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Matisse Painting, Stolen by Nazis, to Be Returned

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A Matisse painting stolen by the Nazis in 1941 will be returned to the heirs of its previous owner on Thursday, during a ceremony at the French Ministry of Culture, [Le Figaro reported](#). The 1898 painting, “Le Mur Rose” (“The Pink Wall”), was bought in Paris in 1914 by Harry Fuld, a Jewish entrepreneur who brought it home to Frankfurt. It was discovered in 1948 among the personal belongings of a Nazi SS officer charged with crimes against humanity. The painting, kept at the Georges Pompidou Center since 2000, bore a stamp from French customs in 1914, which allowed experts to identify and recover it. The painting is being donated to the London branch of Magen David Adom, the Israeli emergency medical service, a beneficiary of the Fuld heirs.