# Chameleon Activities

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## INTERNATIONAL CHAMELEON DAY

# Activities

- Cardboard Chameleon Craft
- Color Pages
- How to Draw a Chameleon
- Make a Chameleon Mask
- Make Me a Match

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Here's to celebrating chameleons! Wildlife Madagascar and our many partner organizations are establishing May 9 as a dedicated day each year to appreciate and raise awareness about chameleons and their habitats. In honor of these amazing lizards, we have developed materials that you can use and share for your own chameleon celebration, including fact sheets, activities, and puzzles.

Help spread the word on social media, too, and use the hastags:
**#chameleonday #showyourcolors #internationalchameleonday**

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# Chameleon Cardboard Craft

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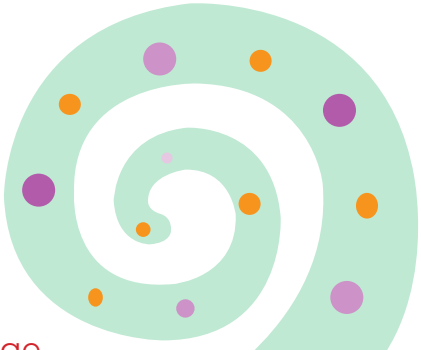
## Let's Get Crafty

### What you need:

- Small cardboard tube (craft or toilet paper roll)
- Colored construction paper
- Coloring markers or crayons
- Scissors
- Clear tape and/or glue stick
- Ribbon (2-3")
- Googly eyes (2)

### What you do:

1. Print out the template*.
2. Color the template pieces whatever chameleon colors you like—look at some chameleon photos for inspiration!
3. Cut out the pieces on the template.
4. Wrap tube with construction paper (use any color you like).
5. Find the circle shaped piece. Tape or glue it to the back of tube to cover the opening.
6. Find the piece with the four legs. Tape or glue the legs section to the bottom of the tube.
7. Glue the googly eyes to your chameleon's head and draw on the smile.
8. Fold the head at the fold line. Connect the top of the head together and glue to the top of the tube.
9. Find the chameleon's crest. Fold it and then glue to top of the tube.
10. Time to make the tongue! You might need an adult's help to use scissors to curl the ribbon, then glue to the mouth.



*See template next page

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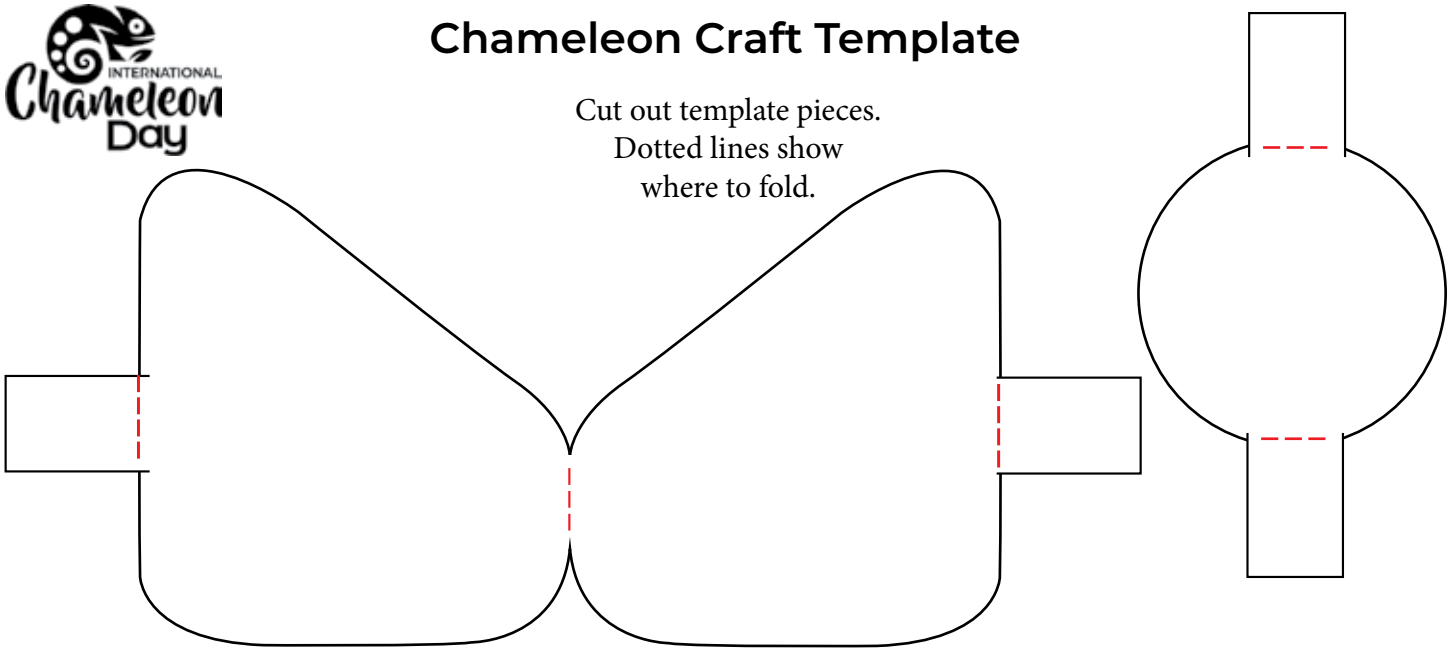
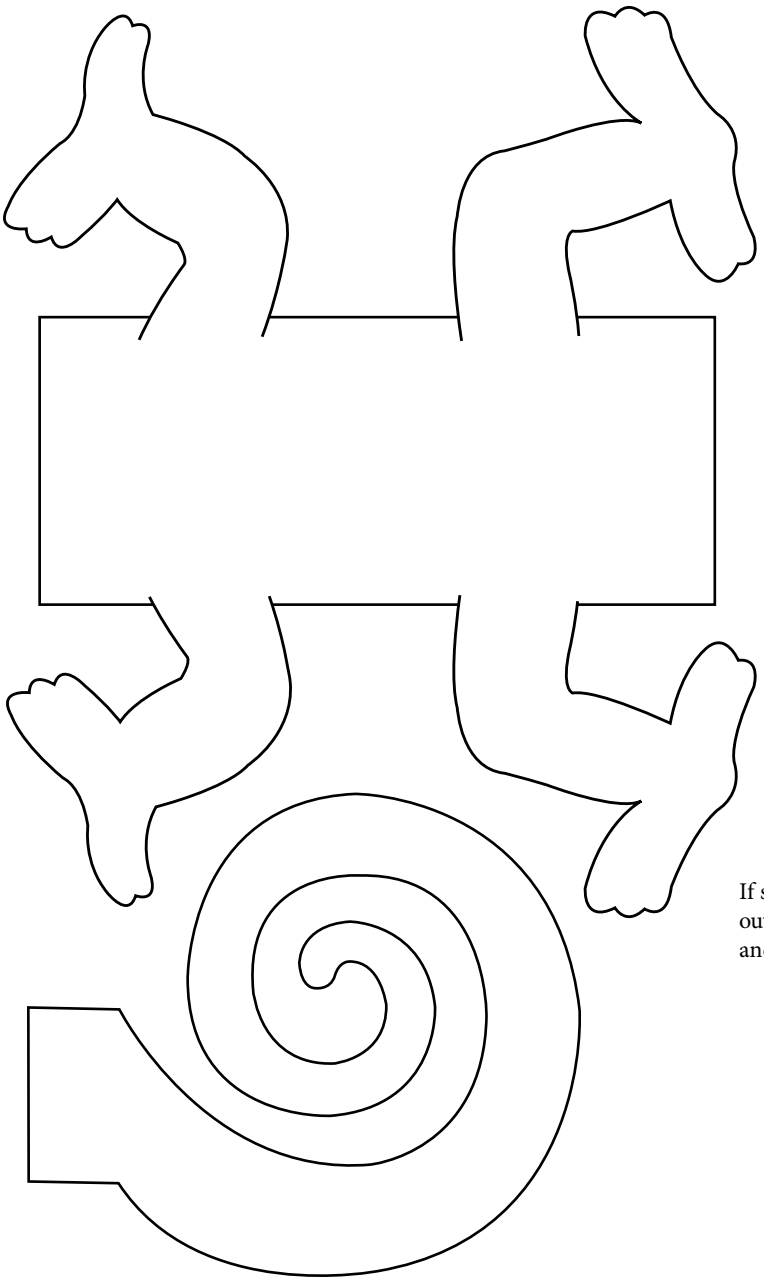
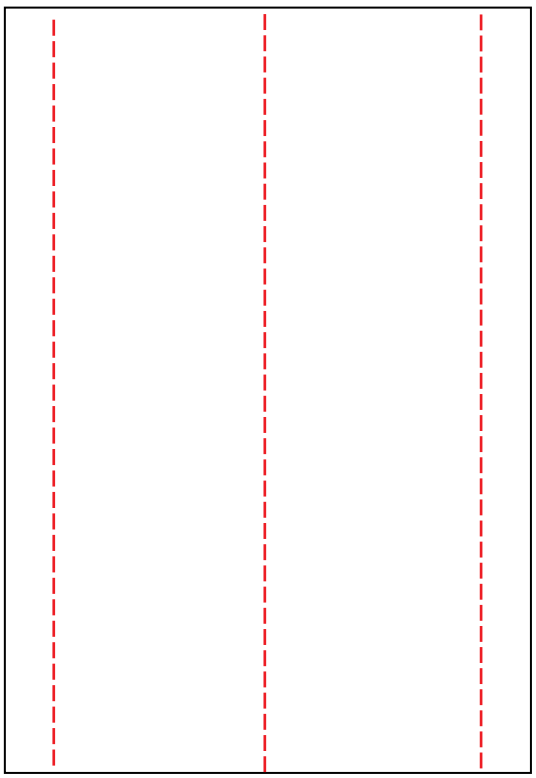
# Chameleon Craft Template

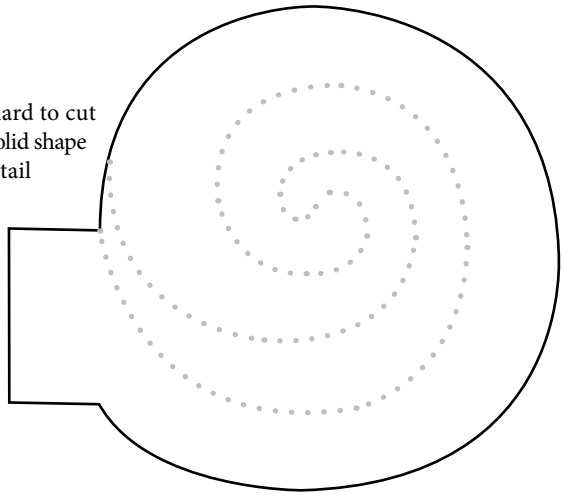
Cut out template pieces.
Dotted lines show
where to fold.







If swirl too hard to cut out, cut out solid shape and color in tail



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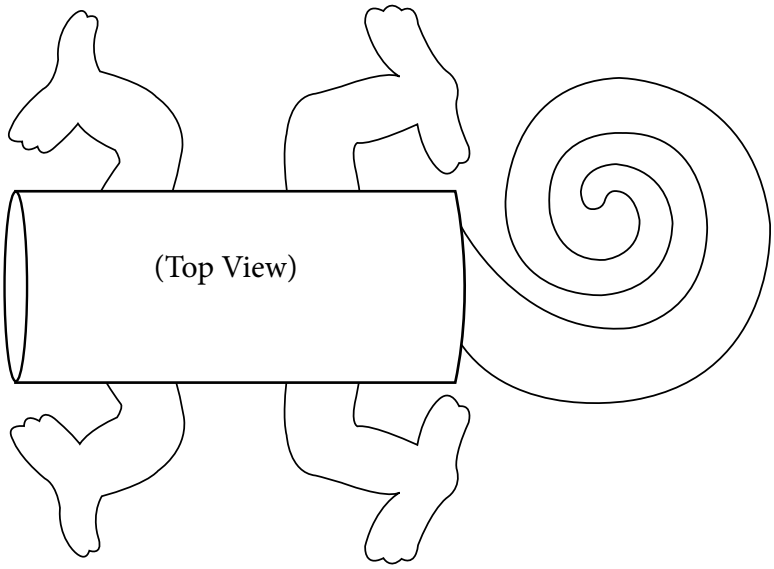
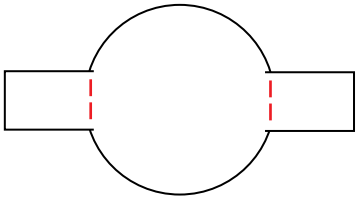
# Chameleon Craft Instructions

Attach tube to feet and tail. (Will be flat on the surface under tube)



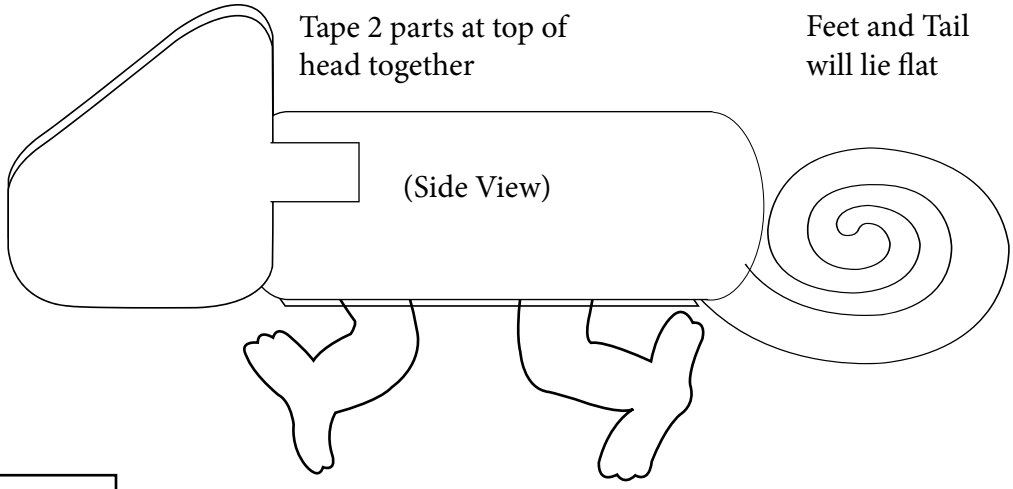

Attach circle to back of tube

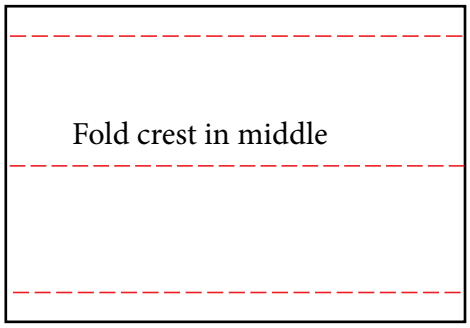


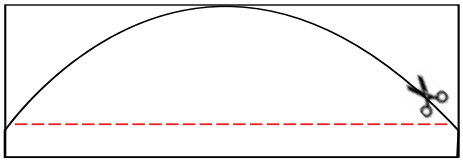
Tape 2 parts at top of head together

Feet and Tail will lie flat

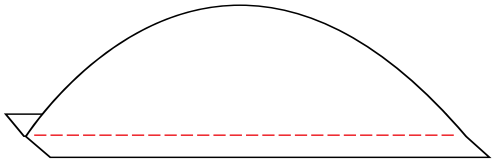
Attach Head
Fold at nose tape along sides to connect to tube



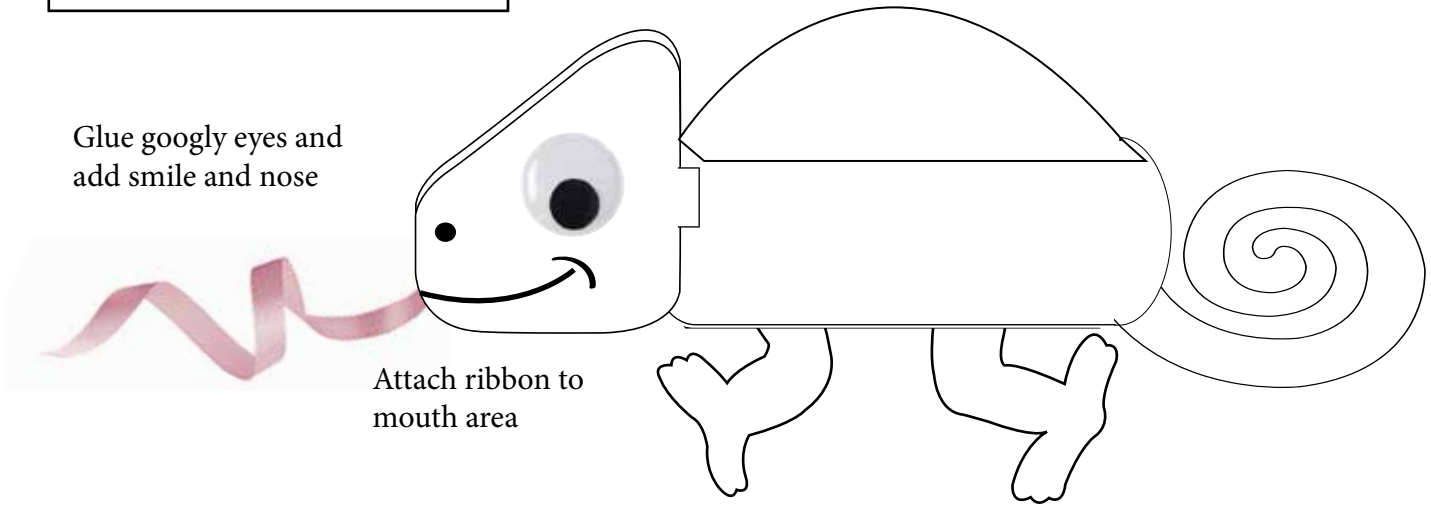



Cut out arch



Fold bottom flaps and attach to top of tube

Glue googly eyes and add smile and nose



Attach ribbon to mouth area

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# Chameleon Coloring Pages

## Color Me!

(Sample coloring completed)

See coloring pages to follow.
Color the chameleon using crayons, markers, or paint. Bring him to life with your favorite colors!

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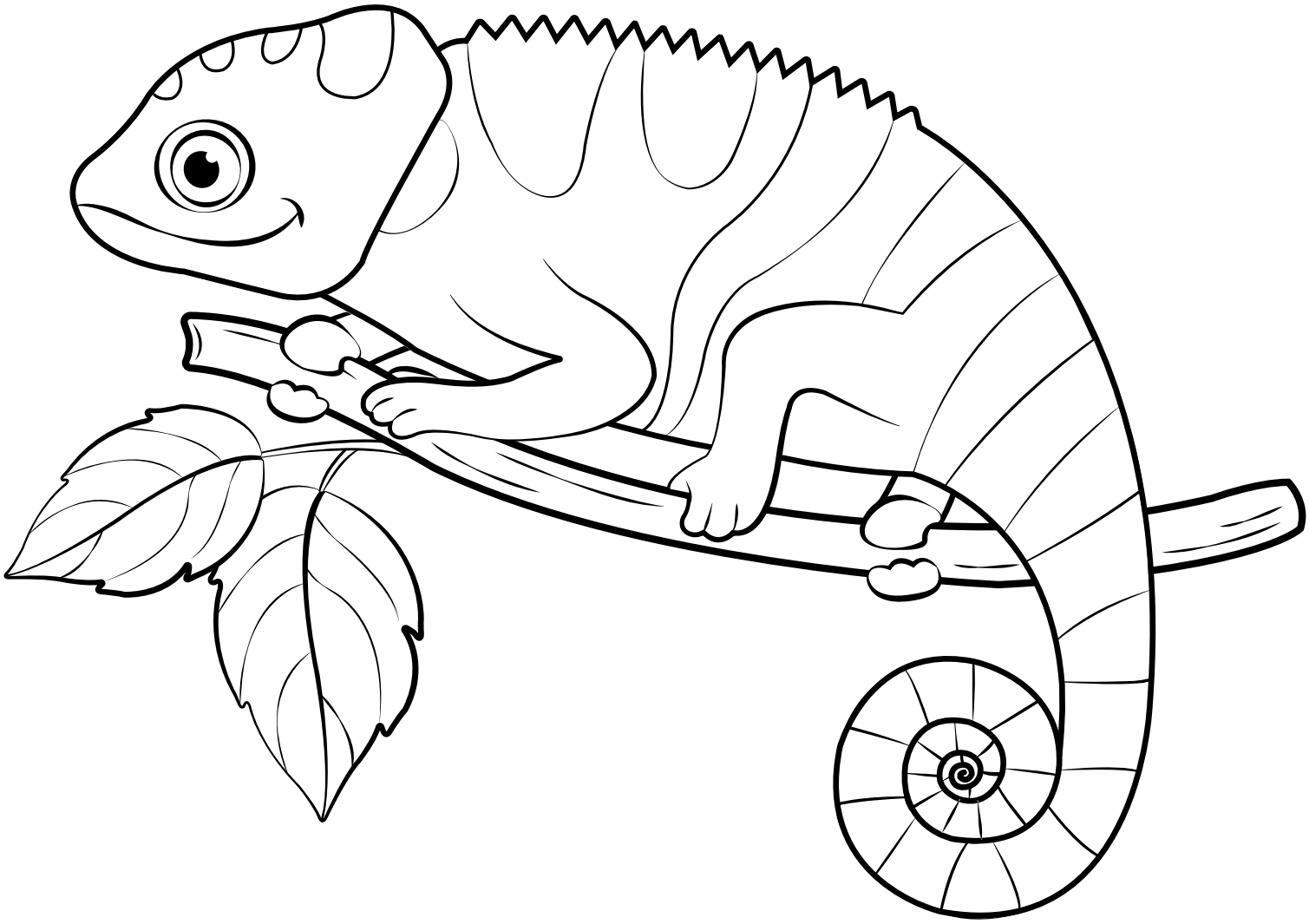
# Color Me!

Print and Color



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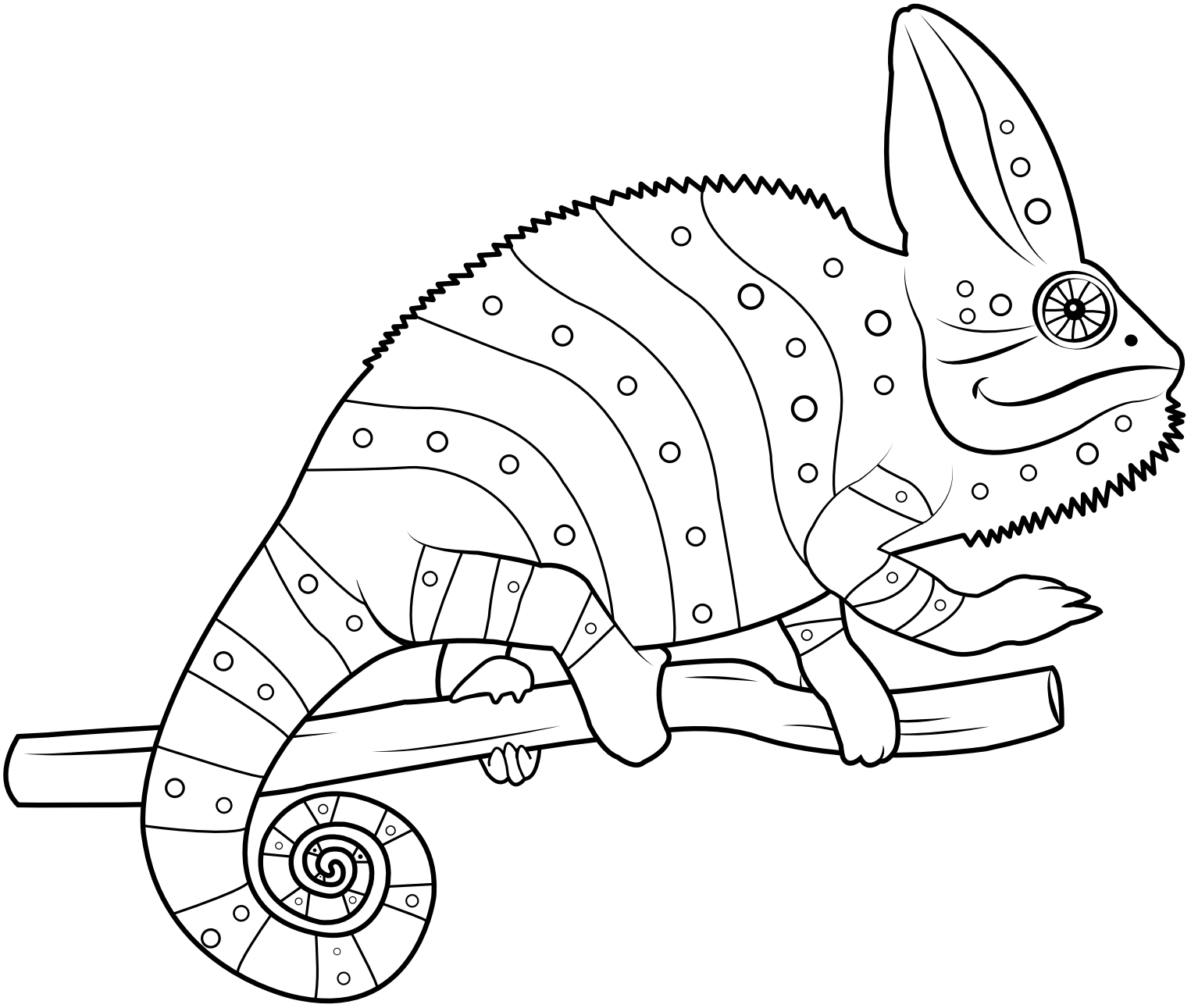

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# I Can Draw a Chameleon

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## Follow the Steps

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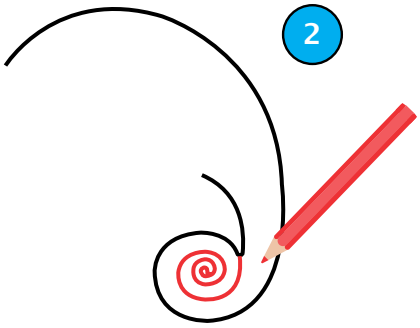
Draw body outline and tail loop



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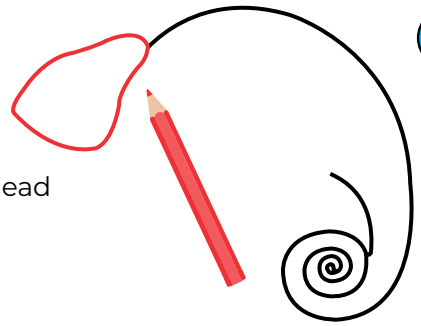
Add tail swirl



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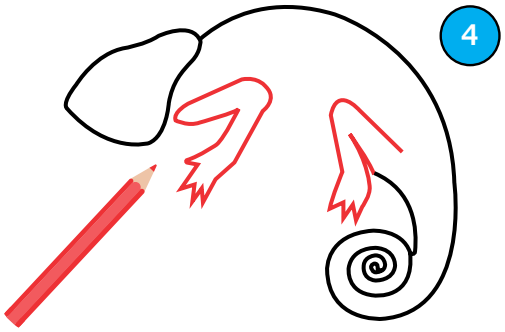
Add Head



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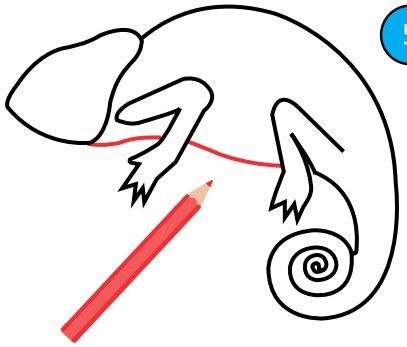
Add legs/feet



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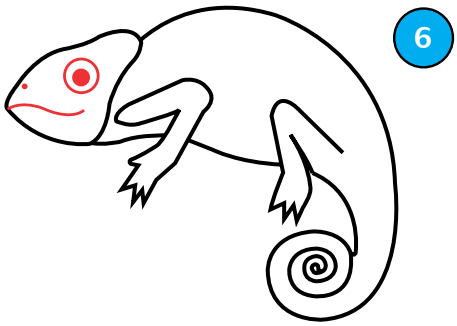
Draw line for belly and neck



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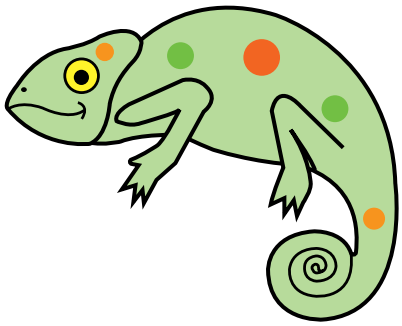
Add eyes, nose and mouth

7



Finish by adding color and detail to your Chameleon drawing

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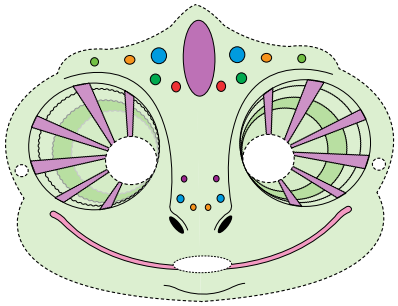
# Chameleon Mask

## Mask Task



### What you need:

- Printing paper
- Card stock or construction paper
- Crayons or Markers
- Glue Stick
- Scissors
- String or shoelaces
- Party blow horn

### What you do:

- Use template on next page to print mask
- Glue printed mask on to thin cardboard or construction paper to make it more durable
- Color/decorate your mask
- Cut out mask, eyes, mouth, side holes (follow dotted lines)
- Put string through small side holes
- Put mask on face and use strings to tie behind your head
- Blow party horn so it stretches out. Party horn is like chameleon tongue shooting out to catch a bug!

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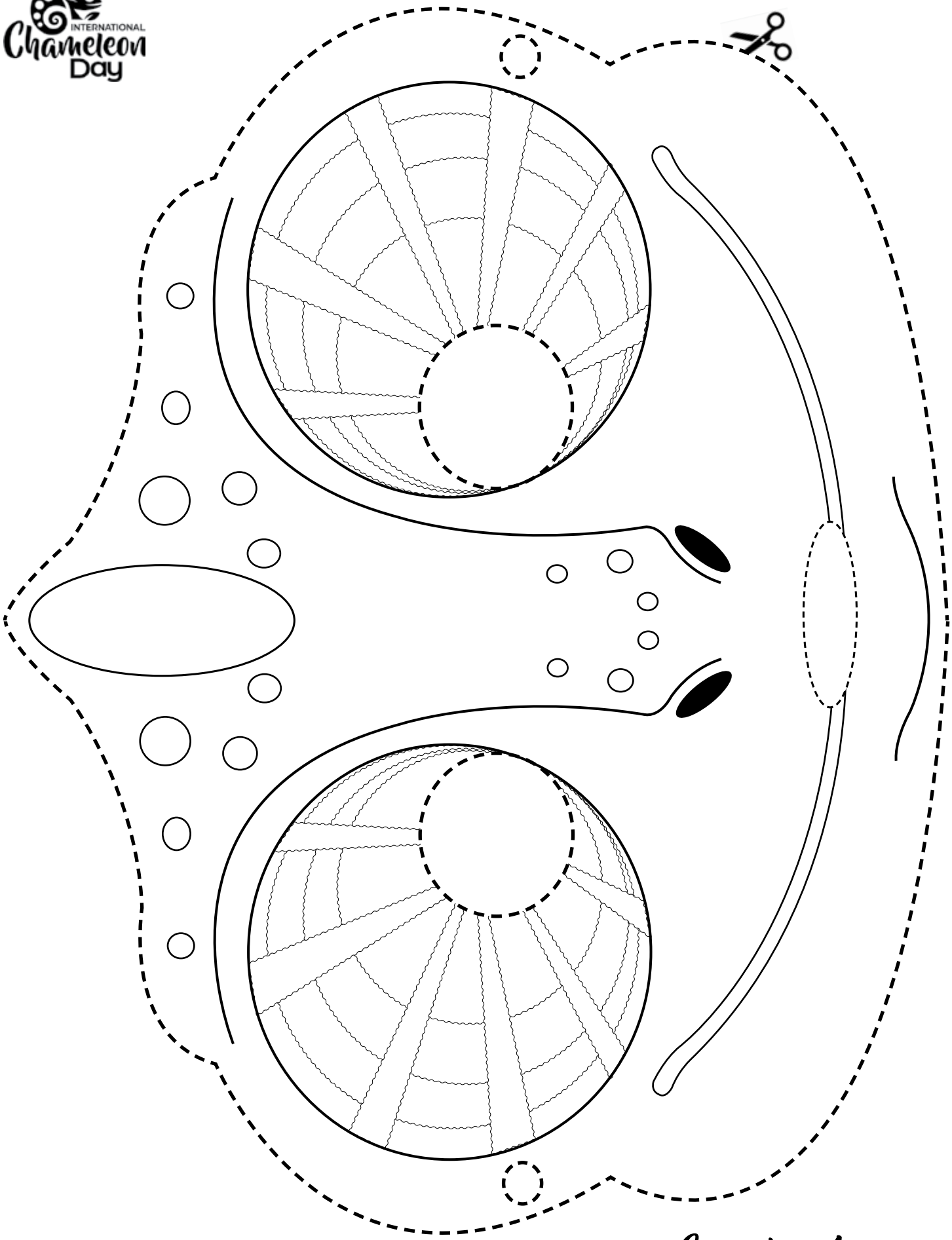
Print, Color, Glue, Cut, Wear!



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# Make Me a Match

## Print, Cut & Match!

- Play with a friend or on your own
- Print the following 2 pages of "Chameleon photo cards"
- Cut out each Chameleon card, there will be 2 of each
- Shuffle all of the cards and place them upside down
- Start by flipping over 2 of the Chameleon cards
- Try to remember which chameleons are on the cards
- Next turn, flip over 2 more cards
- Try to find a pair to make a match
- Keep playing until you match all cards
- The one with the most matches wins!

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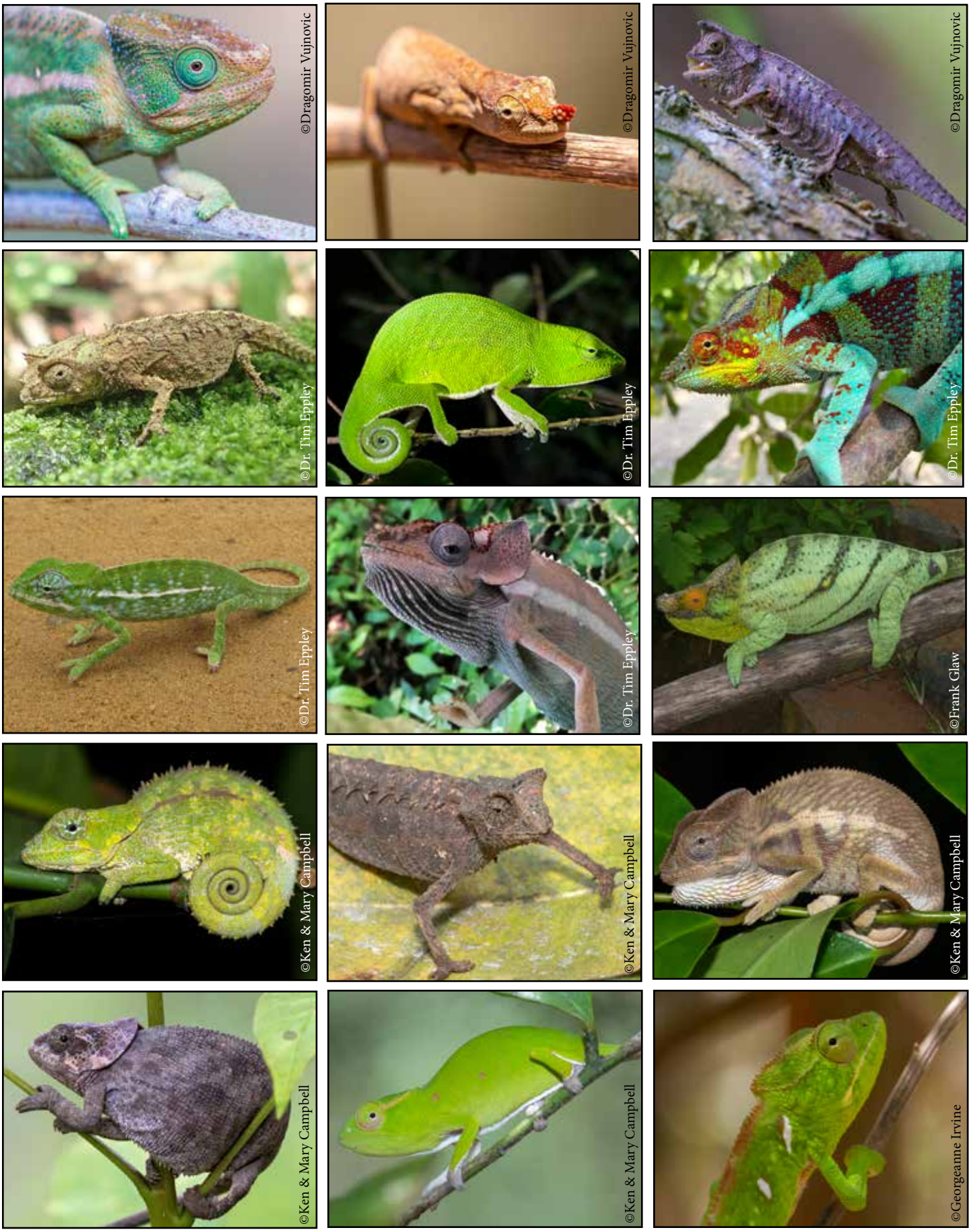
# Print & Cut out each square, page 1 of 2

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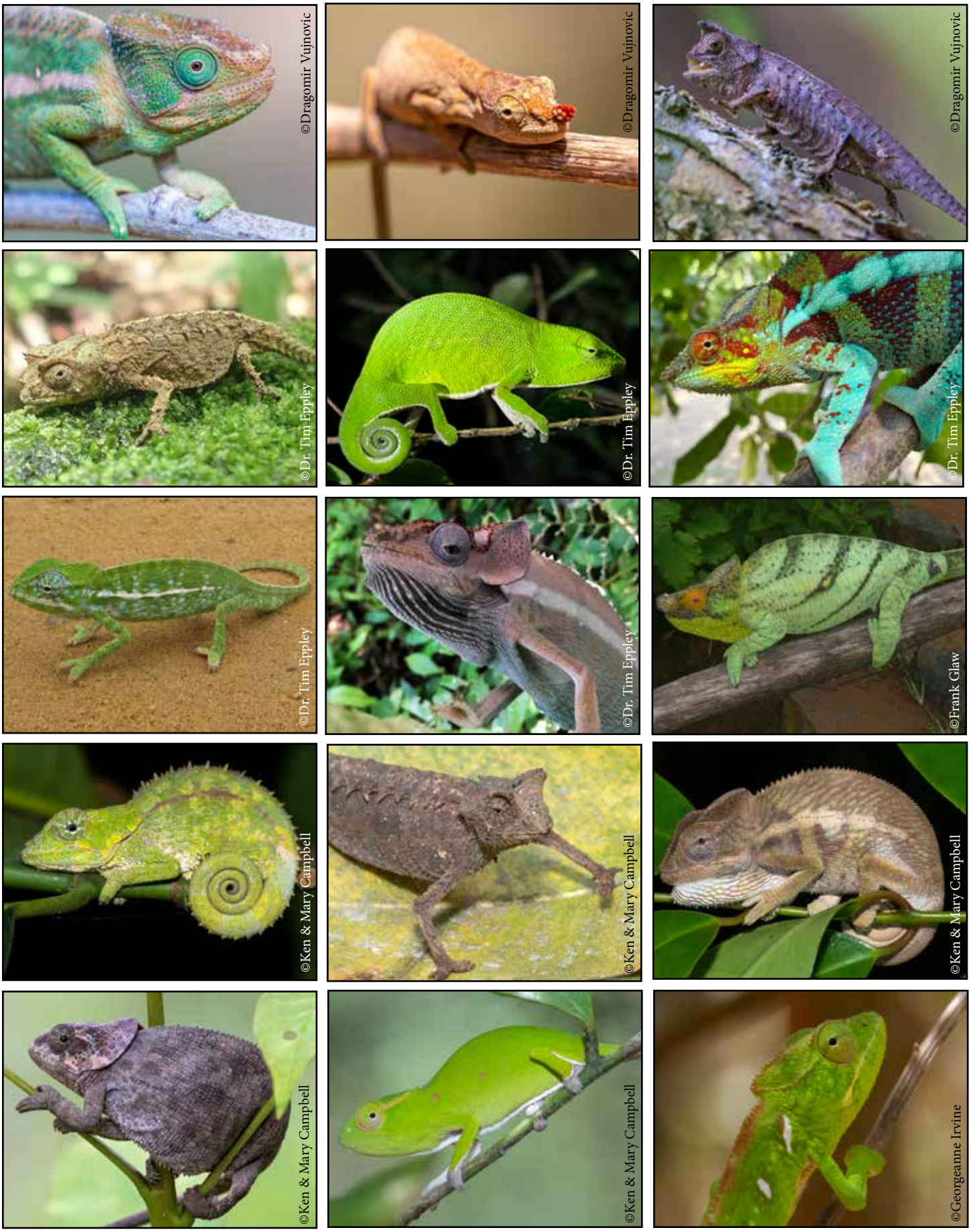


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