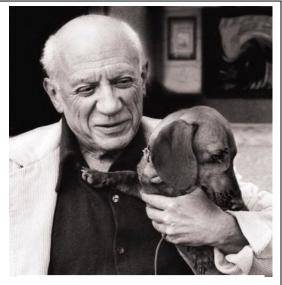
Puppy Love

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Introducing Rascal

When you hear the words Pablo Picasso your brain automatically thinks odd, bizarre shapes, but does it think dachshund? Lump, which means rascal in German, is a world famous dachshund in the arts and literary publications thanks to his notoriety as Pablo Picasso's beloved companion. The two met one fateful day when photojournalist David Douglas Duncan, along with Lump as his copilot, paid a visit to his friend Pablo Picasso's hillside villa in Cannes, France. Duncan had acquired Lump to provide a four-legged buddy to his very large Afghan Hund who had a habit of badgering Lump. When it was time to go home, Lump, in his stubborn wiener dog fashion, decided he liked the place and would make Picasso's home, his home. This new arrangement was perfect because Picasso equally fell in love with Lump. Visitors often reported that the little dachshund took over the house and ran the home quite nicely. Lump lived to the ripe old age of seventeen, Picasso died ten days later, some say from a broken heart. If you enjoy a fun read check out David Douglas Duncan's book: Picasso & Lump.

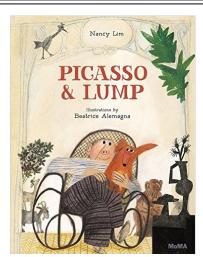


Las Meninas

Some old artistic masters included faces of fellow artists and patrons in the crowds portrayed in their oil paintings. Picasso paid similar homage to his little dachshund, Lump. Picasso painted forty-four reinterpretations of Velazquez's masterpiece of the Spanish Royal Court, Las Meninas. Fifteen of the studies include Lump. The large, regal dog in the original painting has been replaced with Lump, a sausage with four short legs and two pointed ears.



Picasso painted a portrait of Lump the very first day they met while he was having lunch with Jacqueline Roque, his future wife. He painted a sketch of Lump on a ceramic plate from their luncheon table, completing it with his signature and the date. Comparable painted plates by Picasso have sold at auction for as much as \$90.000.



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