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Prompt: Construct a side-view ear using one unit U of 20 mm (hypothetical example). Place the top landmark at 1.2 units above the baseline and the lobe bottom at 0.2 units above the baseline. Describe the contour and fold order.

Answer: Mark the baseline and midline 20 mm apart. Place the top landmark at 24 mm above the baseline and the lobe bottom at 4 mm above the baseline. Draw the outer contour from the front attachment over the top, down the back rim, and to the lobe. Add the helix just inside the contour, then the antihelix as a shorter forked curve, then the concha as a soft bowl, and finally the tragus near the front. Check that the ear height is 20 mm between landmarks (24 − 4 = 20) and that the folds remain separate.