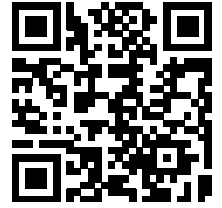


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The Mystery of Mona Lisa



The _____ is one of the most famous paintings in the world. Painted by _____, a master of the Renaissance, it is known for its enigmatic smile. The painting hangs in the _____ in Paris and attracts millions of visitors every year. Leonardo used a technique called _____ to create the soft, smoky effect in the painting. The identity of the woman in the painting has been a topic of debate, but she is commonly believed to be _____. The _____ is not very large, measuring only 77 cm by 53 cm. Leonardo started the painting in _____ and it took him several years to complete. The painting was revolutionary for its time, particularly in the use of _____ and its realistic portrayal of a subject. The _____ of the Mona Lisa has been the subject of countless interpretations and theories. It is said that the eyes of the Mona Lisa seem to follow the viewer around the room. The painting was stolen in _____, causing an international sensation, but was thankfully recovered. The _____ continues to inspire artists, writers, and scholars around the world.

Mona Lisa

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smile

1503

Mona Lisa

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Leonardo da Vinci

1911

Louvre

Lisa Gherardini

perspective