# Giovanni Boldini: His Palette, by Rozsika Parker - A Visual Masterpiece

Giovanni Boldini (1842-1931) was an Italian painter known for his vibrant and sensual portraits of women. His use of color was particularly distinctive, and he is often considered one of the greatest colorists of the late 19th century.



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In her book, *Giovanni Boldini: His Palette*, art historian Rozsika Parker provides an in-depth exploration of Boldini's use of color. Through a close examination of his paintings, she reveals the complex and nuanced ways in which he used color to create his unique and unforgettable style.

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Parker begins by discussing Boldini's early training and influences. She shows how he was influenced by the Venetian masters, as well as by the French Impressionists. However, Boldini's use of color was ultimately unique, and he developed his own distinctive palette. Parker identifies three main characteristics of Boldini's palette: its vibrancy, its sensuality, and its naturalism. Boldini's colors are often very bright and saturated, and he frequently used complementary colors to create a sense of tension and excitement. His colors are also often very sensual, and he frequently used them to evoke a sense of intimacy and desire.

Finally, Parker discusses Boldini's use of color in relation to his subject matter. She shows how Boldini used color to create different moods and atmospheres in his paintings. For example, he often used warm colors to create a sense of intimacy and passion, and he often used cool colors to create a sense of distance and detachment.

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## Early Training and Influences

Giovanni Boldini was born in Ferrara, Italy, in 1842. He studied painting at the Academy of Fine Arts in Florence, and he later traveled to Paris, where he was influenced by the French Impressionists. However, Boldini's use of color was ultimately unique, and he developed his own distinctive palette.

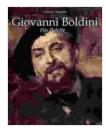
#### **Boldini's Palette**

Boldini's palette was characterized by its vibrancy, sensuality, and naturalism. He frequently used complementary colors to create a sense of tension and excitement, and he often used warm colors to create a sense of intimacy and passion.

#### **Color and Subject Matter**

Boldini's use of color was closely related to his subject matter. He often used warm colors to create a sense of intimacy and passion in his portraits of women, and he often used cool colors to create a sense of distance and detachment in his portraits of men.

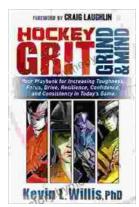
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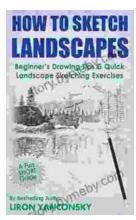
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