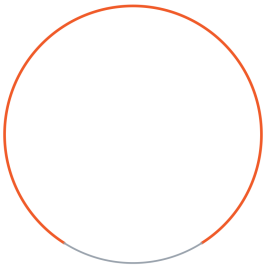
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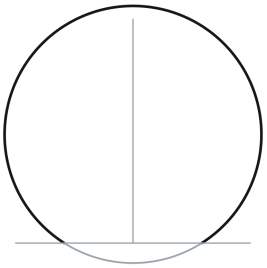
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1. Start with a large circle.



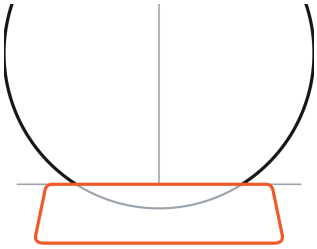
Leave space below for the base. Keep the bottom curve light; it will be hidden.

2. Add light placement guides.



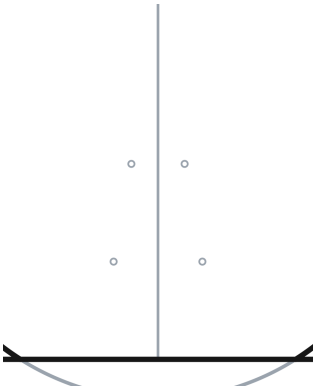
Draw a gray center line. Add a low horizontal guide for the top of the base.

3. Draw a short, wide base.



Draw its top across the guide. Round the corners and make the bottom wider.

4. Mark where the tree layers start.

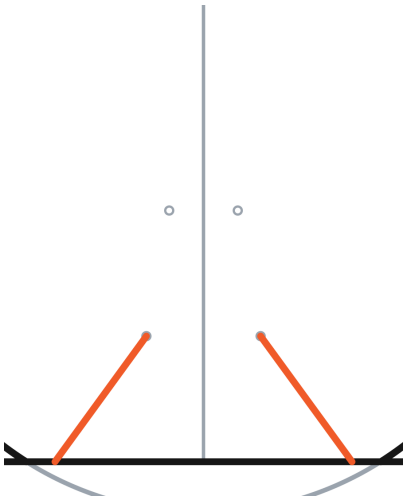


Add two pairs of light gray dots. Place the higher pair closer together.

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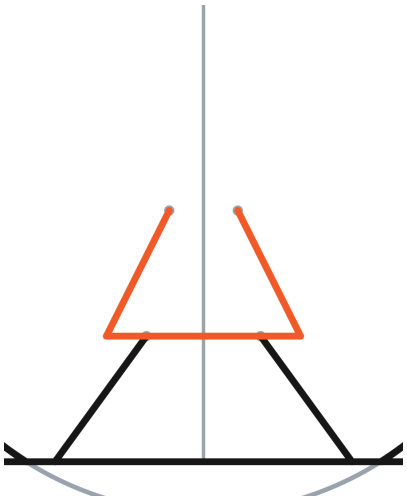
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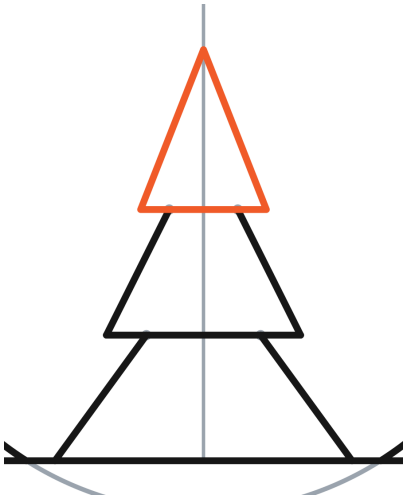
5. Make the widest tree layer.

From each lower dot, slant outward to the base. The base edge closes the bottom.



6. Add a smaller layer above it.

Start at the higher left dot. Go down, across the lower dots, then up to the right dot.



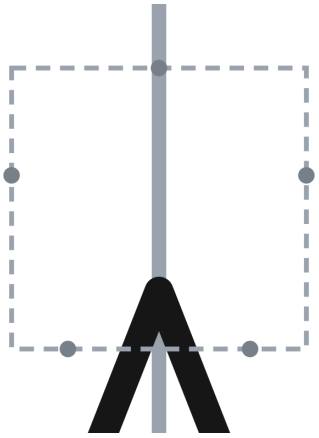
7. Finish the tree with a triangle.

Start on the center guide above the layers. Join both sides with a line across the higher dots.

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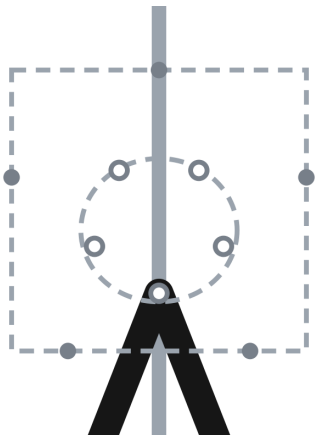
Step 8: build the star

Centre a small star above the tree tip, using the long centre guide. Make the star about half as wide as the top tree layer at its base. Put the star's bottom inward turn on the tree tip. Use the enlarged pictures below to build the star. Draw the box, oval and placement marks lightly; they are temporary guides. Dark lines stay, and orange lines show what to add.



A. Place the five tips

Lightly draw a nearly square box around the existing centre guide. Mark its top middle, both sides a little above halfway down, and two bottom points slightly in from the corners.



B. Place the inward turns

Draw a light oval inside the box, about half as wide and half as tall. Mark two turns just outside its upper sides, two near its lower sides, and one at its bottom middle. Each turn sits between two outer tips.



C. Join the right half

Start at the top tip. Join the upper-right turn, right tip, lower-right turn and bottom-right tip. Then join the bottom-middle turn. Keep each line between its two marks; do not cross the middle.

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Step 8: build the star

Continue the same star. Dark lines stay; orange lines are new. Gray marks are temporary guides.



D. Join the left half

From the bottom-middle turn, join the bottom-left tip, lower-left turn and left tip. Continue through the upper-left turn to meet the top tip. You now have five outward points.



E. Erase only the star guides

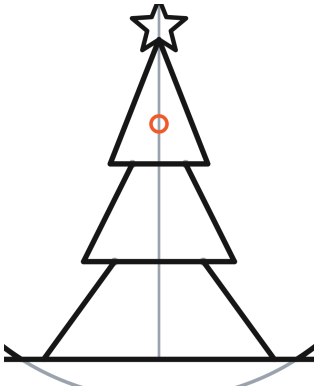
Erase only the new box, oval and star placement marks. Keep the star outline and the original long centre guide. The centre guide and other globe guides stay until step 13. If a line misses its next point, erase just that short line and reconnect the two marks before removing the guides.

Count five outward tips. Small differences in the angles are fine; the outline should be closed.

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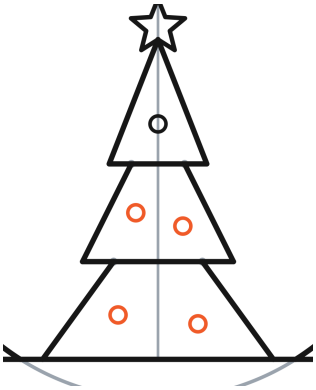
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9. Draw one round bauble.



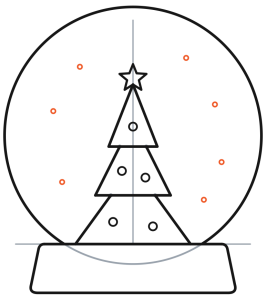
Make a small circle inside the top layer. Keep it away from the edges.

10. Add four more baubles.



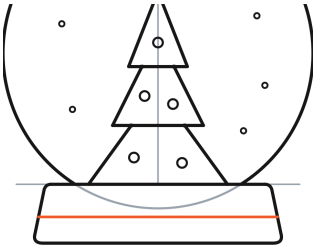
Draw two small circles in each lower layer. Keep every circle inside the tree.

11. Scatter a few snow circles.



Draw tiny circles inside the globe. Leave space around the tree and the globe edge.

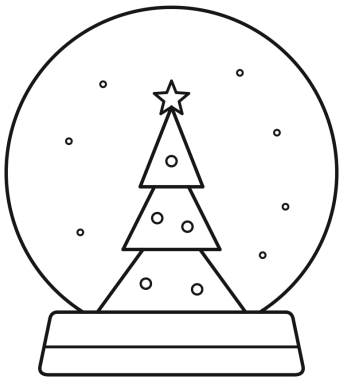
12. Add one line across the base.



Join the two sides with a horizontal line below the top edge.

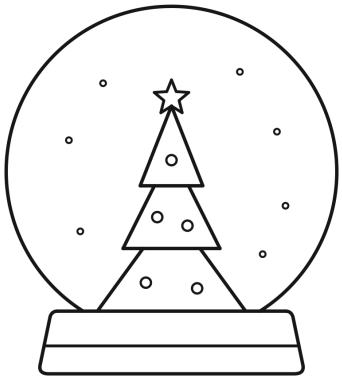
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13. Erase only the gray marks.

Remove the guides and the hidden bottom curve. Keep the black top edge of the base.



14. Check the outline and joins.

Keep the base top, three tree layers and star. Check that the gray marks are gone.

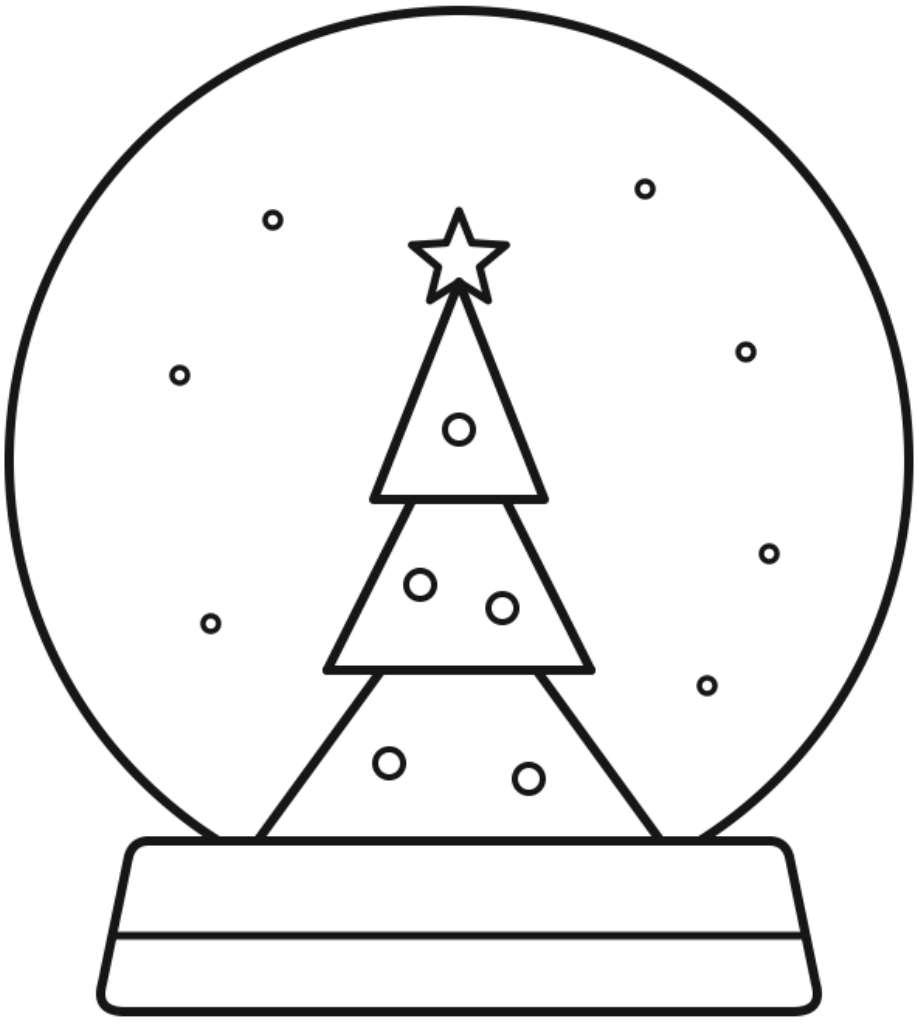
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