



## Rose

Family: Rosaceae, Genus: Rosa, 5 +  
Petals, 5 Sepals



### ❖ Drawing:

- Start by doing some quick loose sketches from different viewpoints. These 3-minute drawings are a time for you to get to know your flower.
- If you look at the rose from the side, you can sometimes see the **teacup shape**. Measure from side to side and top to stem. Start with that cup and then add each new petal in relationship

to the previous ones.

- If you are looking at a fully open rose **face-on**, start by measuring and drawing an outer **circle or oval** the size of your rose.



- Start in the middle and work out from there again adding one petal at a time, working front to back.
- Look at **relationships** between petals and **negative spaces**.
- Try to stay loose with your drawing and keep the gesture and delicacy of the flower. Roses can get stiff looking if you are not careful.
- Do not forget that your stem and petals must meet up with the center of the flower.

- ❖ Using these geometric shapes are ways to contain your flower, giving it a place to live and you a place to start.

*"Much of the greatest art, I find, seeks to remind us of the obvious. This is real, is all it says. Take the time to stop and imagine more fully the things you already know." ... Patrick Bringley.*

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