A scarlet macaw in flight

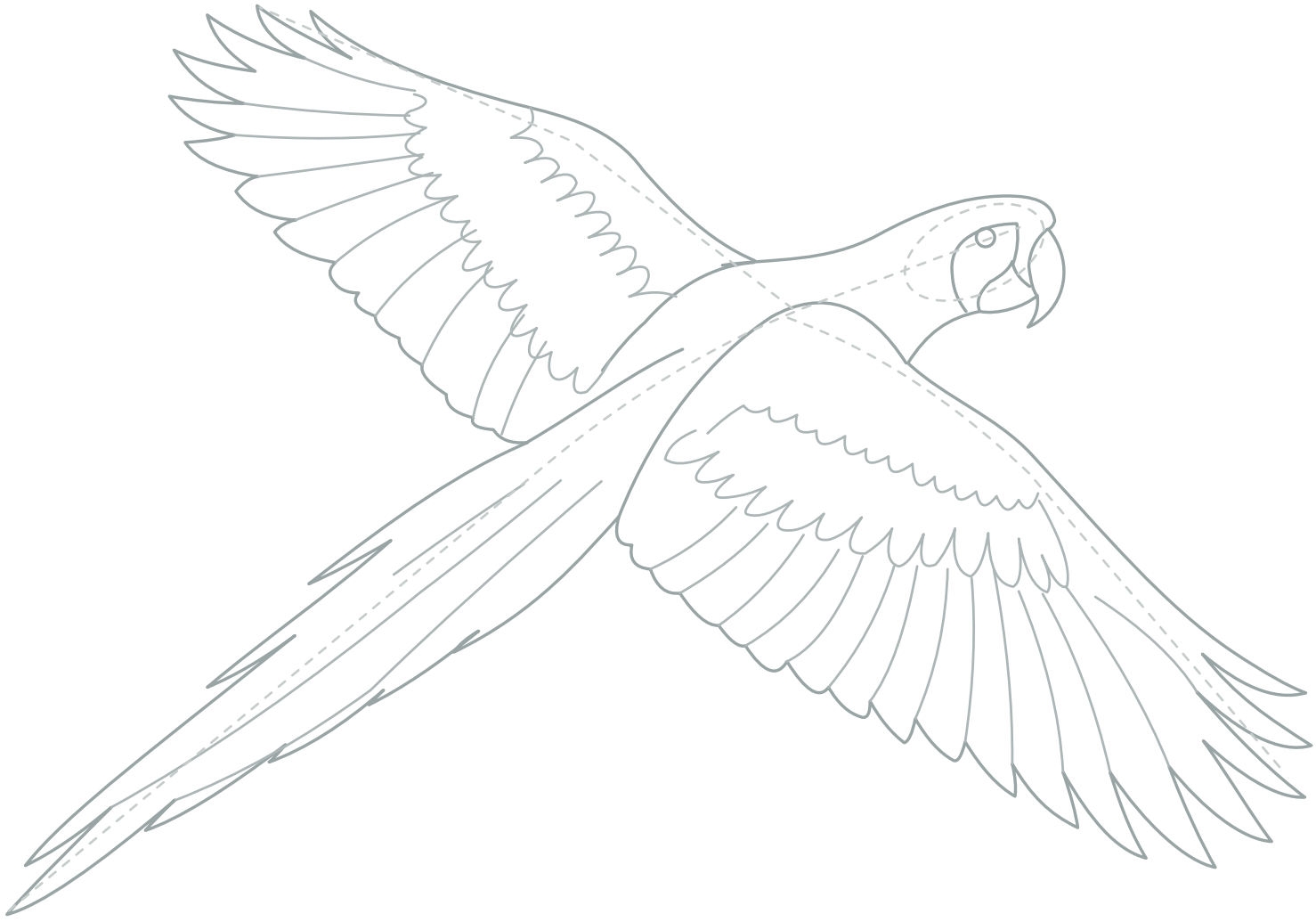
Advanced

Guided drawing

Spread wings, flight feathers and five pencil values

DRAW HERE

Draw over the pale lines.



FINISHED REFERENCE



PENCIL PRACTICE

1. Set the body direction, then connect each shoulder to its wing tip.
2. Mark the wing bends and fan the long flight feathers from each wing.
3. Group five pencil values before layering red, yellow and blue.

PENCIL TONES

Leave Paper white.

Paper | Light | Middle | Dark | Deepest

BEFORE YOU FINISH

Check the wing reach, feather overlap and depth of the shadows.

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Advanced

Draw with fewer guides

Spread wings, flight feathers and five pencil values

DRAW HERE

Start with the pale marks.



FINISHED REFERENCE



PENCIL PRACTICE

1. Use the marks to place the head, wing bends and tail tip.
2. Compare the two wing silhouettes. Add shorter and longer feather groups.
3. Keep the cheek and lit edges pale. Sharpen a few close feather tips.

PENCIL TONES

Leave Paper white.

Paper	Light	Middle	Dark	Deepest

BEFORE YOU FINISH

Check the wing reach, feather overlap and depth of the shadows.