

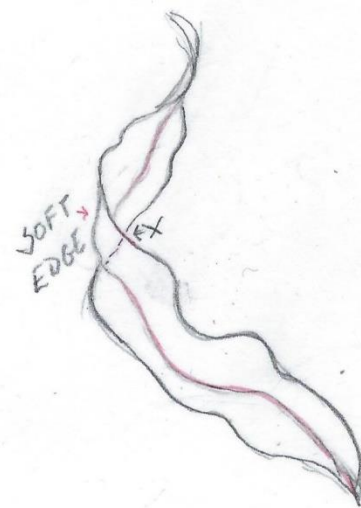
Leaves, Twisting and Curling

Drawing a twisty leaf:

- ❖ Draw the side of the leaf closest to you
- ❖ Draw the other side including the part you cannot see.
- ❖ Draw the center vein making sure it connects.
- ❖ Erase the extra lines
- ❖ Draw the soft edge to smooth out the X where the lines cross.

Drawing a curling leaf:

- ❖ Look carefully and measure.
- ❖ Make sure that the curling side is not too big (if you uncurled would the leaf be the same on each side?)
- ❖ The side that is curling or folded must be smaller than the other side.
- ❖ Note that your leaf may continue curling as you draw it. Get good first measurements and after that do not change them.



Try tracing these leaves (Everlasting Pea and Copper Beech) by Sarah Simblet to understand how she draws twisting and curling. Note the graceful curves.

"Drawing is the discipline by which I constantly rediscover the world." ... Frederick Franck, The Zen of Seeing, Seeing/ Drawing as Meditation