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Some of the most eminent European art historians introduce to the Prado as a sort of mirror of the evolution of mentalities and preferences of clients and collectors making the book an indispensable reference point for anyone who wants to deepen the knowledge of its masterpieces.

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