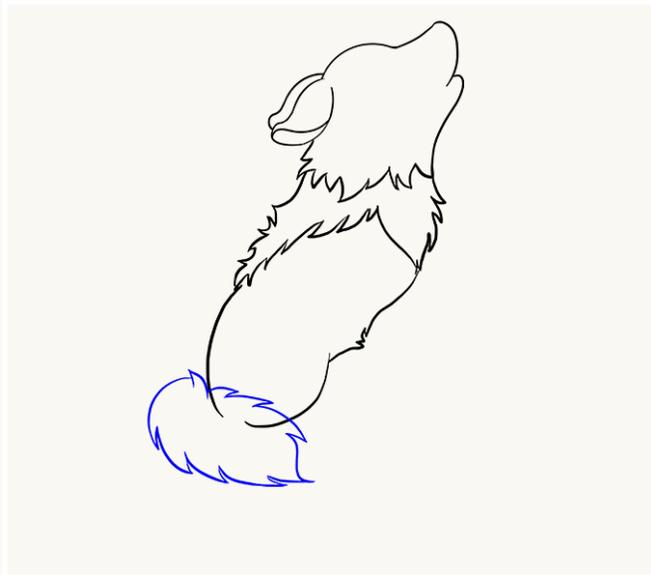
Draw the fur of the back and chest. Using short curved lines, draw jagged points as you did along the neck.



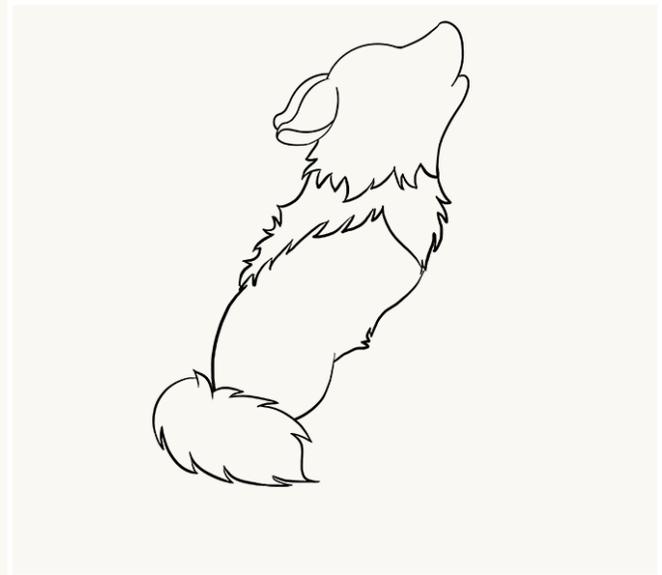
Using curved lines of varying lengths, connect the fur of the back and chest. This will form a sort of mane along the wolf's neck.



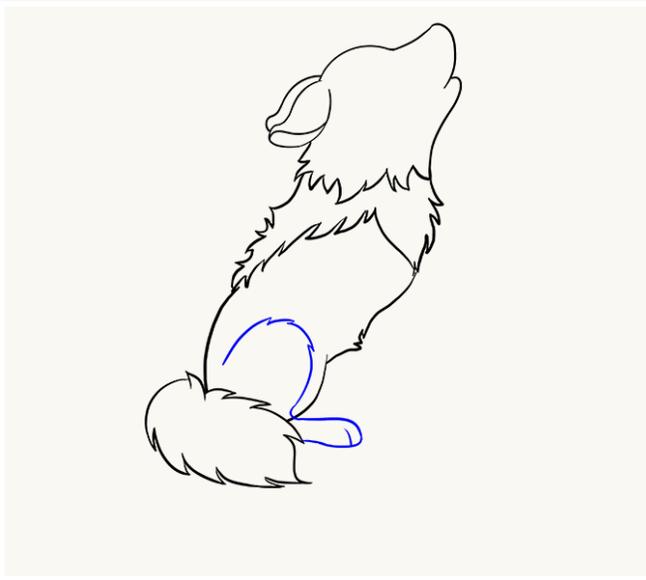
Extend a long curved line downward from the chest. Add some fur detail using four short lines that meet in jagged points, then continue with another long, curved line. Extend another long, curved line from the back.



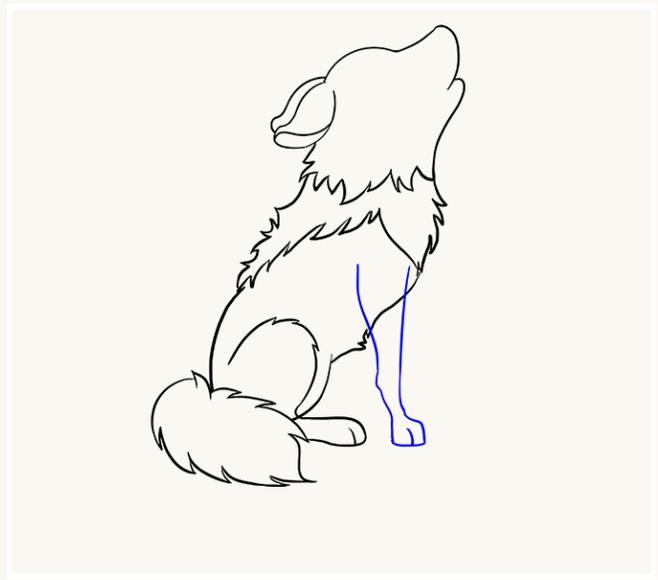
Draw the bushy tail overlapping the lines that form the rump. The tail is an oval form consisting of jagged points of fur. Use about eighteen curved lines of various lengths to outline this shape.



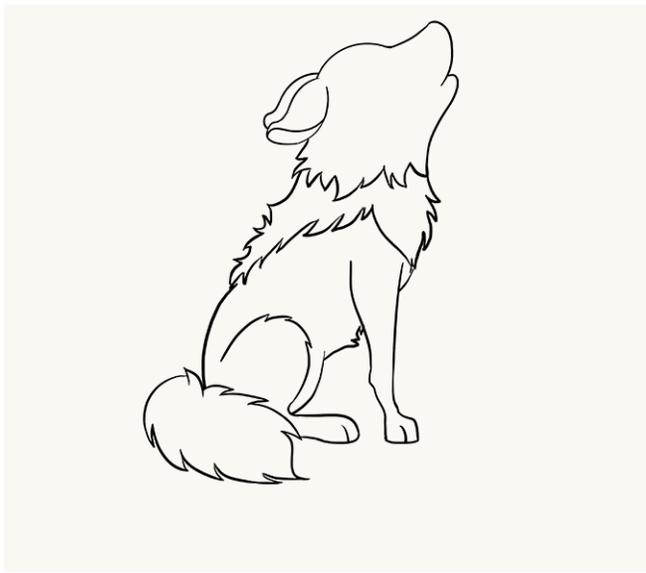
Erase the guide lines from within the tail.



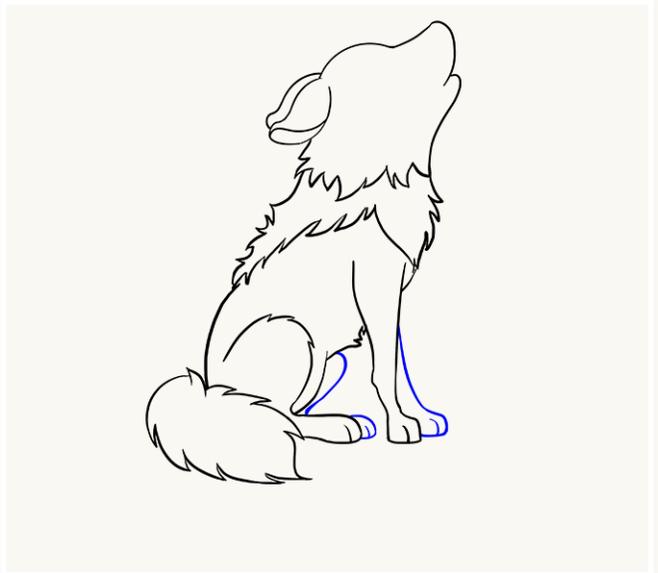
Draw the rear leg. Begin with an upside down "U" shape consisting of seven curved lines that meet in jagged points of fur. Where the tail and body converge, draw the foot using a long "U" shaped line. Draw a short curved line at the end of the foot to differentiate the toes.



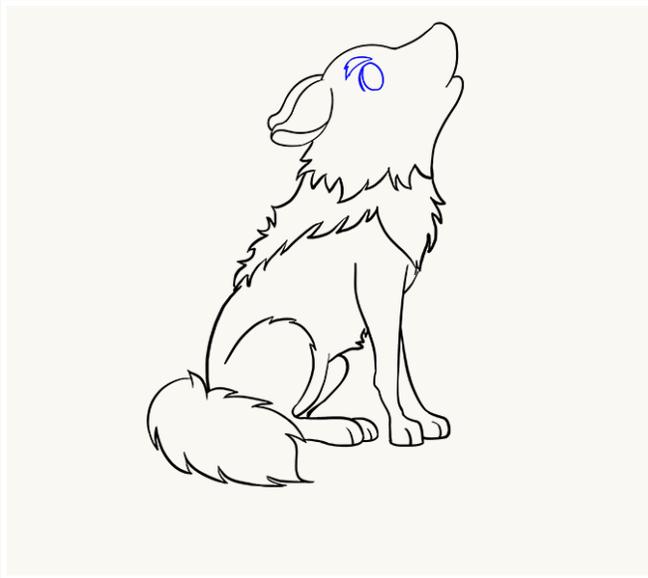
Draw the front leg using a long, curved line. The line should begin at the chest, extend downward, form a rounded square shape, and double back to end near its starting point. Draw a short, curved line within the square of the foot to differentiate the toes.



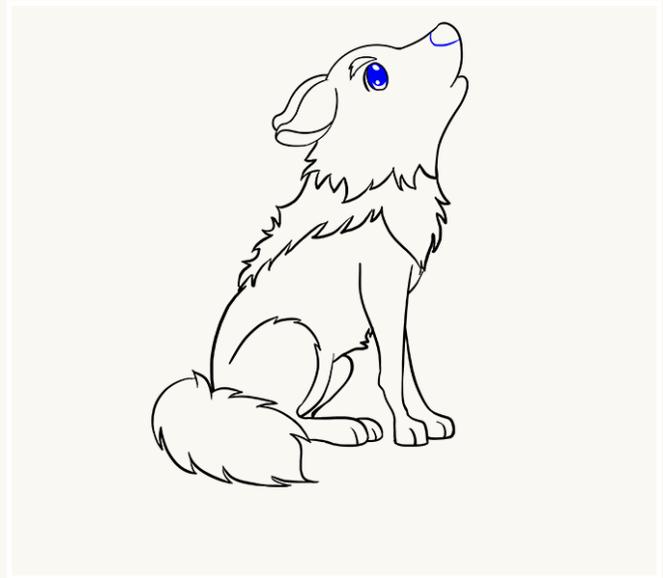
Erase the guide lines that cross through the legs.



Draw the far legs, using one curved line for the front leg and two for the back leg. Draw a short, curved line at the end of each foot to differentiate the toes.



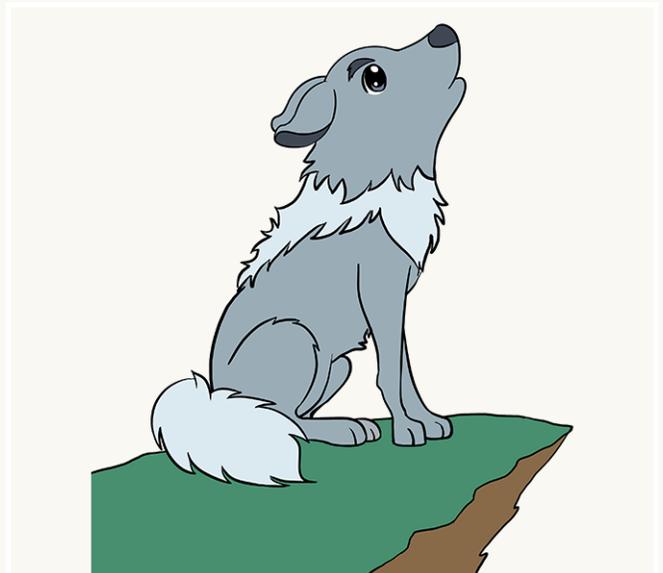
Draw a circle to form the eye. To the left of the circle, extend a curved line. Above the eye, draw an eyebrow by connecting four curved lines to form an enclosed shape with jagged fur on one side.



Draw a circle within the eye, and two tiny circles within it. Shade the area around the tiny circles. Draw the nose using a curved line.



Place your howling wolf near a cliff's edge. Draw a wavy line extending from the left side of your paper, behind the wolf. Connect this line at a point to two more wavy lines which extend to the bottom of the page.



Color your finished picture. Though wolves are often colored gray, they may also be black, brown, red, or white.

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