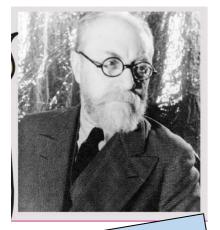
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Above: The Snail 1953



## Featured Artist: Henri Matisse



The Matisse Gallery Henri Matisse was born in France, and was the oldest son of a prosperous grain merchant. He initially studied law, and worked as a court administrator. In 1889, he developed appendicitis. While he was recovering, his mother brought him some art supplies and he began painting. His father was very disappointed when Henri decided to become an artist.

At first, Matisse painted in a traditional style. In 1896, he visited his artist friend John Peter Russell in France, where he was introduced to Impressionism, and to the work of Van Gogh. Matisse changed his style completely.

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"From the moment I held the	
box of colors in my hands, I	$\triangleleft$
knew this was my life. I	
threw myself into it like a	
beast that plunges towards	
the thing it loves"	



	Key Vocabulary	Definition
	Texture	The different feel or look of a material. Is it rough, smooth, bumpy etc.
	Collage	When various materials of different colours and textures are stuck on to paper to create a picture.
	Shape	An element of art that is two- dimensional, flat, or limited to height and width.
	Form	the overall form taken by the work – its physical nature.
	Pattern	A pattern is a design in which lines, shapes, forms or colours are repeated. Patterns can be regular or irregular.
	Mosaic	A mosaic is a picture made up of small parts which are traditionally tiny tiles made out of terracotta, pieces of glass, ceramics or marble and usually inlayed into floors and walls.
	Tessellation	A pattern made with polygons (a shape with three or more sides) that completely fills a space with no gaps, spaces or overlaps.



