imagination is a career.



what is Stellantis?

































These are the brands that make up Stellantis

who is Stellantis?

Our designers come together from diverse backgrounds & skill sets to create new products. These are some key departments:

interior design



exterior design



color & materials



clay sculpting



user experience



Interior Design!



meet Ryan

As an interior designer, Ryan spends his time designing the look and feel of vehicle interiors. He focuses on how key features like the instrument panel, center console, seats, and doors contribute to the sensation of driving the vehicle.

Exterior Design!



meet Taylor

As an exterior designer, Taylor sketches cars. When a new project comes up, his team gathers inspirational images, then splits up to sketch their ideas. From there it's a friendly competition to see whose ideas will make it all the way to the show floor.

Color & Materials!



meet La Shirl

As director of the color & materials studio, La Shirl's team is responsible for all of the materials that you can see and touch on the vehicle. This includes exterior colors & wheel finishes, and interior materials on seats, doors, and steering wheels.

Clay Sculpting!



meet Michelle

As a clay sculptor, Michelle works closely with interior and exterior designers like Ryan and Taylor. She brings 2D drawings to life by sculpting full-scale clay models. This allows the design team to see & edit the final design before it's ready for the road.

User Experience!



meet Emilio

As a UX designer, Emilio works to make sure that the in-vehicle experience is as good as it can be for users, especially when it comes to the screens that drivers and passengers interact with. He works directly with consumers to test, refine & validate his designs.

our vision

As technology advances, the demand for creative minds will continue to grow. At Stellantis we believe that cultivating creativity is one of the most important things we can do to ensure a future full of successful, fearless thinkers.



let's see design in action

designing the future: Portal



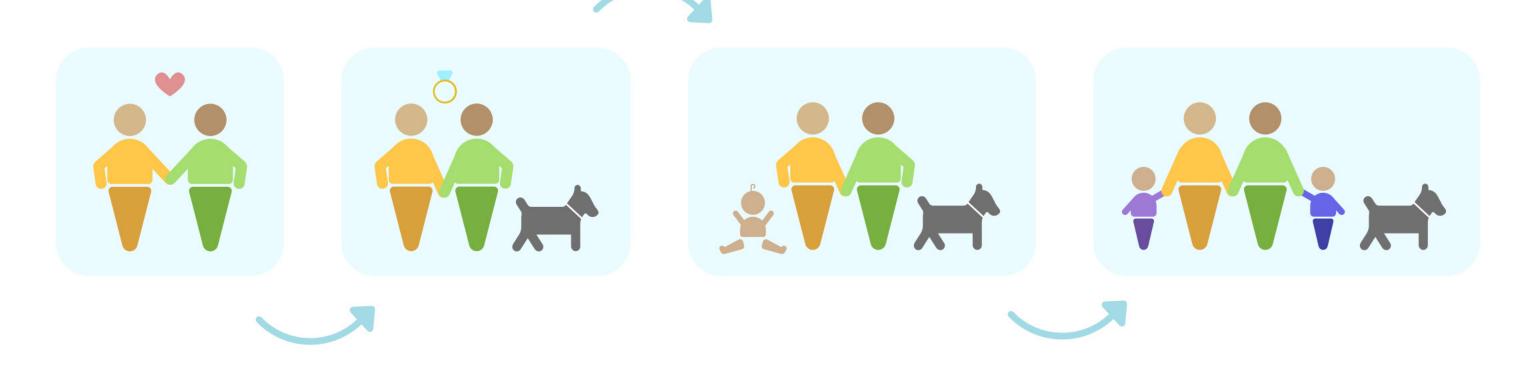
Portal is a concept car created by Stellantis' design team. It utilizes new technology and clever design to fit the rapidly changing needs of

Project brief: What does the self-driving car of the future look like?

1. discover & define

At the beginning, Portal designers learned about the challenges that young adults face as their lives change rapidly from one stage to the next.

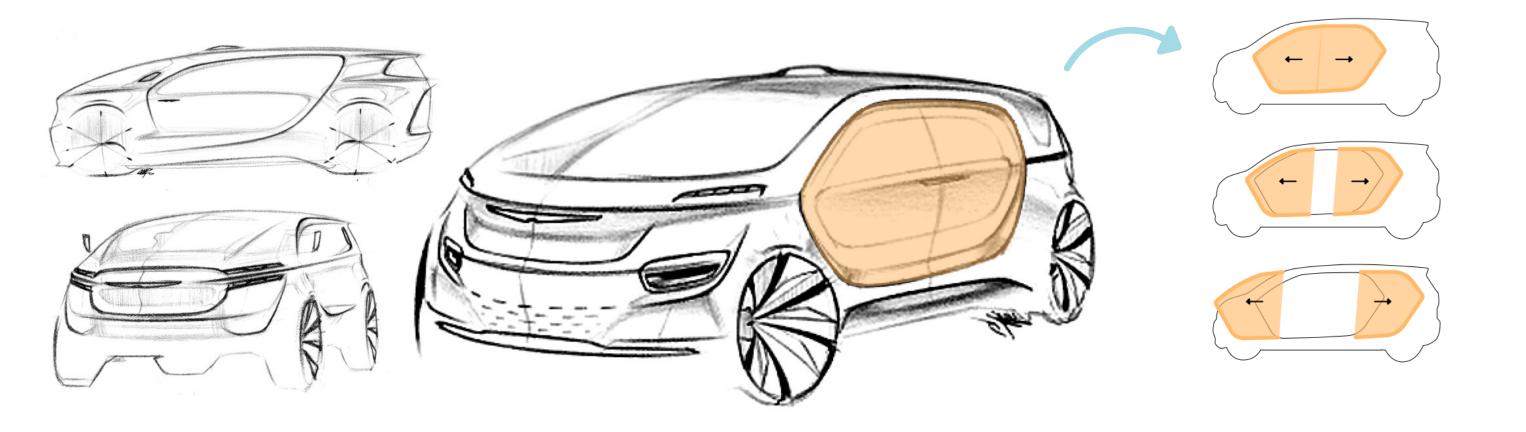
This discovery drove the design of the vehicle!



2. exterior design

Exterior designers gave the vehicle a rounded, family-friendly form. They also designed the signature "Portal" doors, which open away from each other to make a single large entry.

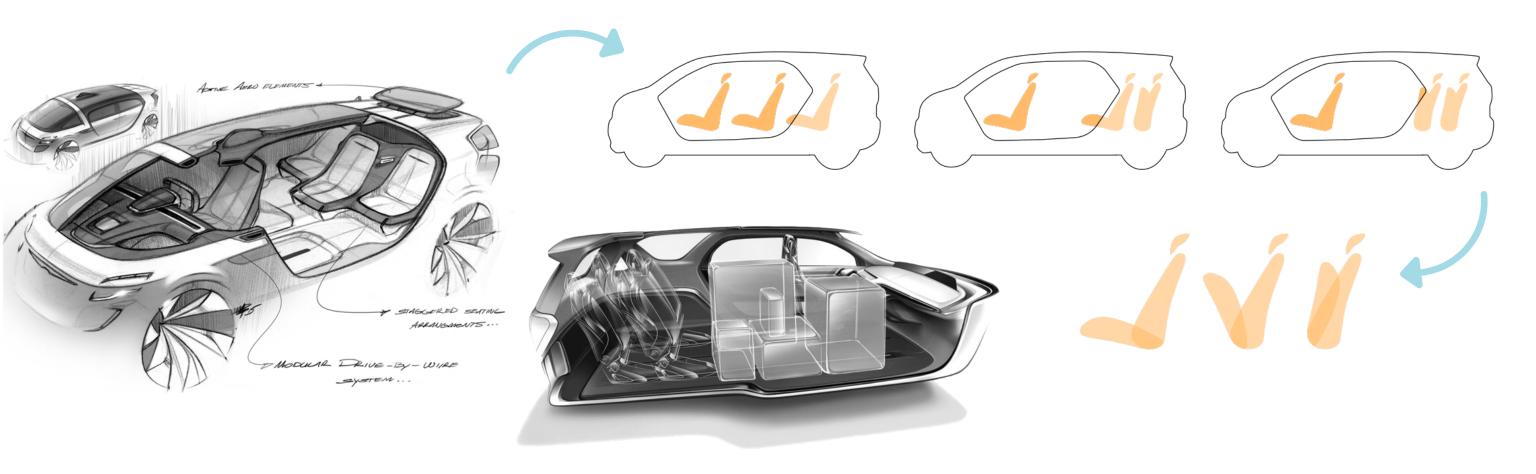
"Portal" doors for easier access!



3. interior design

Interior designers maximized flexibility in Portal's interior by designing a reconfigurable seating pattern.

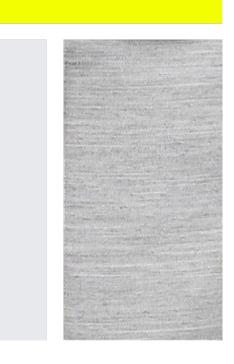
Seats fold & slide to transform the space!

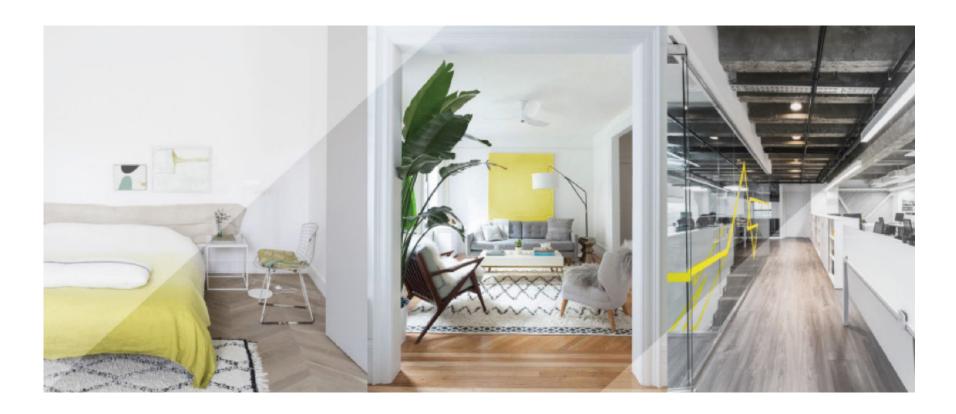


4. color & materials

The color & materials team wanted Portal to have a living room feel. They chose warm neutrals to make the space cozy, but accented them with a bright chartreuse to symbolize the vehicle's electrification.

Inspiration images!





5. prototyping

During the prototyping stage, designers work closely with clay & digital modelers to turn their 2D sketches into 3D forms.



Physical!

Digital!

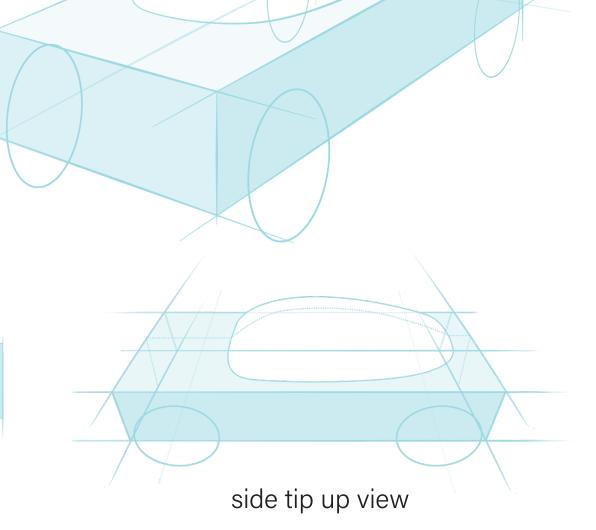


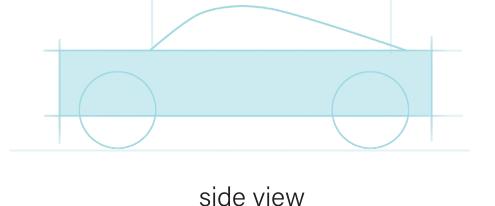
now let's try sketching

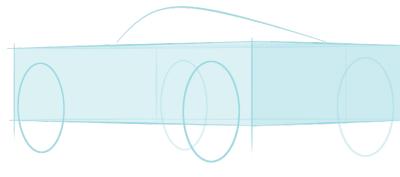
setting up perspective

3/4 tip up view

The simplest way to sketch a car is by starting with a box. These are some of the most common views for exterior designers to draw. Our Portal sketch will use a 3/4 tip up view.

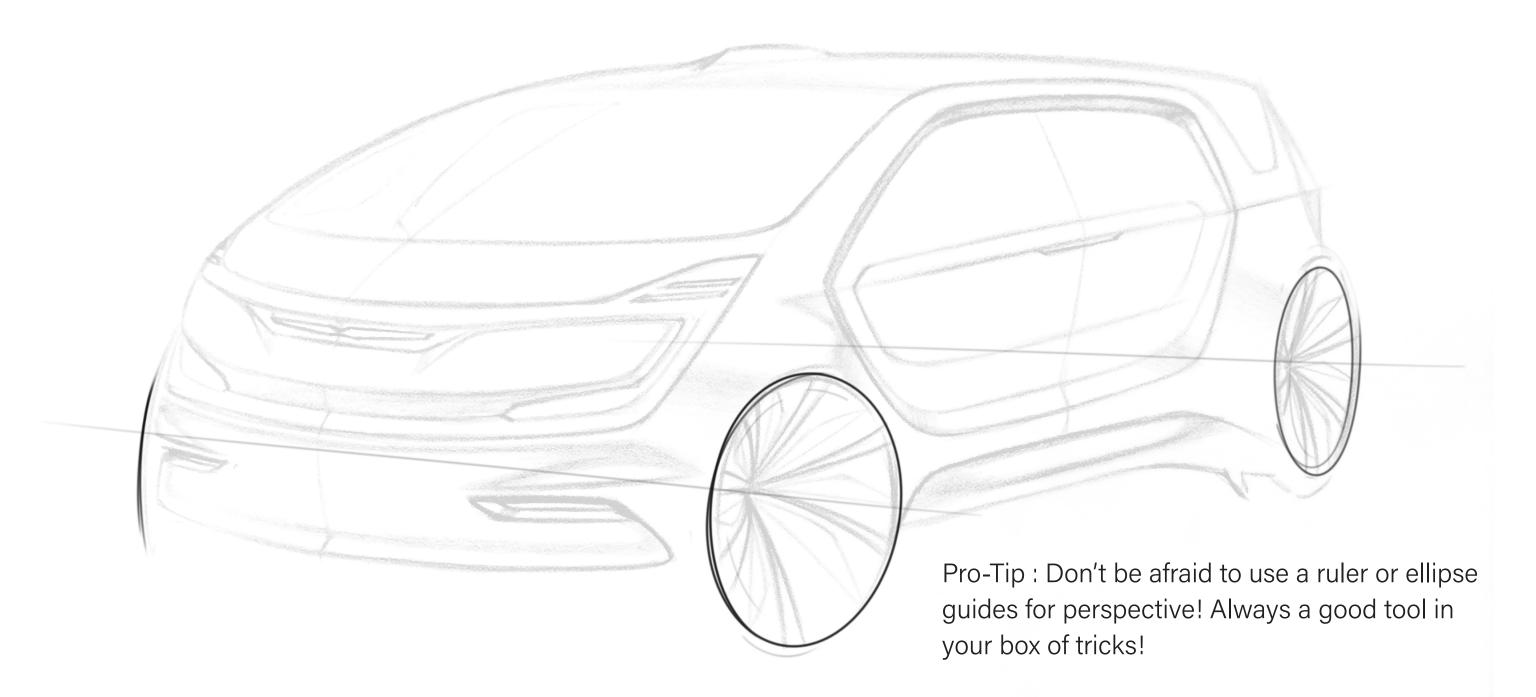




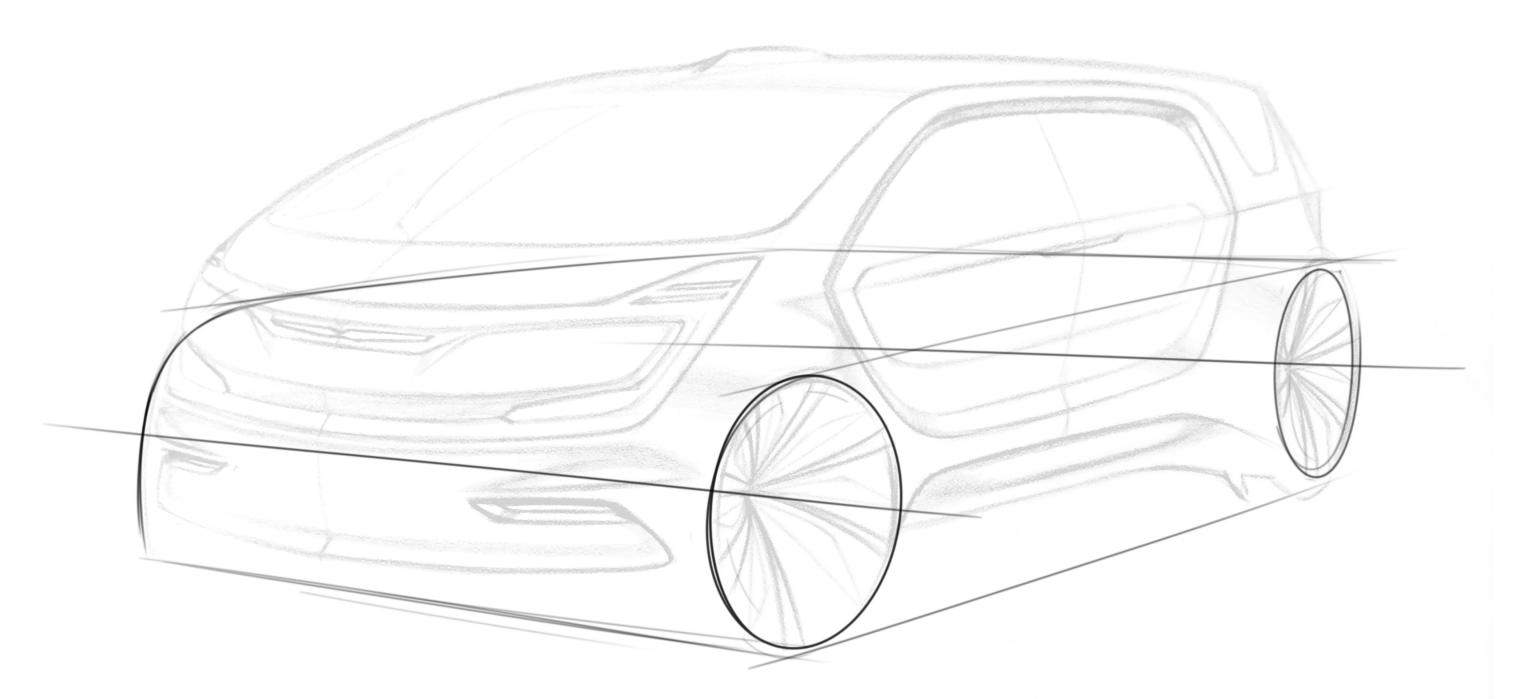


step 1

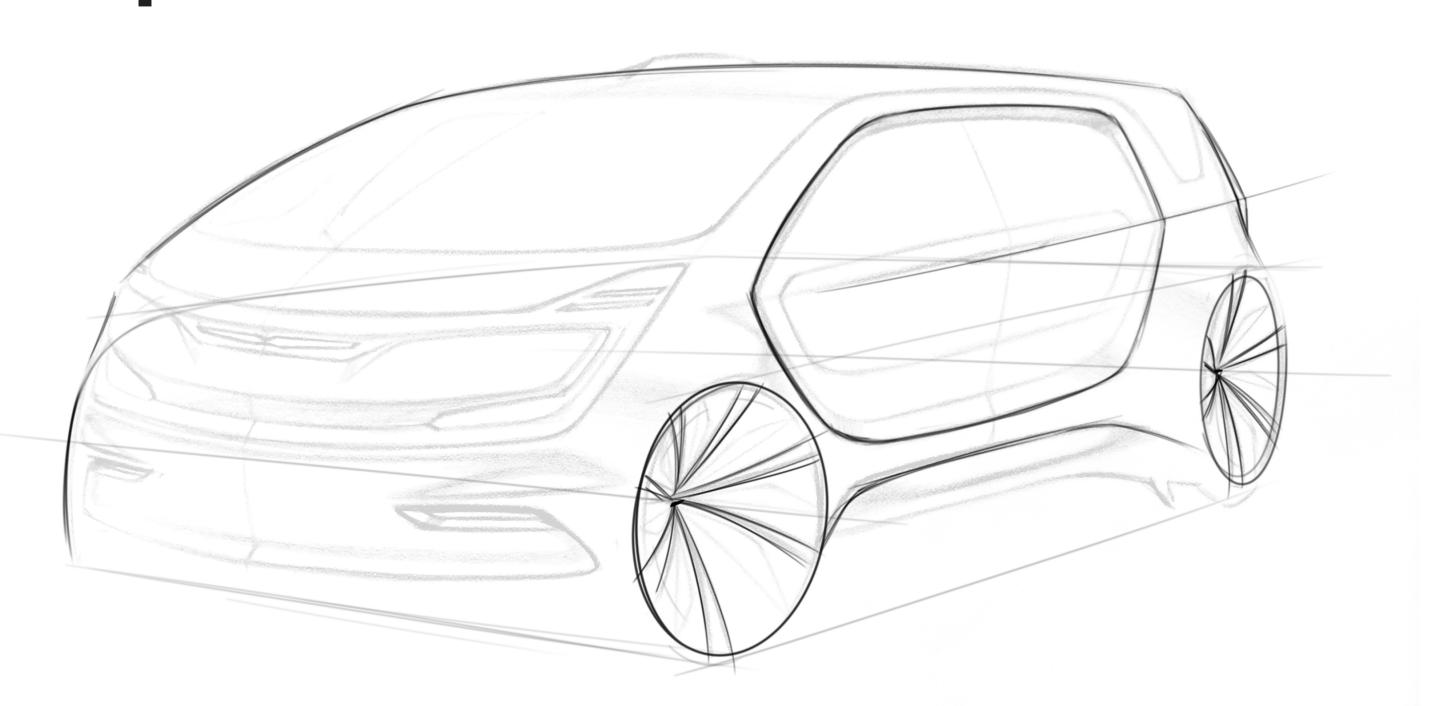
Establish your perspective for reference by drawing axles and wheels of the car.



Step 2 Set up the perspective "foundation" for the rest of the sketch by drawing through the car.

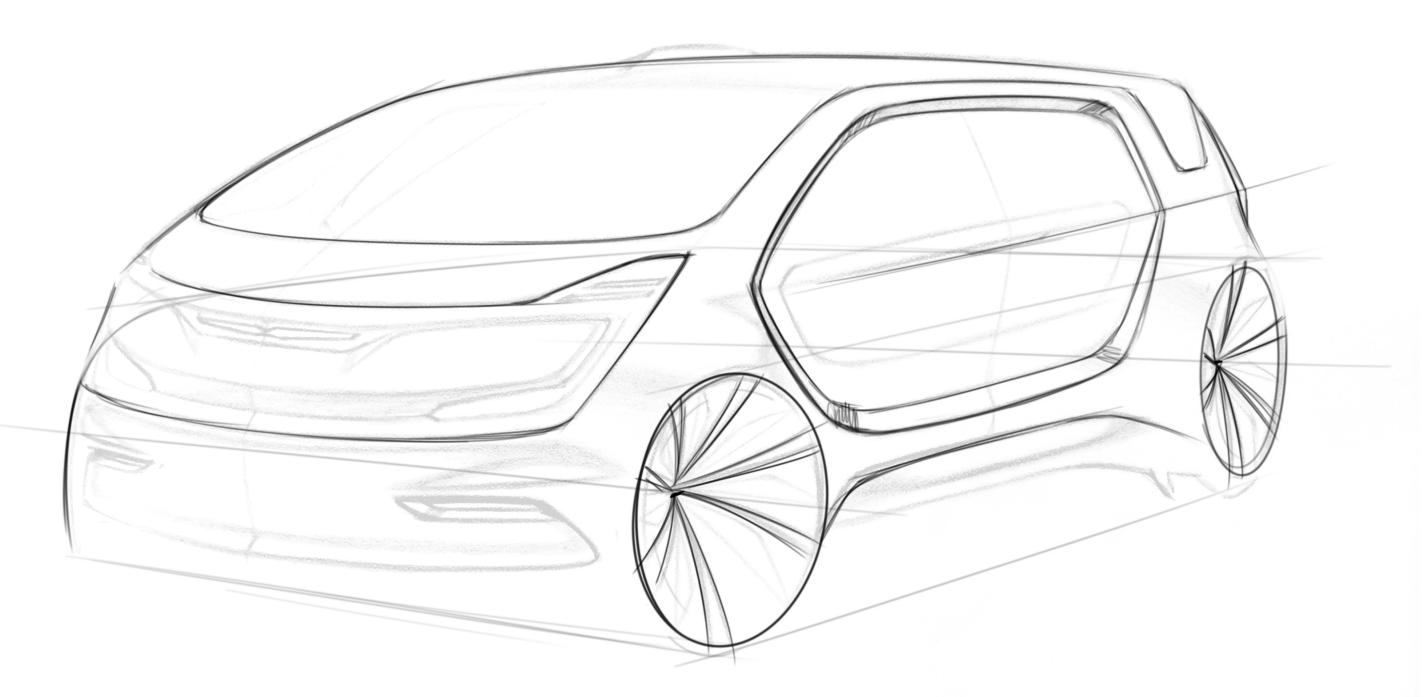


Add wheel detail and sketch the outline of Portal connecting the front **Step 3**Add wheel detail and sketch the outline of Portal c to the rear. Conclude step by drawing door shape.

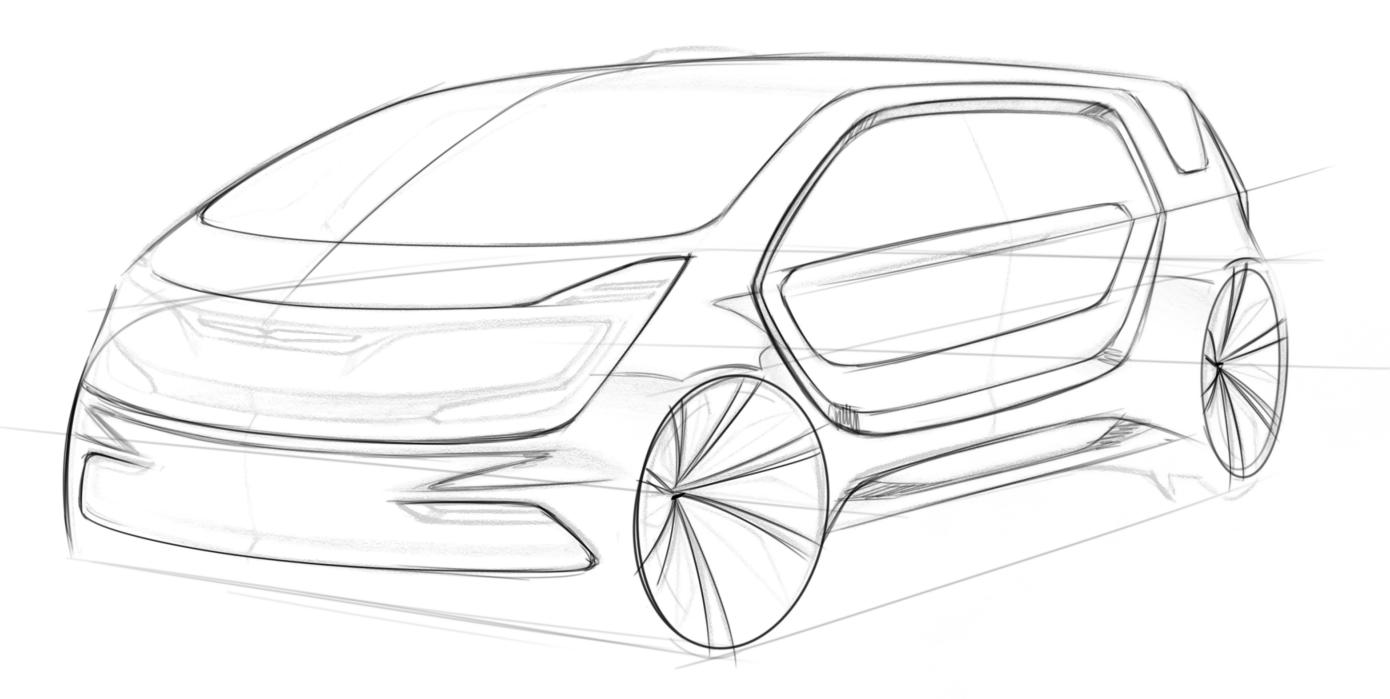


step 4

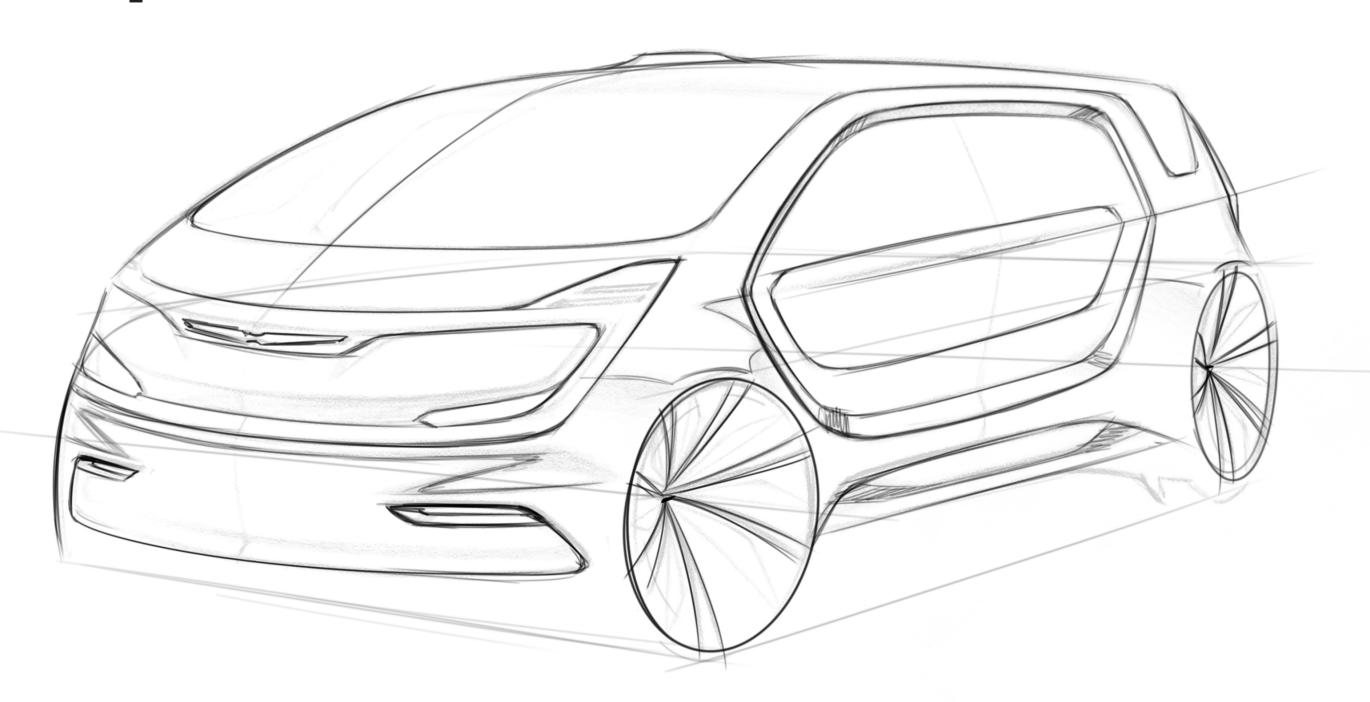
Now that the building blocks are in place, use your Perspective reference lines and begin drawing the rest of the elements around the car.



Continue sketching, adding more descriptive shapes and sculpture **Step 5**Continue sketching, adding you intend to communicate.



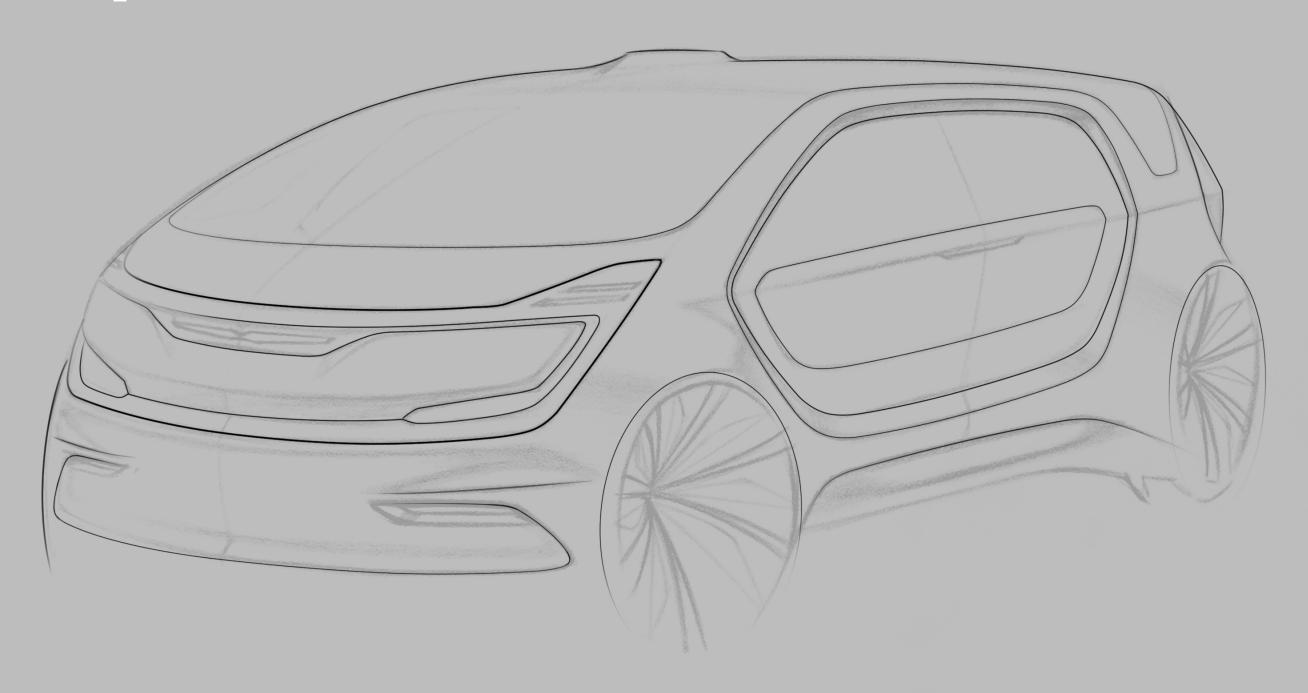
Step 6 Finish the sketch off with a little bit more detail in the front! Add the headlamp details and the Chrysler "wing badge".



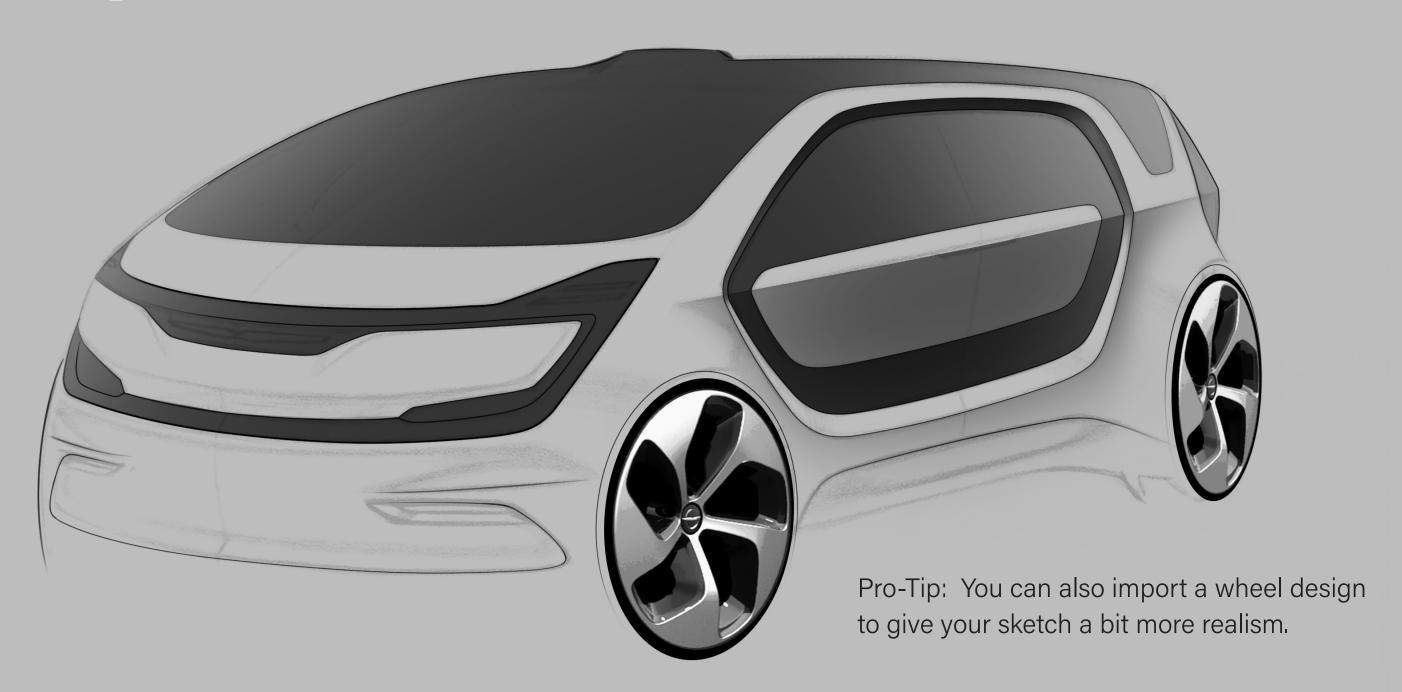
have photoshop? let's render.

step 1

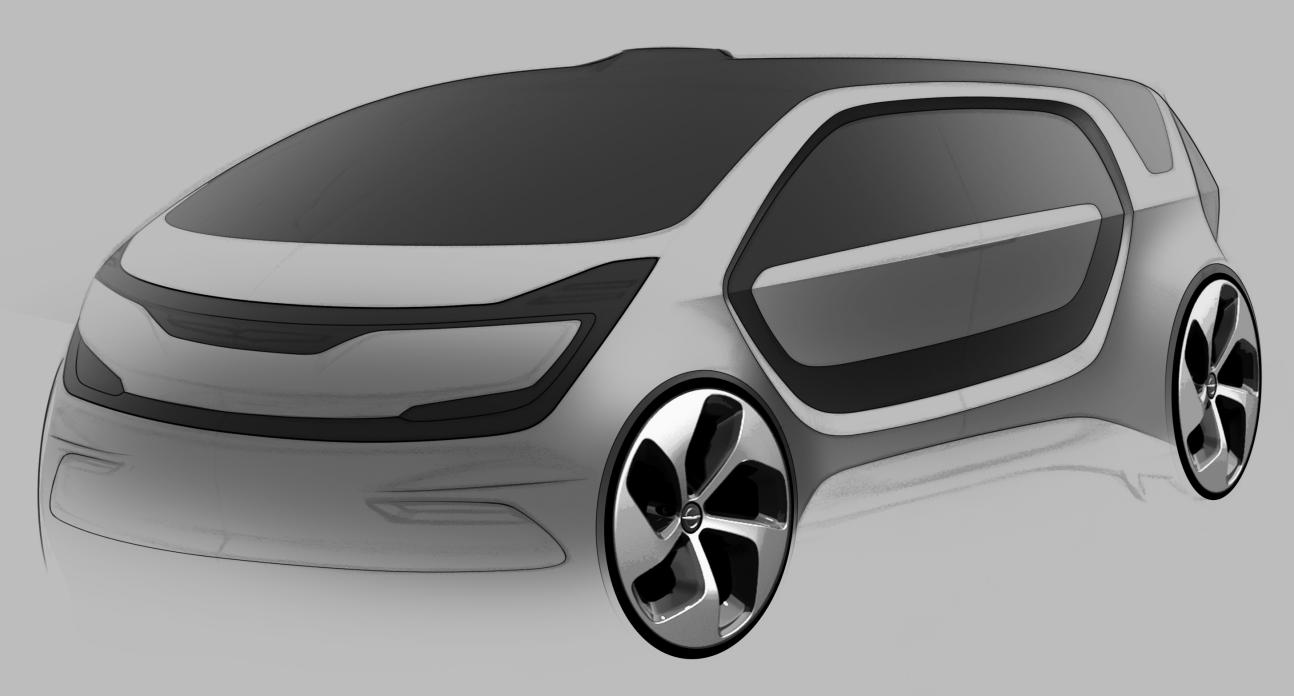
Using Photoshop, create paths that outline the vehicle's key shapes and design features. Photoshop > Path Tool



Step 2 Begin rendering by darkening the windows, wheels and front end. (Glass, Cores, and Surface). Photoshop > Brush Tool



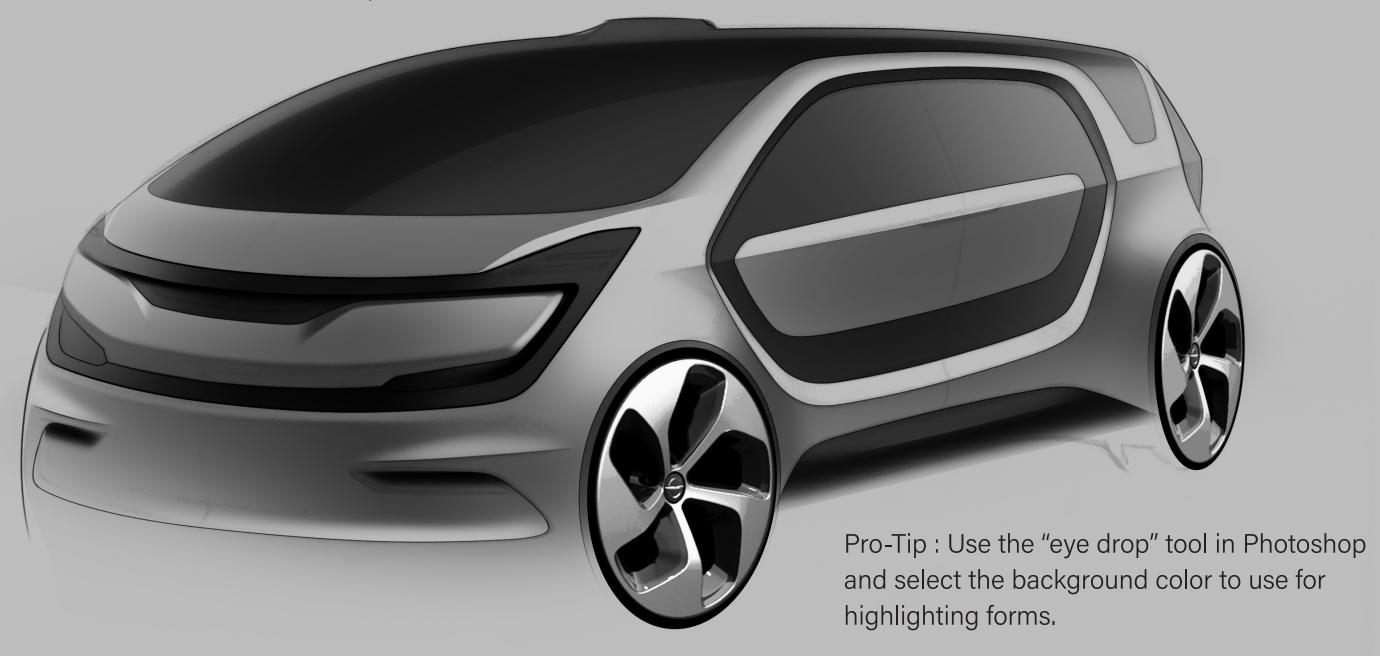
Step 3 Continue rendering by adding dark shades to create volume & shape in the body. Photoshop > Brush Tool > Soft



step 4

Use the brush tool in combination with the eraser tool to add more definition and sculpture. Use your paths to create sharp definition.

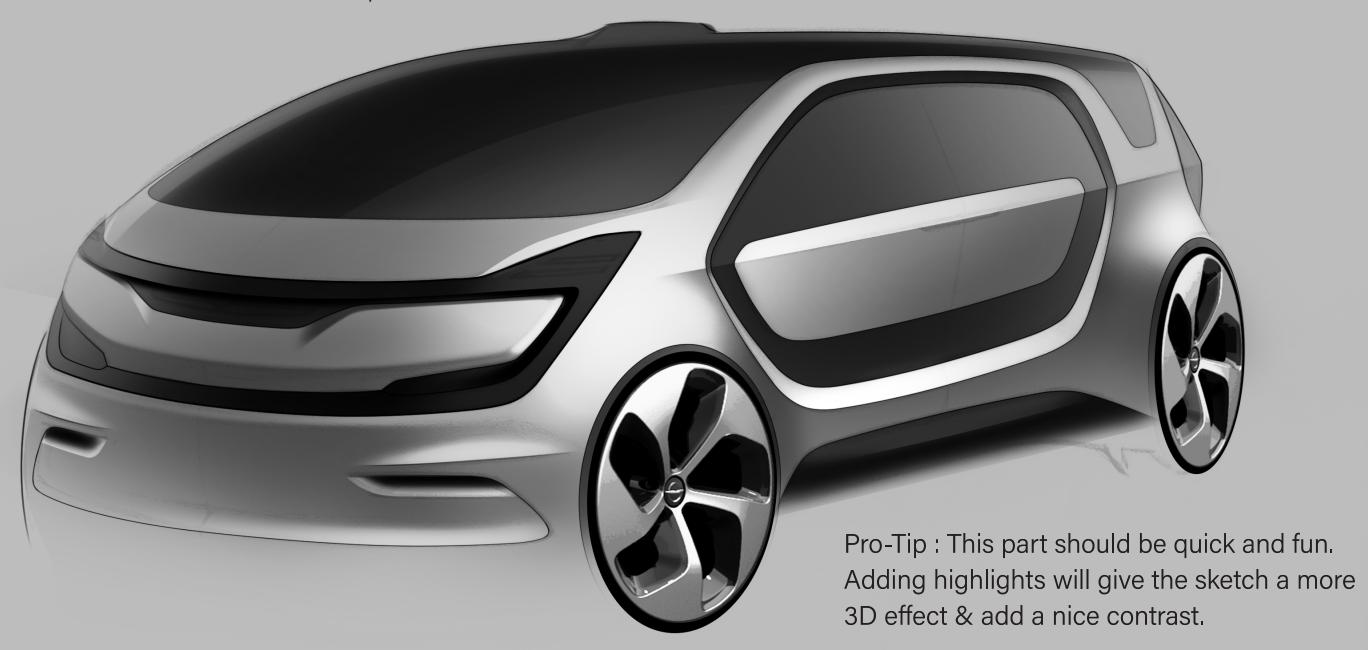
Photoshop > Brush Tool



step 5

Use the color white and a layer overlay to softly brush highlights on the front corner & door shape to give your sketch focus.

Photoshop > Brush Tool > Soft



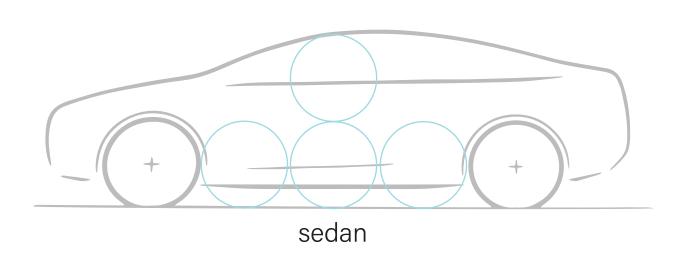
Step 6 Next let's add a background & shadow for a stronger 3D effect and more drama. Photoshop > Pen Tool > Lasso Tool > Paint Bucket Tool > Eraser Tool

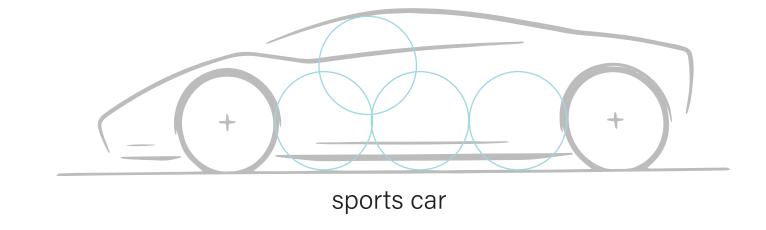


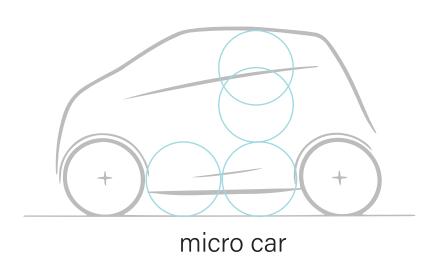
now try your own exterior design

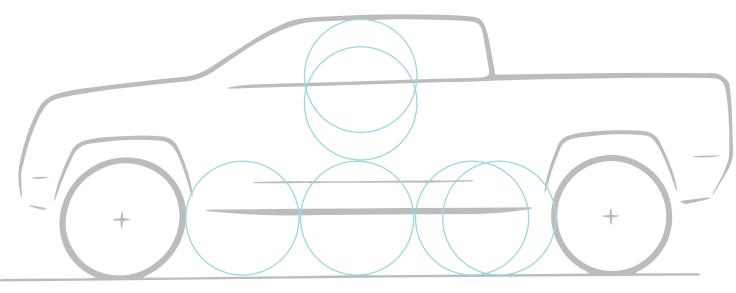
proportions

Use this proportion guide to make your vehicle's ratio between height & length look accurate.





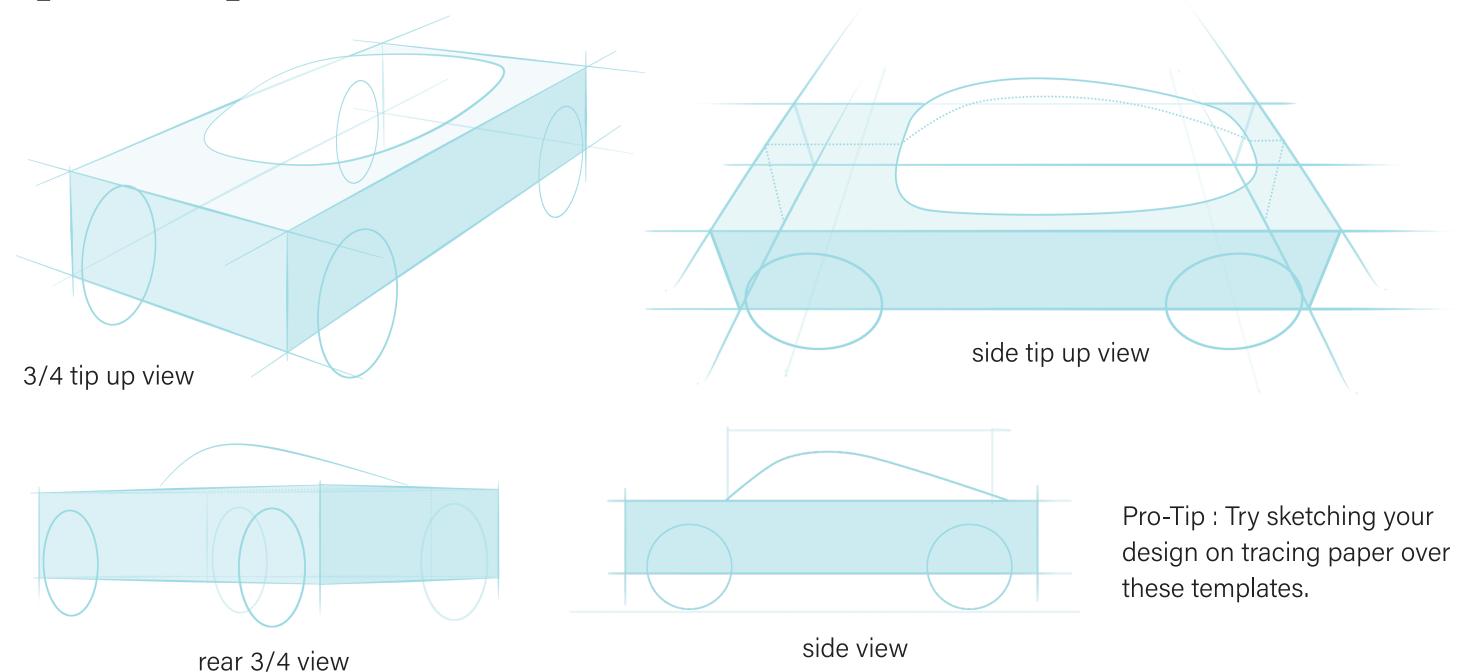




pick-up truck

perspective box

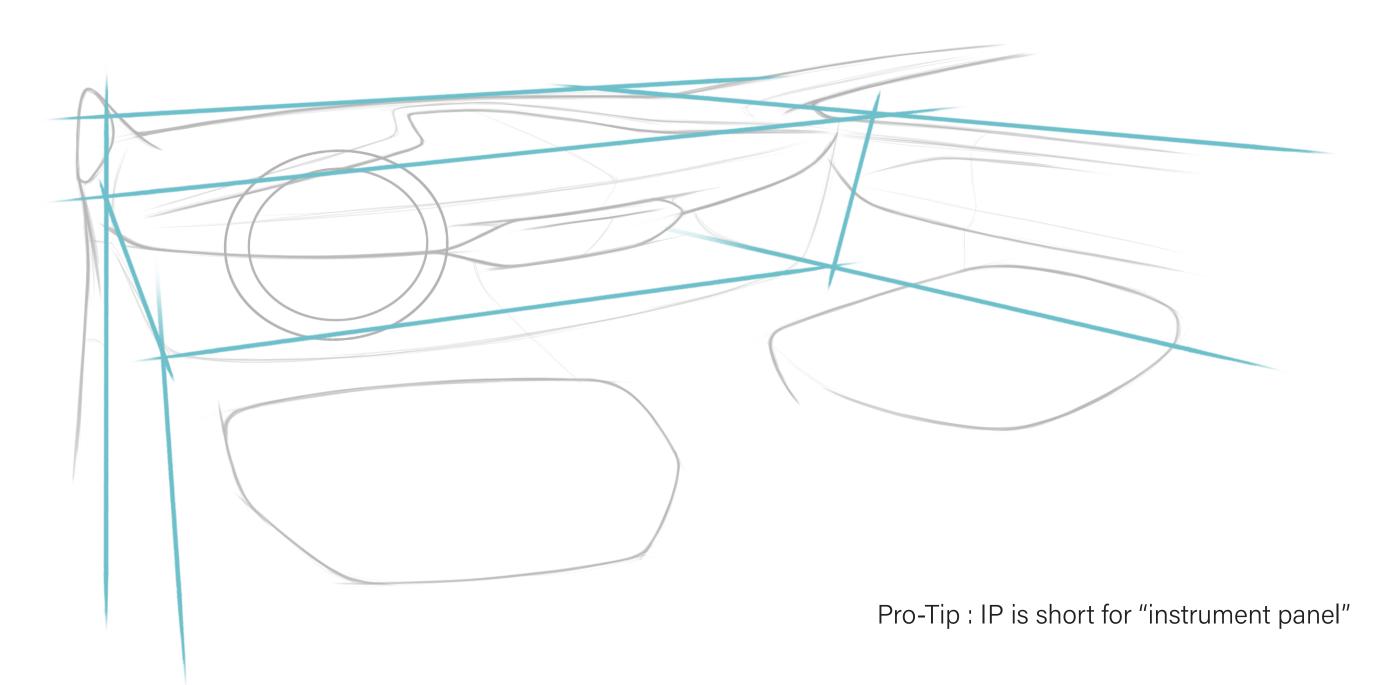
Set up your sketch by choosing a perspective. Sketch a box and add ellipses for wheels.



what about interior design?

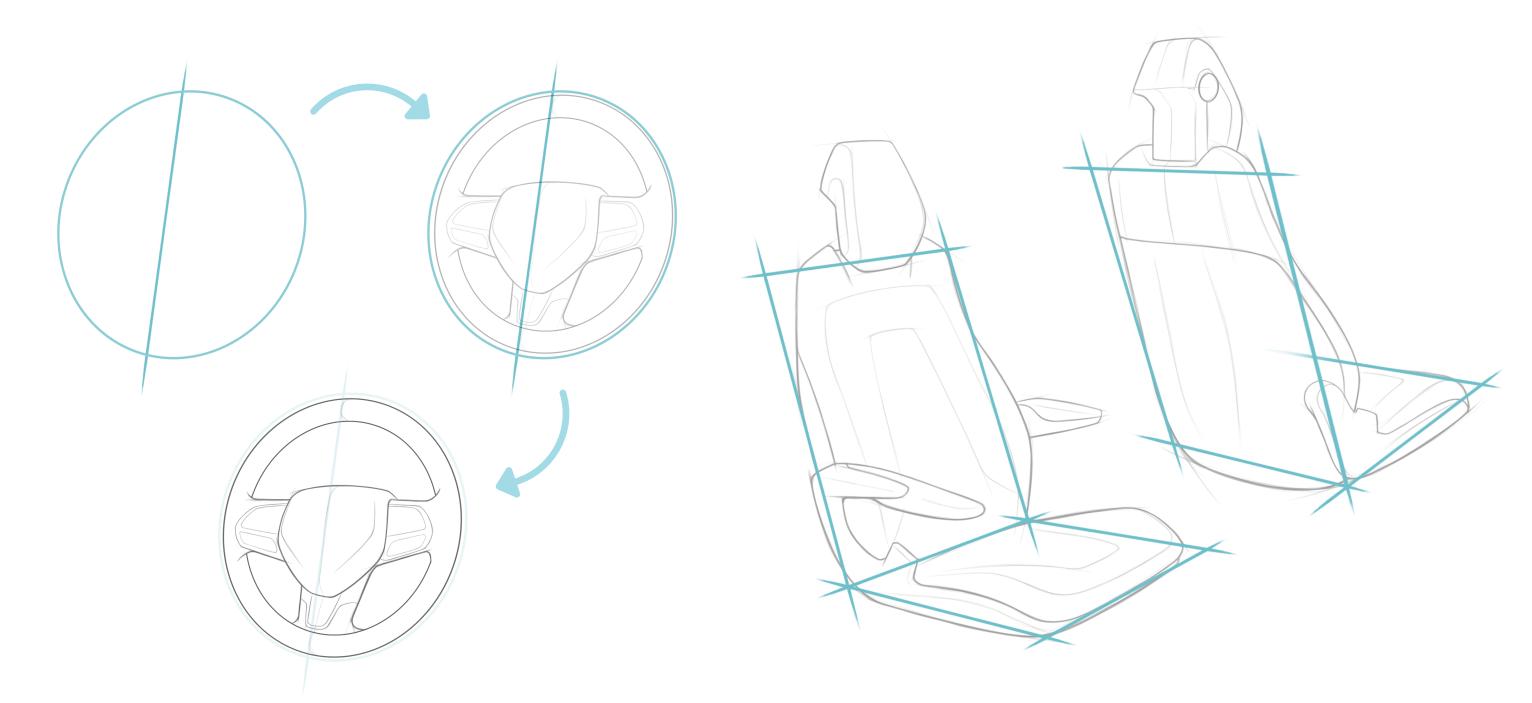
perspective box

This perspective allows you to sketch an interior & highlight the instrument panel, console, and doors



key features

The unique design of a vehicle's steering wheel & seat add to the overall feel & utility of the vehicle



design process

We also call this iterative design. The idea is that each time we repeat this process, our designs get better and better.

discover

Start user research, learn about similar products, and study current trends.

define

Analyze your research and define the problem you want to solve.

design

Sketch out your ideas! Start broad, then focus in on the details. Pick the right aesthetic.

prototype

Build a model! Start with rough, inexpensive materials, you can add details later.

test

Get the model in front of your users. See how they use it & how it can be improved.

repeat

Continue to research & refine your ideas until they're right for your user.

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Stellantis recruited design schools

Academy of Art University

BFA | Industrial Design San Fransisco, CA

ArtCenter College of Design

BS | Transportation Design Pasadena, CA

Carnegie Mellon University

BDes | Product Design Pittsburgh, PA

Cleveland Institute of Art

BFA | Industrial Design Cleveland, OH

College for Creative Studies

BFA | Transportation Design Detroit, MI

College for Creative Studies

Certificate | Clay Modeling Detroit, MI

Lawrence Technological University

BS | Transportation Design Southfield, MI

University of Cincinnati

BS | Industrial Design Cincinnati, OH

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