

# OR THESE (NI POR ESAS)

CLASIFICACIÓN: DRAWINGS

SERIE: DISASTERS OF WAR (PRINTS Y DRAWINGS, 1810-1815)



## DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA

Ca. 1810 - 1815

UBICACIÓN

The Prado National Museum. Madrid, Madrid, Spain

DIMENSIONES

134 x 186 mm

TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE

Ink, sepia wash and sanguine on paper

RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA

Undisputed work

TITULAR

El Prado National Museum

FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN

29 Nov 2010 / 01 Jun 2023

INVENTARIO

442 (D4271)

## INSCRIPCIONES

21 (lower left-hand corner).

## HISTORIA

This drawing, just like the set of preparatory drawings made for the other prints in the series, formed part of the Carderera collection before arriving at the Prado Museum, where it is currently housed.

## ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

Goya has sketched out here on paper a reversed but otherwise almost unchanged image of what was later to become the finished print. The artist worked hard in this case to produce an image that would very closely resemble the subsequent etching. The archway in the background is drawn as a solid black surface, and the French soldier and the woman whom he has seized by the wrists both wear white clothes which draw our eye to them. At the woman's feet we see a naked child, crying, and, behind them, another woman and soldier locked in a violent struggle. Also included in the background is the church, visible through the archway. However, in the darkness, Goya has also sketched out a woman clutching a dagger in her hands, with which she defends herself against a figure lying prone on the ground. Later on, when he makes the print, the artist changes his mind and replaces these two characters with a single, crouching figure. The decision to choose this static figure for the background was probably made so as not to distract the viewer from the two struggling figures placed in the foreground.

Enrique Lafuente Ferrari has emphasized the Rembrandtesque character of the composition, in which Goya uses a more complex and refined technique than in many of the other preparatory drawings for the series, where he works with sanguine, since here he also makes use of a sepia wash.

This drawing was not transferred to the copperplate.

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