



IT'S MONA LISA MADNESS



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FRANCE is one snooty country, but its escargot-eating residents really outdid themselves when Jackie Kennedy convinced the Louvre to let the Mona Lisa come to Manhattan in 1962. In her upcoming book, "Mona Lisa in Camelot," Margaret Leslie Davis writes how newspapers splashed headlines screaming, "Mona Lisa Must Not Leave the Louvre." One ridiculously noted, "After all, one does not ask a pretty woman to come to one's home. One goes to her." The uproar was even weirder considering the Mona Lisa isn't even French - it was painted by Leonardo da Vinci, who was Italian the last time we checked.