



## **Two new references for the Overseas collection: technical Haute Horlogerie dedicated to elegant sporting chic**

**The Overseas collection by Vacheron Constantin welcomes two new models combining a sporting spirit and technical Haute Horlogerie. The Overseas Perpetual Calendar Chronograph model comes in an 18-carat pink gold version, while the Overseas Chronograph timepiece features a steel case framing a deep blue dial.**

### **Overseas Chronograph Perpetual Calendar**

The year 2012 marks a new breakthrough in the consolidation of the Overseas collection, Vacheron Constantin's sporting and technical line. The Overseas Chronograph Perpetual Calendar model with its 18-carat pink gold case unequivocally establishes itself as the major reference in the collection, featuring a masterful blend of chic elegance and technical Haute Horlogerie.

The alliance between a chronograph and a perpetual calendar – two of the complications most favoured by devotees of mechanical Haute Horlogerie – confirm this new model as an embodiment of the proud tradition of excellence inherent to Vacheron Constantin.

This Overseas Perpetual Calendar model, boasting all the signature features of this collection, radiates a sophisticated, refined and immediately recognisable character – starting with the flowing and powerful lines of its case, the bezel inspired by Vacheron Constantin's Maltese Cross emblem, along with the hour-markers, crown, screw-lock pushers, as well as the caseback enhanced by a raised medallion depicting the famous three-mast *Amerigo Vespucci* ship.

Its 18-carat pink gold 42 mm-diameter case, like all men's Overseas models, is guaranteed water-resistant to 15 bar (approximately 150 metres) and houses a soft iron cage protecting the mechanical movement from magnetic fields of up to 25,000 A/m.

The association between the pink colour of the case and the subtle sandy shade of the dial lends a luxurious sporting touch to this model. Like the other timepieces in this collection, the hands and hour-markers are accented with white luminescent substance ensuring perfect readability even in the dark.

This exceptional model representing a compendium of technical Haute Horlogerie beats to the rhythm of Calibre 1136 QP and its 228 parts: a mechanical self-winding movement – just as one would expect from a sports watch – oscillating at the rate of 21,600 vibrations per hour and endowed with an approximately 40-hour power reserve. In addition to the hours, minutes and small seconds at 6 o'clock, Calibre 1136 QP powers the chronograph functions – sweep seconds-hand, 30-minute counter at 3 o'clock and 12-hour counter at 9 o'clock – as well as those of the perpetual calendar – day of the week, date, 48-month counter with leap years as well as a moon-phase display.

The Overseas Chronograph Perpetual Calendar is delivered with two straps: one in vulcanised brown rubber and the other in brown alligator leather. A pink gold triple-blade, double-pusher folding clasp guarantees security and comfort for the wearer of this exceptional model. This timepiece is also delivered with a luxurious presentation case equipped with a rotating mechanism that enables the watch – when not worn – to be kept perpetually wound and thereby ensure that the perpetual calendar indications are properly adjusted.

## **Overseas Chronograph**

The flagship model in this collection, the Overseas Chronograph is given a new expression this year with this steel variation enhanced by a deep blue dial. With its caseback distinguished by a raised motif depicting the historical *Amerigo Vespucci* sailboat, this Haute Horlogerie chronograph echoes all the distinctive codes and characteristics which, right from the time of its launch in 1996, have contributed to forging the strength of this technical and sporting line. Witness its famous bezel inspired by the Maltese Cross, its crown and its screw-lock pushers, its soft iron cage protecting the mechanical movement from magnetic fields of up to 25,000 A/m, as well as its case that is water-resistant to 15 bar (around 150 metres). Another distinctive feature is the particularly supple and comfortable steel bracelet – inseparable from any genuinely sporting watch – with its links shaped like a half Maltese Cross.

An object of fascination due to its complex mechanism – reflecting both the sporting spirit and precision timing performance – the new Overseas Chronograph model is distinguished by its deep blue dial with meticulous finishing, enhanced by luminescent hands and hour-markers guaranteeing perfect readability. The refined and elegant 42 mm-diameter cases houses Calibre 1137, a mechanical self-winding chronograph movement comprising 183 parts, endowed with a 40-hour power reserve and beating at the frequency of 21,600 vibrations/hour. In addition to the hours, minutes and small seconds at 6 o'clock along with the chronograph functions – sweep seconds-hand, 30-minute counter at 3 o'clock and 12-hour counter at 9 o'clock – this Overseas Chronograph watch features a large date appearing through a twin aperture at 12 o'clock.

Clearly dedicated to both technical sophistication and aesthetic elegance, this new Overseas Chronograph model from Vacheron Constantin strengthens the enviable stature acquired by the Geneva-based Manufacture in the field of Haute Horlogerie sports watches. It once again demonstrates that mechanical complexity can work wonders when it is combined with iconic design.

# T ECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Reference	49020/000R-9753 Overseas Chronograph Perpetual Calendar
Calibre	1136 QP Mechanical self-winding
Movement thickness	7.90 mm
Movement diameter	28 mm (11 ¼ lignes)
Jewelling	37 jewels
Number of parts	228
Frequency	3 Hz (21,600 vibrations/hour)
Indications	Hours, minutes and small seconds at 6 o'clock Chronograph with column wheel 12-hour and 30-minute counters Perpetual calendar (day of the week, date, 48-month counter with leap year indication) Moon phase
Power reserve	Approximately 40 hours
Case	18K 5N pink gold Screwed-down crown and pushpieces Solid case-back with stamped "Overseas" medallion Satin-finished table, polished bezel, chamfered edges
Water resistance	Tested at a pressure of 15 bar (approx. 150 metres)
Dial	Light grey opaline with black painted indications and scales Light grey snailed counters with 5N gold-plated diamond polished filets White painted external zone Hands and hour-markers in 18K 5N pink gold with white luminescent material
Strap	Dark brown <i>Mississippiensis</i> alligator leather strap, hand-stitched, saddle-finish, large square scales Delivered with a second strap in dark brown rubber
Clasp	18K 5N pink gold triple blade folding clasp, double security with buttons

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Reference	49150/B01A-9745 Overseas Chronograph
Calibre	1137 Mechanical self-winding
Movement thickness	6.60 mm
Movement diameter	26.20 mm (11 ¼ lignes)
Jewelling	37 jewels
Number of parts	183
Frequency	3 Hz (21,600 vibrations/hour)
Indications	Hours, minutes and small seconds at 6 o'clock Chronograph with column wheel Large date at 12 o'clock 12-hour and 30-minute counters
Power reserve	Approximately 40 hours
Case	Stainless steel Screwed-down crown and pushpieces Solid case-back with stamped "Overseas" medallion Satin-finished table, polished bezel, chamfered edges
Water resistance	Tested at a pressure of 15 bar (approx. 150 metres)
Dial	Laquered blue shiny dial Blue snailed counters with rhodiumized diamond-polished filets Hands and hour-markers in 18K white gold with white luminescent material
Strap	Stainless steel, polished and satin-finished half Maltese cross links
Clasp	Stainless steel triple blade folding clasp, double security with buttons