



Spring Chicken

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Design inspired by Sandra Malone and Shara Reiner

As you can see, this is a really simple, great for beginners' pattern. It works up great on a Lazy Susan or a Round Basket Lid.. or take it apart and put in around a bucket, kitchen canister, or the back of a cast iron skillet!

I did quite a bit of 'lid painting' with this piece. Simply put, I did not even need to put the paint onto my palette, as so little was needed, I simply shook my paint well, took the lid off and dipped my brush or stylus into the lid!

I hope you find this pattern as cute as I do! Thank you for taking the time to paint with me 😊 Monica

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Antique Rose	Hauser Dk Green	Marigold
Bleached Sand	Hauser Lt Green	Ocean Blue
Blue Haven	Hauser Med Green	Orchid
Burnt Umber	Jewel Green	Periwinkle
Country Red	Lamp Black	Sour Apple
Electric Pink	Magenta	Warm White
Golden Yellow		

Brushes

¾" Flat, #4 & #2 Rounds, #2 Flat, 20/0 Liner, Small Drybrush

Stylus	Identipen	Circle Stencil to fit your inner Star Circle
Chalk Pencil		Small Check Stencil

Basecoat your surface in Black

Place your line drawing, basic shapes only;

Chicken, Stars, Leaves

Sketch large circle around chicken and dashed circle edging

Basecoat your Stars with Bleached Sand

Basecoat your Chicken with Warm White

Basecoat your Leaves with Hauser Medium Green



Basecoat the Comb and Wattle of the chicken with Country Red
Basecoat the Legs and Beak with Marigold

Starting from the Middle of the project.

Spring Chicken:

Make sure that your Basecoats are solid and dry on your Chicken.

When that is done, add your color of Ocean Blue just before the wing. This may take 2 or 3 coats to be solid, be sure to let dry in between applications.

Add highlights to the top of the Comb and the outer edge of the Wattle with a float of Electric Pink

Add Shade float of Burnt Umber on the legs, under the belly and where the back leg is under the front leg. (*I started to say right leg is under the left leg, but that is the legs of the chicken, not as you are looking at it, so it even confused me! That is NOT good!*) And a small float of Burnt Umber where the beak meets the face.

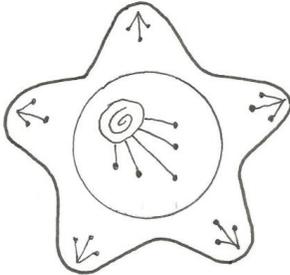
Also, with Burnt Umber, Float all around the top and bottom of the wing. This should be a soft float. Don't make it too harsh.

With a small drybrush of Antique Rose, add a bit of blush to the cheek area as shown in photo.

With your stylus, or bottom end of paintbrush, add dots of either Lamp Black or Warm White to your Chicken's body. Opposite colors to your basecoat. We want to be able to see them!

Finish with a Lamp Black dot for the eye. (Liner work is last, but not least!)

STARS:



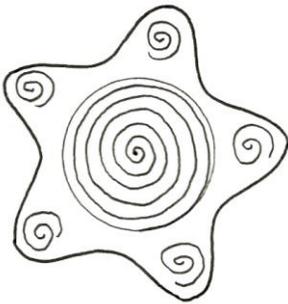
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Circle: Antique Rose

Small Inside Circle: Bleached Sand then Electric Pink

Linework: Warm White

Dots on end: Warm White

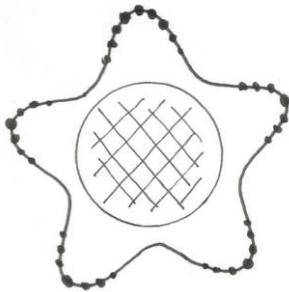


Basecoat: Ocean Blue

Circle: Blue Haven

Circle Swirl: Ocean Blue

Corner Swirls: Blue Haven

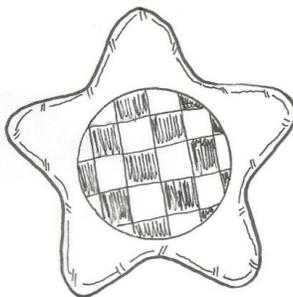


Basecoat: Magenta

Circle: Orchid

Circle Hashmarks: Magenta

Dots: Orchid

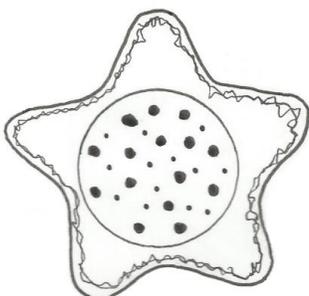


Basecoat: Golden Yellow

Circle: Periwinkle

Checks: Lamp Black

Linework: Lamp Black



Basecoat: Sour Apple

Circle: Jewel Green

Dots: Marigold

Linework: Jewel Green

LEAVES:

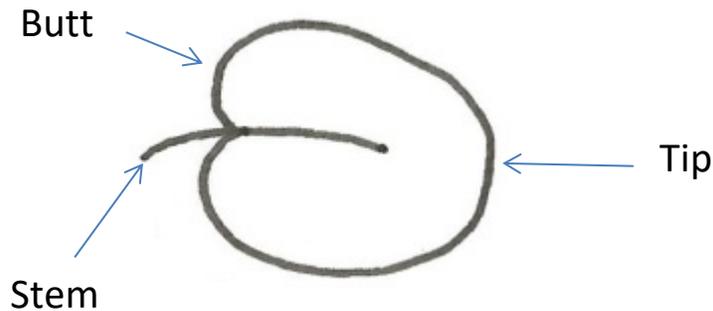
I think you can see that all the leaves are the same..

Basecoat with Hauser Medium Green

Float a soft shade of Hauser Dark Green around the butt of the leaf and under the stem

Float a small soft highlight of Hauser Light Green on top of the stem and just around the tip of the leaf.

With your liner and Hauser Dark Green, line in a stem line. Since you can't really see it on the Black background you may want to add a thin line of Hauser Medium just on top of the Dark Green line.



Outer Hash Marks – Warm White with #2 Flat or small round flattened
Inside ZigZag – Ocean Blue and Warm White #2 Flat or small round flattened.

Outside Edge – Ocean Blue

3 DipDots inside by Chicken Warm White

Lines around Chicken – Lamp Black and 20/0 Liner or Small End of Identipen.

Make sure all of your lines and dots are dry. Sign and varnish!

Enjoy!

