

How to Draw Your Own Sunrise

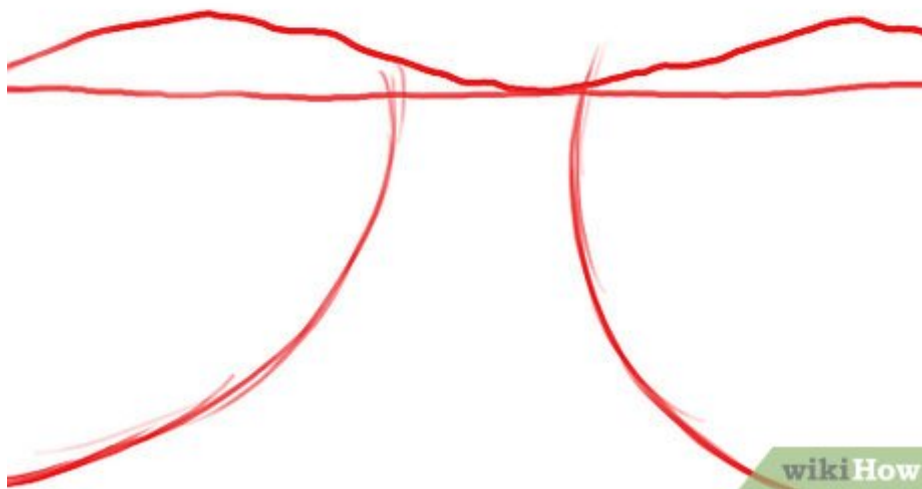
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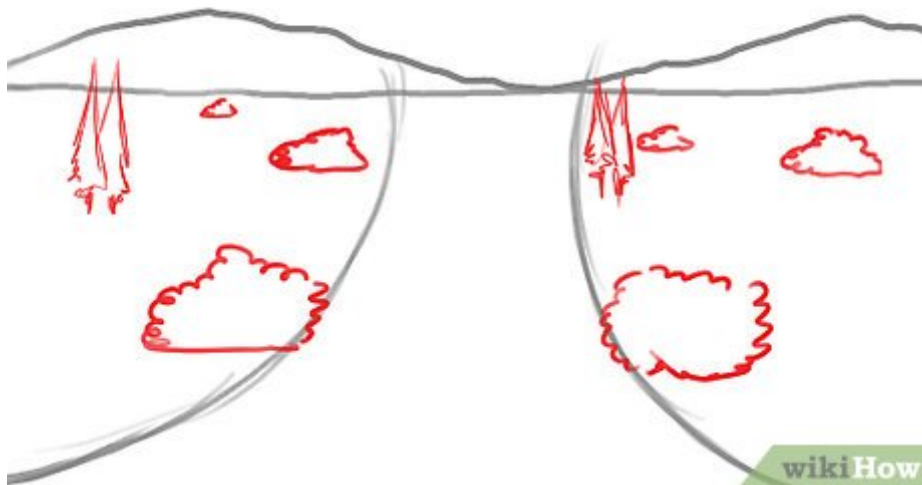
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Drawing a sunrise can vary in all degrees of difficulty. This article will detail step by step on how to draw a relatively simple yet good looking sunrise.

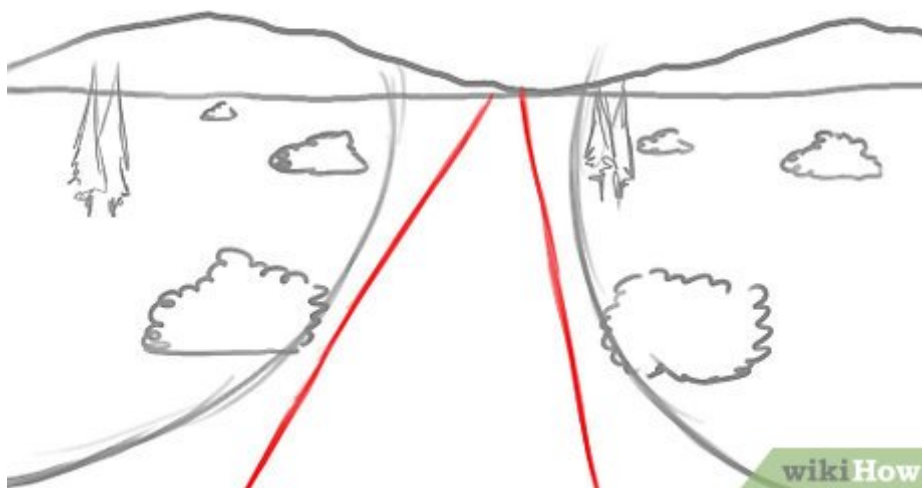
Steps



1 Preliminary Steps. Start by drawing a bumpy horizontal line that runs across the entirety of the page. Try to put this line on the upper half of the paper. Also, sketch two quarter circles that get cut off by each bottom corner. Imagine they would wrap around 360 degrees if the paper didn't stop. These two are reference shapes and will be erased later.



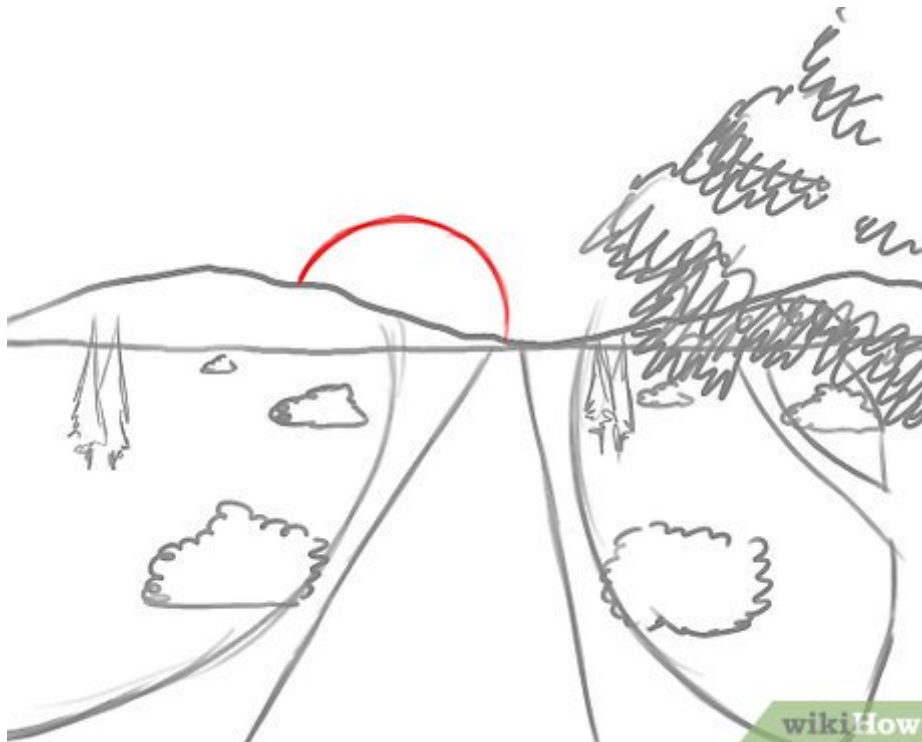
- 2 Draw some plants.** Draw garden shrubs inside each shape in the bottom corners. You can now erase the two quarter circles themselves, leaving just the plants inside.



- 3 Create a road.** Draw a road that leads off into the distance. Start at the bottom of the page, and make the road get skinnier as you go. Keep the road winding until it dead ends into the bumpy horizontal line you drew earlier, which is now acting as a mountain range in the distance.



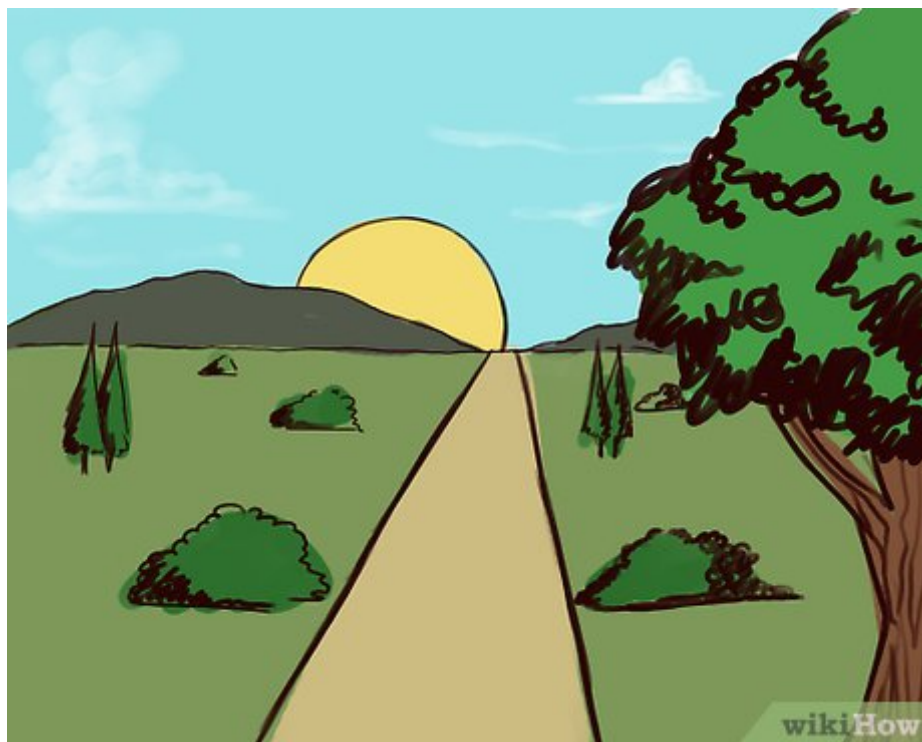
- 4 OPTIONAL STEP.** For those who are more comfortable with their artistic skills, draw a tree on the right side of the page. Have the base of the trunk start at the top of the bush on the right side, and start extending branches once the trunk is over the hillside.



- 5 Make your sun!** All now that's left to do is draw your sun. Have it peering over the mountainside as kind of a half circle.



6 Outline our drawing and erase guidelines.



7 Color it up! You could add shadows and highlights if you want and we're done!



Community Q&A

Question

How do I shade a drawing?



TheUnknownStalker
Community Answer

You need to see where light would be hitting, and where light wouldn't be hitting, you shade it there.

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Question

How can I make my sun look 3D?



Community Answer

Give it some shadows and shading. You could also do some kind of gradient going from the sun outward.

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Question

How do I make my sun look more like the real sun?



MidnightBlue1_1
Top Answerer

To make your sun look more like a sun, you can add details to it to make it look more like one. One way is to add sun rays. To do this, start by drawing a circle and then drawing straight lines projecting from it in different directions. If you like, you can color your sun to make it look more realistic.

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Tips

- Look at the attribution link, where helpful photos are provided.

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