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Prompt: Draw a 10 cm practice feather with a shaft guide, three density zones, and a downy base. Use hypothetical spacing: sparse 6 mm, medium 3 mm, dense 1.5 mm. Describe the result.

Answer: The feather outline is 10 cm long and 3 cm wide at the middle. The shaft guide runs from base to tip with a faint parallel highlight line. The tip zone uses dense rows about 1.5 mm apart, the middle uses medium rows about 3 mm apart, and the base uses wavy downy lines with no fixed spacing. Each barb row starts at the shaft and stops inside the outline. The shaft tapers at the tip and rounds at the base. The downy zone overlaps three wavy lines to suggest softness.