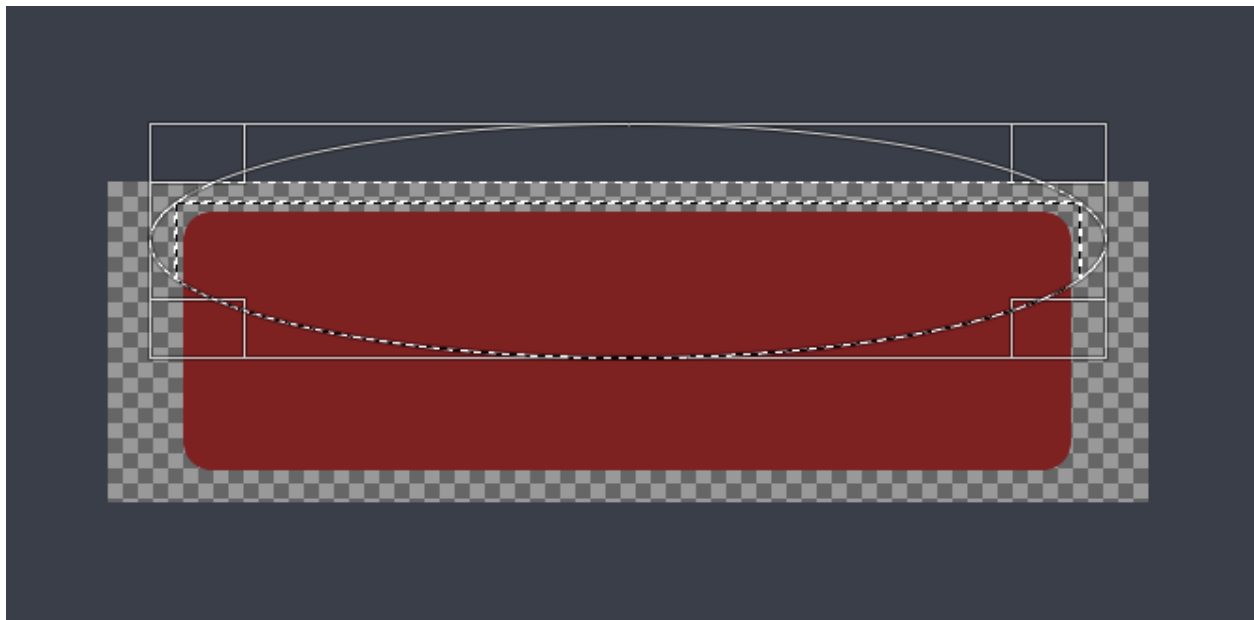


Select the “Rectangle Select Tool”. In “Tool Options” check Rounded Corners. I set the Radius at 15. Fill with your color.



New Layer.

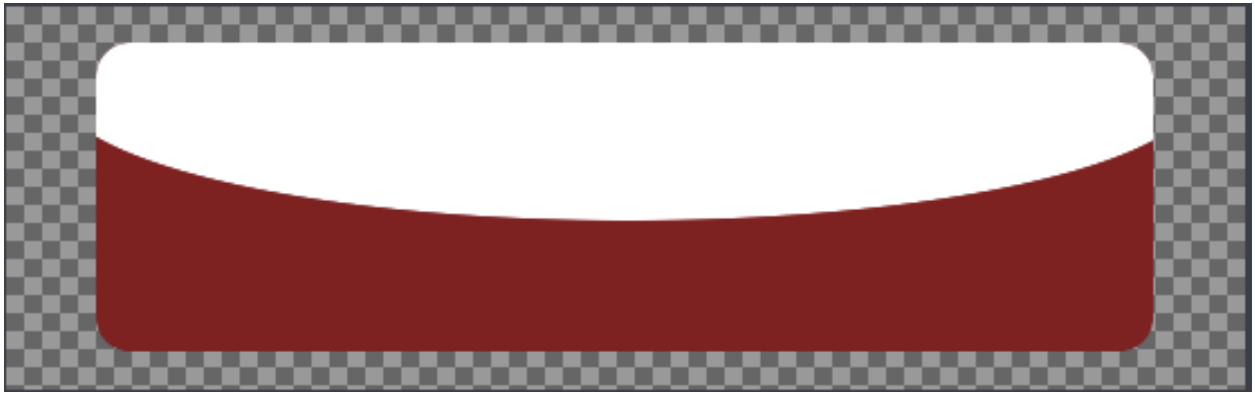
Select the Ellipse Select Tool and draw out a selection as shown below.



Flood fill that selection with white.

Go back to your original layer. Alpha to Selection > Select > Invert

Back to your ellipse layer and “Cut”. You should have this:



While on this layer go to Layer > Scale ... and on the “Width” decrease in increments of four until satisfied. Also move the layer down by three or four pixels.

Now for the gradient. Alpha to Selection on the white layer > create a New Layer > Select your “Blend Tool” with gradient of your choice. For this example I used the foreground and background (the red and white). Linear and > direction Background Color to Foreground. Play around with the opacity until satisfied.

