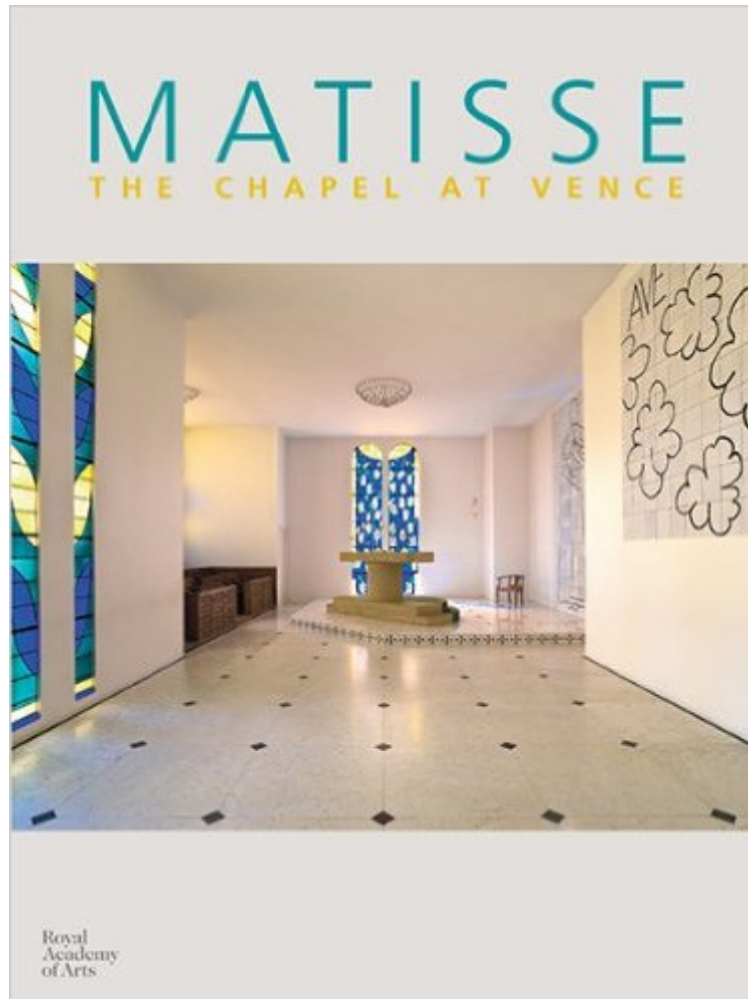


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# Matisse. Vence: The Chapel Of The Rosary



## Synopsis

This is the most complete and beautiful study of the Chapel of the Rosary in Vence, near Nice in the South of France, considered one of the most important religious structures of the modern age and regarded by Henri Matisse himself as his great masterpiece. Matisse dedicated four years to the creation of this chapel, and the result is one of the most remarkable ensemble pieces of 20th-century art. Every element of the chapel bears the artist's touch, from the vivid Mediterranean hues of the stained-glass windows to the starkly powerful murals; even the vestments and altar were designed by Matisse. Using superb new photography that demonstrates the dramatic effect of changing light throughout the day, this book is the first to present the experience of being in this sacred space exactly as Matisse envisaged it. Marie-Thérèse Pulvenis de Seligny's authoritative text explores the extraordinary story of the chapel's creation and the challenges faced by the 77-year-old artist in realizing his great vision. Praise for *Matisse: The Chapel at Vence*: "Includes a wealth of sketches and models ... tells us much about Matisse's process. . . . The images sing with colour." • *Architectural Review* November 2013

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The book is amazing. It is quite large and the pictures are very beautiful. It's so nice to have a reminder of my visit to this small but awesome chapel several years ago. Nancy U.

Beautiful photos. The story of a chapel coming to life, and completing a life. I hope to visit someday soon.

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