

Classic Fusion Cathedral Tourbillon Minute Repeater

Hublot presents its second Tourbillon Minute Repeater.

A new 100% Hublot Manufacture movement with double cathedral chime.

Born of the desire to pursue an independent route enabling Hublot to design and produce its own movements, the brand has now unveiled its second Minute Repeater coupled with a tourbillon. Exhibiting a marvellous balance between the classic style of its two major complications, a symbol of watchmaking art, and the dynamic, modern design of the Classic Fusion 45 mm, this piece is a fine exercise in style that demonstrates the principle of fusion between Tradition and Modernity.

Entirely designed, developed and produced by the micro-mechanical engineers, engineers and watchmakers at Hublot, and this new Grande Complication is the result of 24 months of R&D. Fully remodelled and optimised since the first version appeared in 2010, the new Tourbillon Minute Repeater retains all of Hublot's DNA.

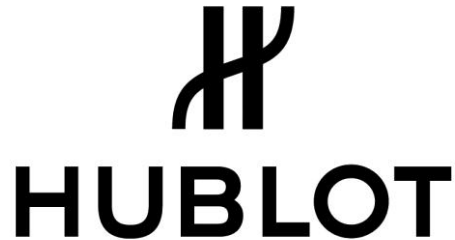
The sapphire dial reveals the HUB 8001 hand-wound mechanical movement, with its tourbillon escapement and the Minute Repeater mechanism. Among the notable new features are the newly designed time setting function and a traditional tourbillon with its 13.6 mm diameter cage, which rotates once every minute, and boasts a highly stable construction thanks to the barrette on the dial side.

The assembly of its 319 components - bridges, cams and springs, racks and hammers, gongs and snails, cage, wheels, jewels, screws - is a unique decorative element in itself, beautifully complemented by the watch's hands, which are red gold- or rhodium-plated, like the case.

One of the technical feats achieved on the Minute Repeater, whose construction requires a level of expertise possessed by only a small number of manufactures, is the complete integration of the trigger piece in the left-hand bezel lug of the Classic Fusion's case. This means it is no longer an appendage - as is usually the case - but rather a cleverly integrated function which results in a watch with a particularly harmonious appearance.

The power of the double cathedral chime and the exceptional clarity of its tone has already brought it to the attention of connoisseurs. Finally, the Tourbillon Minute Repeater, which has a power reserve of 5 days, is water-resistant to 30 metres - a highly complex achievement at this level, and much sought after by connoisseurs. The sound of the chime no longer relies on airborne transmission, but rather resonates through the material of the case.

The watch has an aesthetically pleasing diameter of 45 mm. The piece looks beautiful in King Gold (extra-precious gold containing 5% platinum) or titanium, the two versions in which this new model is available. It is completed with a strap, with a deployant buckle, in black alligator leather sewn onto tone-on-tone rubber for comfort, flexibility and increased leather durability.



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Technical details

References	504.OX.0180.LR – King Gold version limited to 50 numbered pieces 504.NX.0170.LR – Titanium version limited to 99 numbered pieces
Case	"Classic Fusion" – Diameter 45 mm – 18K King Gold or Titanium
Bezel	18K King Gold or Titanium with 6 H-shaped titanium screws, countersunk, polished and locked
Crystal	Sapphire with anti-reflective coating
Bezel Lug	Black composite resin
Crown	18K King Gold or titanium with engraved H for Hublot
Case-back	Open with sapphire crystal with interior anti-reflective coating, 18K King Gold or titanium
Water resistance	3 ATM, i.e. approx 30 metres
Dial	Sapphire. Polished gold-plated or rhodium-plated baton indexes Polished gold-plated or rhodium-plated hands
Movement	HUB8001 hand-wound movement Double Chime Tourbillon Minute Repeater
Components	319
Jewels	30
Frequency	3 (21,600 vib/h)
Strap	Black alligator leather sewn onto black rubber with black tone-on-tone stitching
Clasp	18K King Gold with black PVD steel blades – Deployant buckle