AVERAGE DURATION : CHALLENGE LEVEL



What would you would look like as a mermaid?

# MERMAID PORTRAIT PLATE



# **MATERIALS**

- SQUIRCLE SALAD PLATE G 1067
  - Pen Template
  - Scissors Masking Tape
  - Tracing Paper Sponge
  - Writer Bottle (Black)
  - Small Round Brushes
    - Scraping Tool
  - Straw and Dish Soap
  - Paints: 31, 59, 68, 13, 46, 47

# **TIPS**

First trace the image onto plate, then wipe down the bisque with a damp sponge to remove ceramic dust.

Hair can be different! Draw it the way you like it.

Scrape the fish scales into the tail before the paint dries. Start at the hips and move row by row towards the tail. See the sample image.

**THEME** Mermaid TAGS Ceramic, Plate, Mermaid

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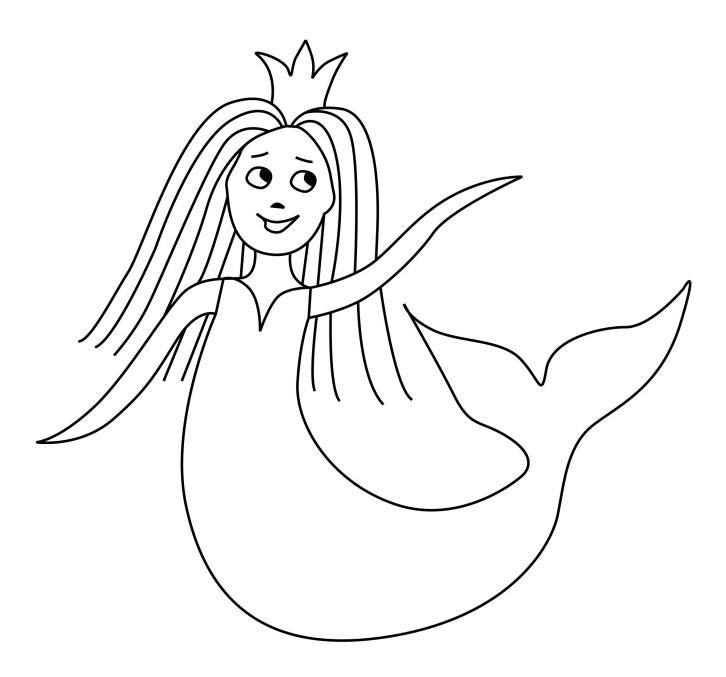
#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1. Trace the image onto plate. Cut off extra background from the template sheet and tape image to the plate. Place masking tape along the top. Insert the tracing paper under the template and follow the outlines with a pen. Lift papers to check progress. Remove papers when finish tracing. Change the hair as you see fit.
- 2. Wipe the plate down with damp sponge to remove bisque dust.
- 3. Outline traced image using a fine tip writer bottle filled with Black # 31. Let dry.
- 4. Color in the mermaid using small round brushes. Skin and hair colors can be different than colors shown here. Skin # 68, Hair # 13, Crown # 46, Tail and Body # 59. Make sure to apply 3 coats of # 59.
- 5. Use a scraping tool to scrape in the fish scales into the tail as shown in the sample photo. Each scale is a half a circle. Make sure to clean the tip of the scraping tool as you go.
- 6. Apply blue bubbles all over the plate. Use # 47 for Bubbles technique.

## Bubbles Technique:

- Mix 4 table spoons of water with 2 table spoons of # 47 in a cup.
- Mix in 1 tea spoon of Dawn dish soap.
- Blow into the mixture with a straw.
- Bubbles will come up to the edge of the cup.
- Push them over onto the plate.
- Let Dry.
- 7. Write your name in the upper right corner of the plate. Mark it with a pen first and then outline it with black writer bottle.





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