

## **Tonda 1950 Galaxy, Born from the skies of Fleurier**

**In the Val-de-Travers, where Parmigiani Fleurier is based, there is virtually no light polluting the night sky, and nothing obstructing the millions of stars it contains. This feeling of vertigo was the inspiration behind the creation of the Tonda 1950 Galaxy, a piece that is now available with a rose gold bracelet.**

The dial-makers are the sorcerers of the watchmaking world. They prefer to swap the sterile rooms of the watchmaker for the lair of the modern-day alchemist. Parmigiani Fleurier is lucky enough to have some truly inspired master dial-makers working in its Manufacture. At their benches filled with secret potions, they are continuously experimenting, testing and inventing, ensuring that every dial that passes through their hands is a masterpiece of depth and intensity.

Once again, they have worked their magic on the Tonda 1950 Galaxy, imbuing its dial with a colour that seems to have been cut straight from the night sky. This sombre midnight blue is one of the most complicated shades to reproduce, as it represents the link between our dreams and our imaginations. It needed a material created by a chance encounter to bring it to life: aventurine glass. In 18th-century Murano, a glass blower made a fortuitous discovery when he dropped a sliver of copper into melted glass. He christened this new material "aventurine" (per *avventura* meaning by chance in Italian).

Crushed then recomposed, aventurine glass contains copper inclusions which give it an unmistakable sparkle, like infinite particles of gold. The gaze is drawn to this starlit sky, showcased by the diamond-set bezel, forming a halo of light around its periphery. On the crown, a milky white opal, like a precious miniature nebula, provides the finishing touch.

The Tonda 1950 Galaxy is driven by the PF702 proprietary movement, decorated with Côtes de Genève and bevelled bridges. This self-winding mechanical movement and its beautiful finishes can be admired through the watch's sapphire case-back. The case and the appliques are made from rose gold. This special edition is now available with a solid gold bracelet.

## PARMIGIANI FLEURIER

Taking its name from its founder, watchmaker and restorer Michel Parmigiani, the fine watchmaking brand was founded in 1996 in Fleurier, in the Swiss valley of Val-de-Travers. With its own watchmaking centre ensuring its independence, the brand has both full control over the production process and unique creative freedom. For twenty years, the Parmigiani Fleurier signature has resided within timepieces that command the utmost respect, **in harmony with watchmaking traditions**. They are the labour of a lifetime – that of Michel Parmigiani, the talented individuals who assist him, and the special relationship between the Manufacture and the masterpieces of the past, enabling it to invent a bold future.

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

**REFERENCE** PFC288-1062500-B10002

### MOVEMENT

PF702

**Winding:** Self-winding

**Power reserve:** 48 hours

**Frequency:** 3 Hz – 21,600 Vib/h

**Dimensions:** 13 ¼" – Ø 30.0 mm

**Thickness:** 2.6 mm

**Components:** 160

**Jewels:** 29

**Barrel(s):** 1

**Decoration:** "Côtes de Genève" decoration, bevelled bridges

### DIAL

**Colour:** Blue aventurine

**Indices:** 18 ct rose gold appliques

**Finish:** Polished

**Hands:** Delta-shaped with luminescent coating

### STRAP

**Material:** 18 ct rose gold

### BUCKLE

**Type:** Folding

### FUNCTIONS

Hours, Minutes

### CASE

**Shape:** Round, in 3 sections

**Dimensions:** Ø 39 mm

**Thickness:** 8.4 mm

**Material:** 18 ct rose gold

**Diamonds:** 84

**Carats:** 0.6460

**Finish:** Polished

**Water resistance:** 30 m

**Crystal:** Anti-reflective sapphire

**Crown:** Ø 4.3 mm

**Case-back:** Sapphire

**Engraving on case-back:** Individual number and "EDITION SPECIALE"