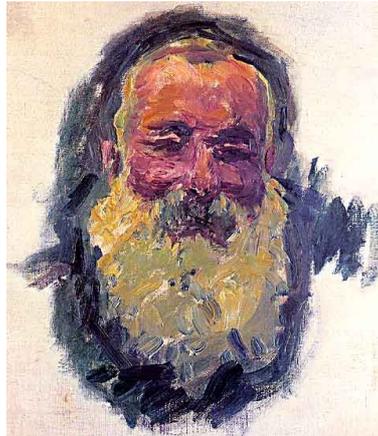


Monet



About Monet

Claude Monet was born in France in 1840. As a young artist, he pioneered the style known as Impressionism. At first people mocked his sketchy, atmospheric paintings. But, by the time Monet died in 1926, he was one of the world's most successful artists.

Monet once had a tree's leaves removed, so he could finish painting a winter scene.



The Water Lily Pond

Monet painted The water lily pond in 1899, using oil paints on canvas. Claude Monet loved to paint the pond in his garden. This view shows it in early summer, with sunlight catching the lilies and leaves, and gliding off the Japanese-style bridge. Monet painted his lily pond over and over again. He enjoyed watching how things change between dawn and dusk, or summer and winter, seeing colour and light.

