Ali's Stickman "Recipe" – How to Draw Stick Figures (Step by Step)

It sounds so simple because it is!
A stick figure is made up of a few simple marks.

**First the ‘head and upper body’ section**

You will need:

- a circle for the head
- a long, vertical line for the neck and spine
- 2 shorter, horizontal lines for the shoulder girdle and hip girdle respectively

This is all for the head and torso
Now for the legs

You will need:

• 2 x 2 short, equal vertical lines (one for the thigh, one for the shin)
• 2 ovals for the feet
And finally the arms

You will need:

- 2 x 2 short, equal (almost) vertical lines (one for the upper arm, one for the forearm)
- 2 ovals for the hands.

vertical lines (well, almost!)

This is for the arms
What about joining them all together?

Putting it all together is what counts, because you need to make use of some strategic joints in the body. Certain joints are the difference between a Stickman who tumbles and leaps, and one who remains rooted in one spot.

**You will need:**

- 12 tiny circles (to represent the shoulder, elbow and wrist; hip, knee and ankle joints)

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**Now it’s time to draw your own**

This is what a ‘standard’ height stickman will look like once you’ve put all the body parts together and used the 12 tiny circles to indicate the strategic joints:
There’s so much MORE you can do with a Stickman

You can:

• change its age by varying its leg and head sizes
• make it dance and leap by changing poses
• add clothes and turn it into a cartoon character.

Here are two things you can do IMMEDIATELY

1. Mail me on alison@alisonbeere.com if you want me to explain anything, or add something extra to the book.
2. Go to http://alisonbeere.com/welcome-stickman-recipe-step-step-reader/ to access free video demonstrations to help take you from drawing simple Stickmen to Cartooning

I’d love to hear from you soon.

Till then, keep things Stick-y!

Alison