MIGUEL DE MÚZQUIZ Y GOYENECHE, COUNT OF GAUSA

CLASIFICACIÓN: EASEL PAINTING. PORTRAITS



DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA	Ca. 1783
UBICACIÓN	Bank of Spain, Madrid, Spain
DIMENSIONES	200 x 114 cm
TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE	Oil on canvas
RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA	Documented work
TITULAR	Banco de España
FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN	26 Aug 2022 / 17 Aug 2026
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HISTORIA

Barcelona 1883, Pau Milá i Fontanals (?); Madrid, 1900 (?), VIII Marquis of Casa Torres, until 1984; acquired by the Banco de España from the heiress of the Marquis of Casa Torres, 1993.

ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

We can say with certainty that Miguel de Múzquiz y Goyeneche (Elbete, Navarre, 1817 - Madrid, 1785),

Marquis of Villar de Ladrón and Count of Gausa, knew Goya before 1783, as he had signed the invoices for the cartoons delivered between 1775 and 1779 to the Tapestry Factory, which must have led him to choose him to paint his portrait. On the other hand, the technique and style indicate a date prior to 1783. In those years Goya had received few commissions of this nature, and in later years he demonstrated more skill. The painting's deep green and gold tones and the warm-toned tiles are closely related to Goya's first known official portrait, that of *Antonio Veyán y Monteagudo* of 1782 (Museum of Fine Arts, Huesca).

The defined details of the face, with its strong, precise brushstrokes, show a deep, kindly gaze that also reflects a certain melancholy and weariness. The embroidery and buckles emphasise the figure's presence in the luminous space. Some areas, such as the silky sheen of the coat, reveal the skill and speed of his pictorial technique. In this portrait, unlike the more modern portrait by *Cabarrús*, Goya added elements common to portraits of apparatus, such as the gilt table and the drapery.

A three-quarter copy is known to have belonged to José Lázaro Galdiano until shortly after 1913. It has been in the Ibercaja Goya Museum since 2022.

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PALABRAS CLAVE

MIGUEL DE MÚZQUIZ Y GOYENECHE MARQUÉS DE VILLAR DE LADRÓN CONDE DE GAUSA

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