

How to Draw a Labyrinth

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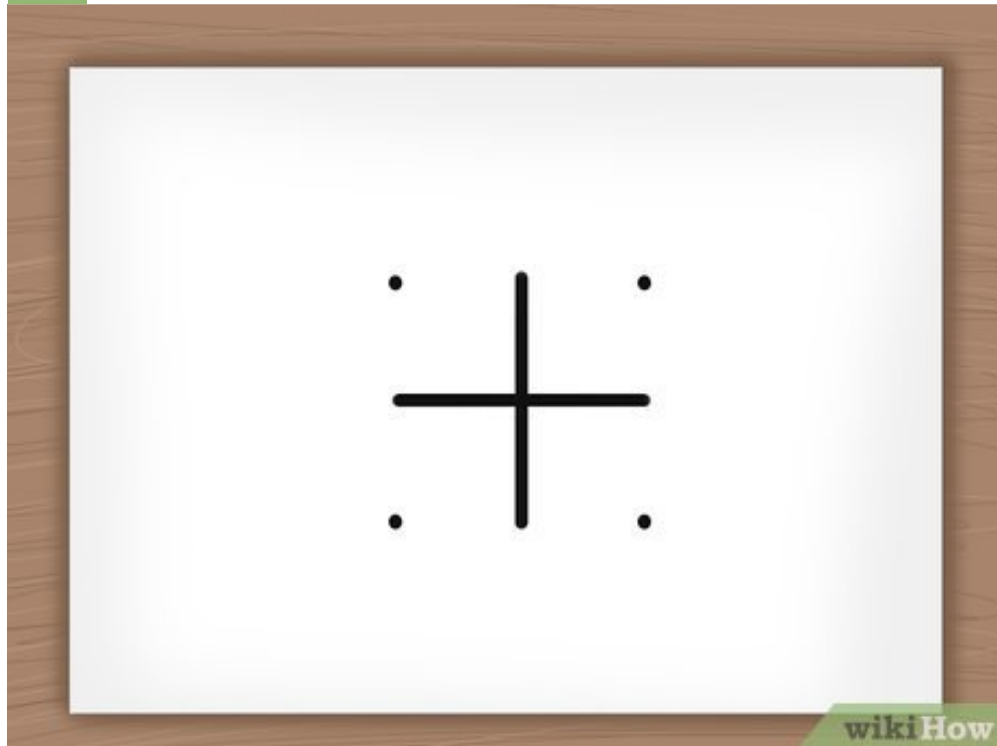
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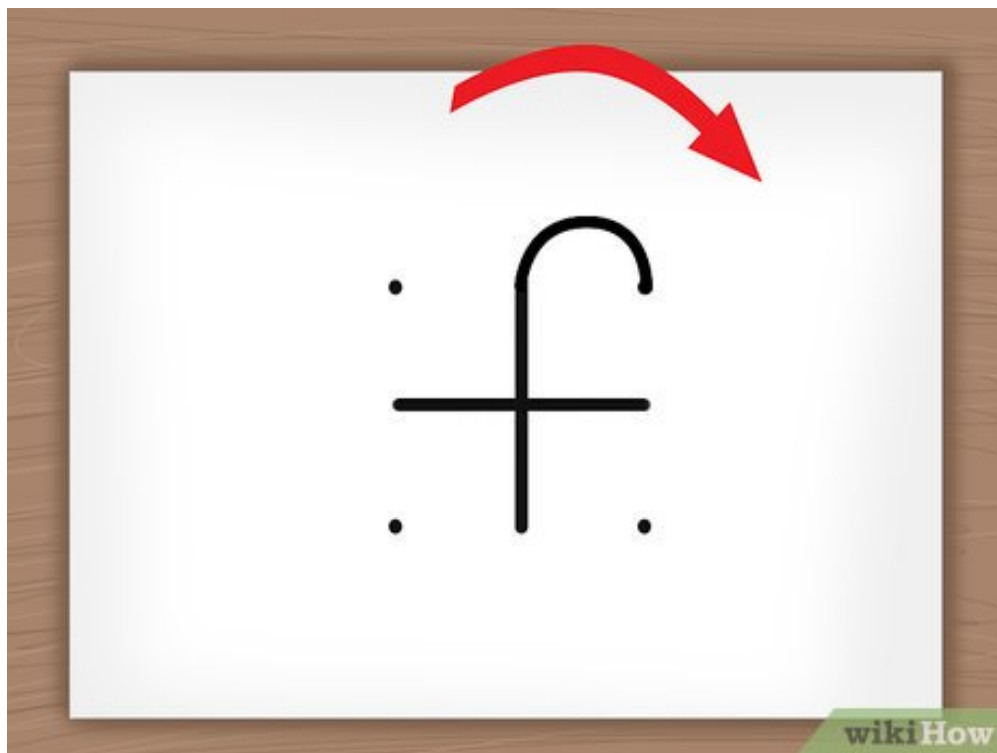
Labyrinth designs are fun and can be used as puzzles, logos, and decorative art, just to name a few. This article explains the process of drawing a labyrinth; as long as you're patient, it's actually very easy to do.

Method
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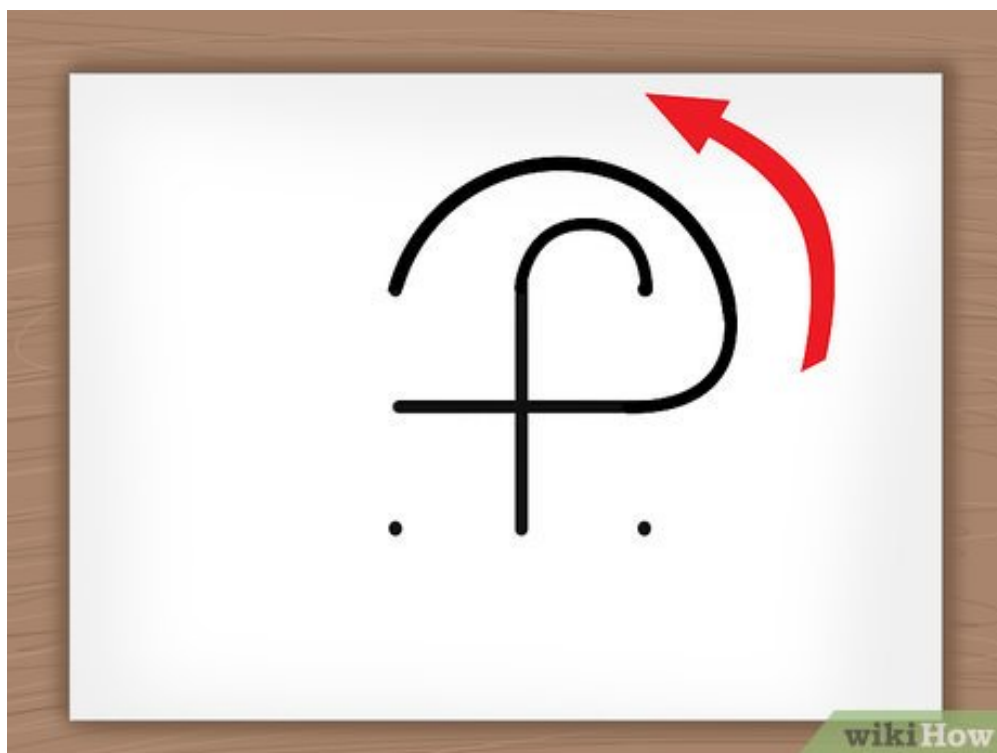
Method 1 of 2: Simple Labyrinth



1 **Draw a cross.** Add dots on all four corners of an imaginary square.



- 2** Connect the upper tip of the vertical line with the upper right dot using a curved line.



- 3** Using another curved line, connect the right tip of the horizontal line with the upper left dot.

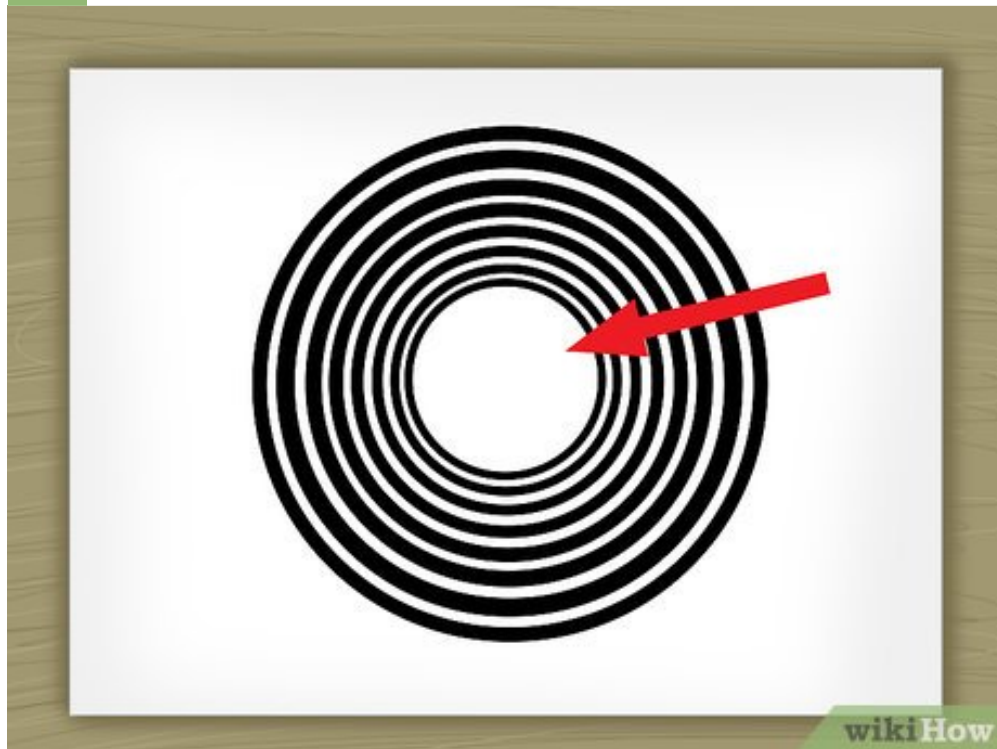


- 4** Connect the left tip of the horizontal line to the lower right dot using a bigger curved line.



- 5** Elongate the vertical line on the bottom and connect its tip on the lower left dot.

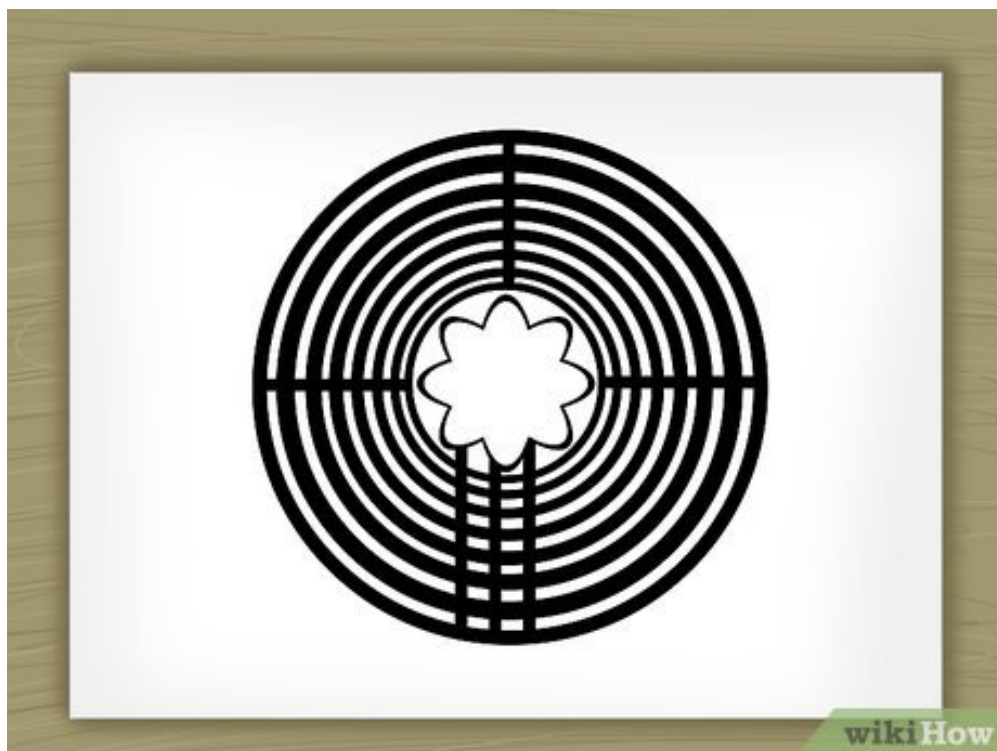
Method 2 of 2: Complex Labyrinth



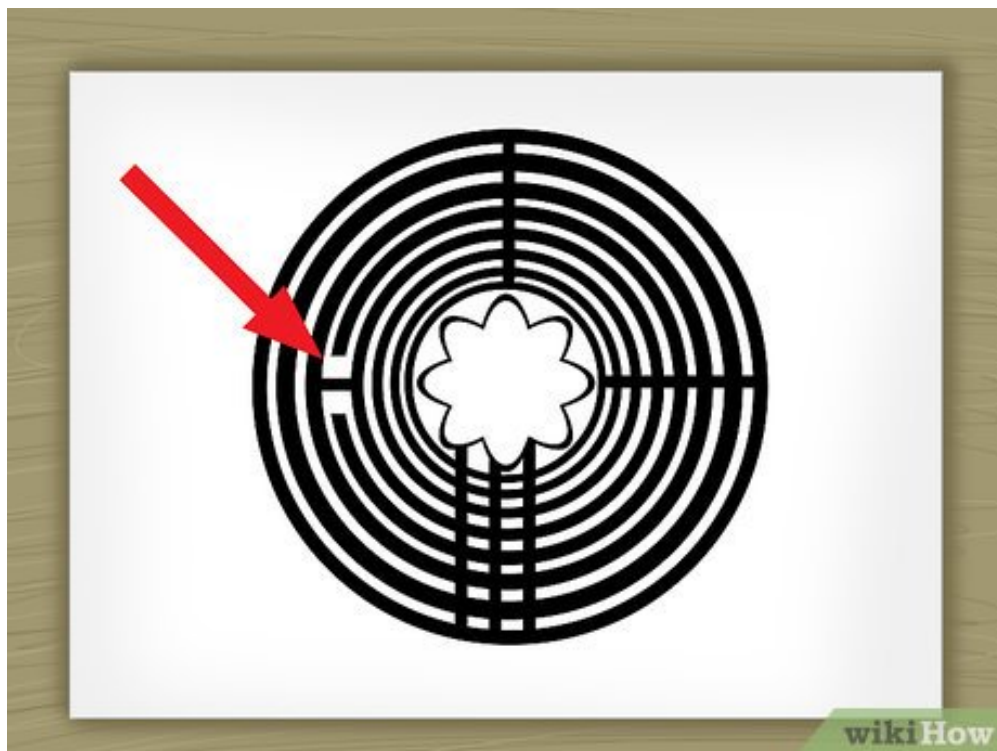
- 1** Draw eight concentric **circles**, leaving a small circle that will serve as the **labyrinth's center**. (Concentric circles sit one inside the other, like a target in a game of darts.)
 - To make things as easy as possible, label the circles from 1-8, starting with the largest circle as number 1. (There will be references to numbered circles later in the instructions, so even if you decide not to physically label your circles, at least know which would be 1, which would be 2, etc.)



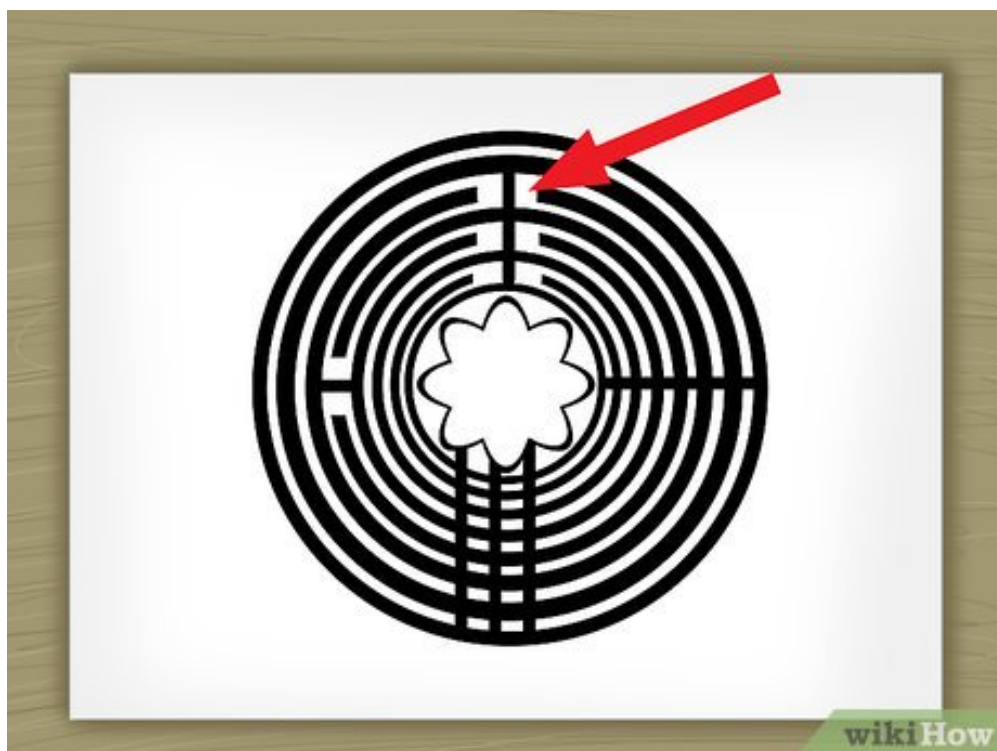
- 2** At the labyrinth's center, draw a flower-like pattern. This is the center of most labyrinths.
- Your flower should be perfectly symmetrical--i.e., drawing a straight line through its center in any direction should yield two identical halves. If this is not the case initially, try to redo your flower so that it is.



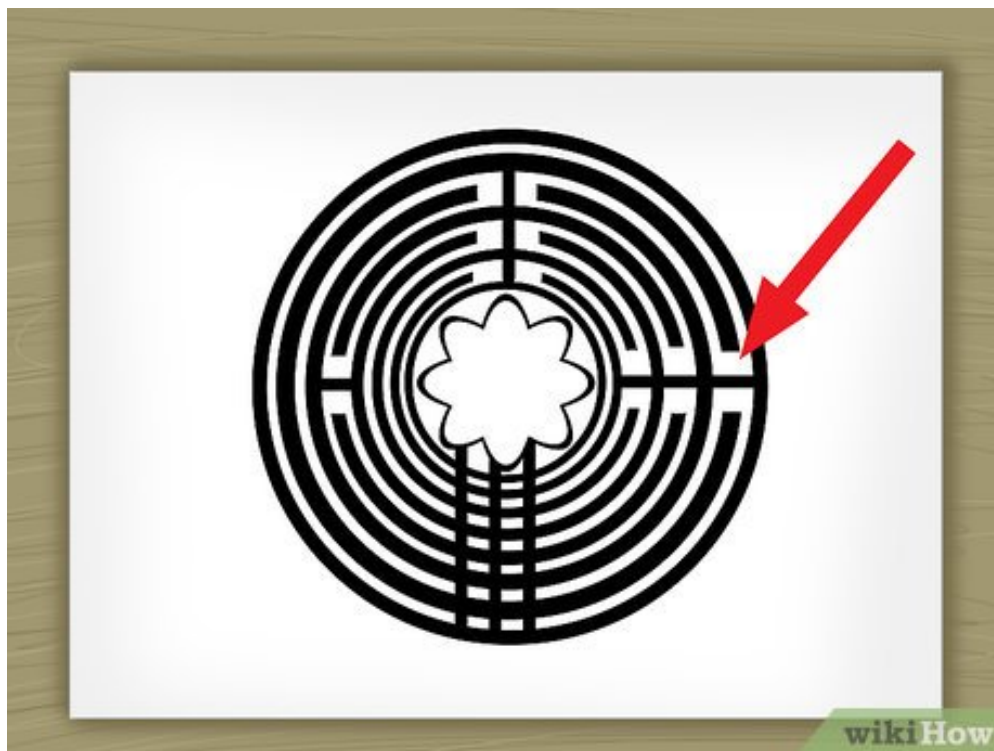
- 3** Draw two horizontal lines and four vertical lines across the labyrinth, taking care to avoid drawing through the center. The lines should align with the middle of the labyrinth. The lines should be spaced evenly apart.



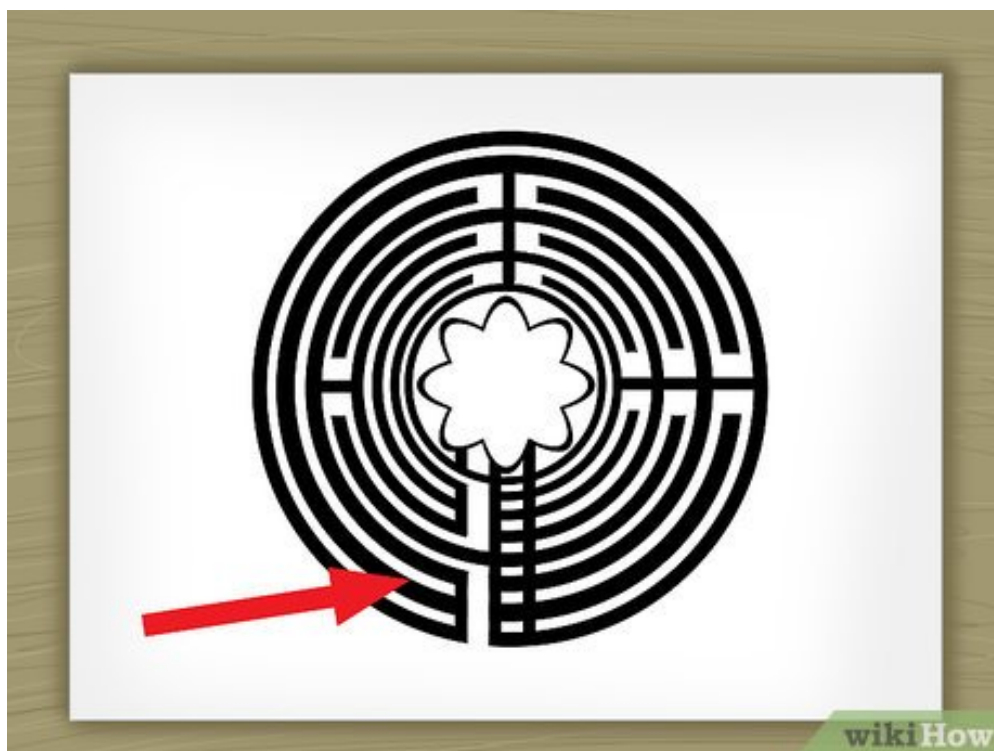
- 4 Erase lines to make labyrinth pathways.** Starting with the left horizontal line, erase lines in circles 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7. Erase a part of circle 4, as shown here.
- When erasing, remember to make the pathway's size equal to the size of the spaces within circles.



- 5 Erase the vertical line in the first circle, and leave the rest of them untouched.** Erase parts of circles 3, 5, and 7.



6 Erase the horizontal line in circle 7, but leave the rest of them untouched. Erase parts of circles 2, 4, and 6.



7 Erase the first vertical line from the left within circles 3, 4, and 7. Leave the second vertical line untouched. Erase the third vertical line from the left within circle 7, leaving the rest untouched.



8 Continue to erase lines within each circle to complete the pathways.

- For circle 1, erase the part between the first and second vertical lines.
- For circles 2 and 6, erase the part between the first and third vertical lines, as well as some from the left.
- For circles 3, 5, and 7, erase the part between the first and third vertical line, as well as some from the right.
- For circle 4, erase the part between the second and third vertical line.
- For circle 8, erase the part between the second and third vertical line.



Community Q&A

Question

How should a labyrinth be colored?



Community Answer

Brown, grey, and black are realistic colors to use.

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Question

How do I know where the beginning of the labyrinth is? Is there a set way to walk it?



Community Answer

There is not a right or wrong way to draw a labyrinth. All a labyrinth is is a maze. To find where a labyrinth starts is to look on the perimeter of the labyrinth for a way out or opening. There is no set way to walk it unless you are trying to escape it.

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Question

How can I make one using small pebbles?



Community Answer

Line the pebbles up to make the walls of the labyrinth.

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Tips

- These instructions work for both paper drawing and screen drawing. Try both to see which effect you like the most.
- Have patience. Labyrinths are meant to test it!

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