

# RIDICULOUS FOLLY (PREPARATORY DRAWING)

CLASIFICACIÓN: DRAWINGS

SERIE: ABSURDITIES (PRINTS Y DRAWINGS, CA.1815-1824)



## DATOS GENERALES

CRONOLOGÍA

Ca. 1815 - 1824

UBICACIÓN

The Prado National Museum. Madrid, Madrid, Spain

DIMENSIONES

228 x 322 mm

TÉCNICA Y SOPORTE

RECONOCIMIENTO DE LA AUTORÍA DE GOYA

Documentated work

TITULAR

El Prado National Museum

FICHA: REALIZACIÓN/REVISIÓN

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INVENTARIO

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## INSCRIPCIONES

9 (in composite pencil, lower left)

187 (in pencil, reverse, centre)

202 (in pencil, reverse)

Watermark: "MANUEL SERRA" (half left)

## HISTORIA

The drawing was inherited in 1828 by Javier Goya, the painter's son, and in 1854 by Mariano Goya y Goicoechea, the artist's grandson. It was subsequently owned by Valentín Carderera (ca. 1861) and Mariano Carderera (ca. 1880). In 1886 it was acquired from Mariano Carderera by the Directorate General of Public Instruction and was assigned to the Prado Museum, where it entered on 12 November 1886.

#### ANÁLISIS ARTÍSTICO

Preparatory drawing for *Ridiculous folly*.

Goya created the composition of the print from the simple sketches presented in this sketch. The image is very confused and imprecise, little more than a blur where the lines twist and turn on themselves, in which no expression or figure can be made out. Only a human face, very clearly defined, emerges from the jumble in the centre and at the top of the branch. Below the jumble, a thick tree trunk can be seen on the right, from which the branch that supports the figures starts and ends on the ground, crossing the entire panel and making an arc. There is earth and a slight hint of vegetation where the branch ends, which is eliminated in the engraving, leaving it alone in an indeterminate space.

#### EXPOSICIONES

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##### **Goya: Zeichnungen und Druckgraphik**

Städtische Galerie im Städelschen Kunstinstitut  
Frankfurt 1981

from February 13th to April 5th  
1981

Madrid 1999

##### **Goya**

Galleria Nazionale d'Arte Antica di Palazzo  
Barberini Roma 2000

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#### PALABRAS CLAVE

**DISPARATES RAMA**

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