

**SCHLEGEL, Dorothea, Frau
Friedrich, née Brendel
Mendelssohn**

Berlin 1763 – Frankfurt 1839

The eldest daughter of Moses Mendelssohn, Brendel, known as Dorothea, married the banker Simon Viet in 1783; after her divorce (1799) she married the poet Friedrich (later, von) Schlegel. She was primarily known as a novelist and translator. Her amateur self-portrait is indicative of the cultural breadth of her education.

Pastels

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