

# PRESS REVIEW

L'ÉPÉE 1839

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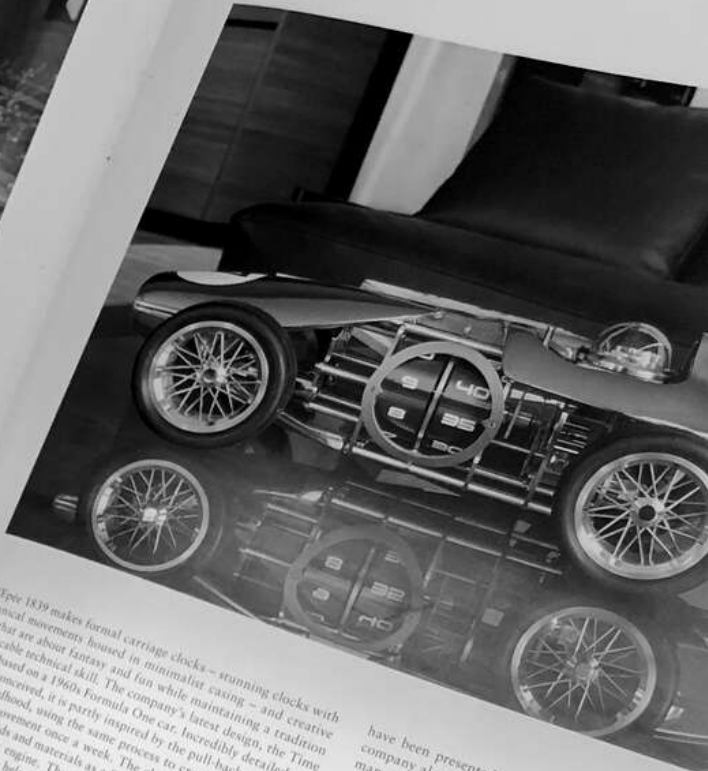


## The movement of time

Swiss clockmaker L'Épée 1839 has always been a pioneer, marrying precision engineering with creative designs that enter its many collectors

Time has always been the most precious commodity, for which clockmakers have had to evolve. Swiss clockmaker L'Épée 1839 has demonstrated a creative and inventive spirit of evolution since its foundation, and has won an unprecedented six gold medals at World Fairs. It produces immaculate traditional carriage clocks and a range of complications that are playful works of art, intricately designed and constructed from hundreds of unique hand-crafted parts to resemble sculptures, plates, figurines, skulls and elaborate spider-like sculptures.

"It's about creativity," says Arnaud Nicolas, the company CEO and technical director. "We have always been at the forefront of design and technical skill, for what we are doing now is making table clocks that are works of art. For somebody to wear a carriage clock it needs to be a piece of art that somehow has a secondary function or tells the time in a different way. What we are doing is what the French call the *l'art de vivre*. It means, literally, the way to live in a special way, giving maker's attention to create an artwork by hand in a special way, giving value to an object. It is craft, but we all craftsmanship is *l'art de vivre*."



L'Épée 1839 makes formal carriage clocks – stunning clocks with mechanical movements housed in minimalist casing – and creative clocks that are about fantasy and fun while maintaining a tradition of impeccable technical skill. The company's latest design, the Time For II, is based on a 1960s Formula One car. Incredibly detailed and brilliantly conceived, it is partly inspired by the pull-back toy cars of Nicolas' childhood, using the same process to create kinetic energy to wind the movement once a week. The clock is constructed using the same methods and materials as a Formula One car, with the time displayed on the engine. The ignition key, engine, steering wheel, gear stick, driver's helmet – all are engineered to play a fundamental role in the clock's workings, just as they do with a car. "Every piece of art has to express something," he says. "That is the point of art – it is not simply to be nice. It must give emotion, it must inspire. That is what we try to do with our clocks. It's this mixture of ingenuity and humour that ensures these limited pieces are in high demand. Historically, L'Épée 1839 clocks

have been presented as gifts to guests at royal events. The company also fitted the first wall clocks for Concorde in many years we were called the 'brand of the powerful' says Nicolas. "They were given to royalty, presidents, prime ministers and great entrepreneurs."

The company can produce bespoke pieces from its existing collection by personalising or customising them, or one-of-a-kind pieces to an individual's specifications. "Recently I had a customer who wanted a clock built exactly like his favourite racehorse, but in the form of a watch," he says. "This was not easy, but we now have a watchmaker and watchmakers who can design and build such pieces, but we add a humorous twist. Making clocks and watches is an incredible creativity but we have a technical precision."

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# GMT

Great Magazines of Timepieces

Autumn 2022  
"Portfolio Bucherer Blue"

Model: Time Fast I x Bucherer



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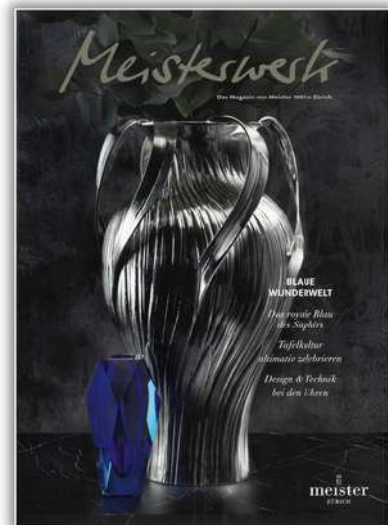
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# Meisterwesk

Das Magazin von Meister 1881 in Zürich

Autumn 2022  
"Beautiful Things"

Model: Time Fast I



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Im Uhrzeigersinn:  
L'Épée Tischuhr «Time Fast D8», blau lackiert, mechanisches 8-Tage-Manufakturwerk, 38.5 Zentimeter Länge, limitierte Auflage von 100 Stück, Preis auf Anfrage.  
Meister 1881 Collection Anhänger «Malteser», Weissgold 750, 127 blaue Saphire 5.38 Carat, CHF 14'400 (ohne Cclier).  
Ulysse Nardin Herrenuhr «Torpilleur Dual Time», Edelstahl, 43 Millimeter Durchmesser, automatisches Manufaktur-Chronometerwerk, CHF 10'900.  
Meister 1881 Collection Teekanne, Sterling-silber 925, Ebenholz, 1.2 Liter, CHF 9'500.  
Venini Vase «Monofiori Balloton», Muranoglas, 20.5 Zentimeter Höhe, CHF 413.  
Meister 1881 Collection Ring, Weissgold 750, hellblauer Aquamarin 1.20 Carat, CHF 3'320.  
Meister 1881 Collection Gürtelschnalle «Widder», Sterlingsilber 925, Ledergürtel in diversen Farben und Lederarten, CHF 330 - 820.  
Meister 1881 Collection Ohrclips «Fleur de Lys», Weissgold 750, Eisen geschwärzt, 2 blaue Zirkone 3.62 Carat, 32 Diamantrosen 0.86 Carat, 10 Brillanten 0.14 Carat, CHF 11'400.

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# Mdt

Maquinas del tiempo

November 2022  
"VIP Zone"

Model: Vanitas



## Lotusse MANCOR

Este modelo de calzado de Lotusse combina estilo y comodidad. Se ha confeccionado en piel de vacuno con acabado en napa, flexible y resistente, y destaca por su atractivo diseño bitono. El clásico color negro combina prácticamente con cualquier conjunto casual.

[www.lotusse.com](http://www.lotusse.com)  
Precio: 225 €

## L'Épée 1839 VANITAS

La colaboración de L'Épée con la diseñadora Fiona Krüger ha dado como resultado un reloj de pared único en su tipo, con los mismos mecanismos que un reloj de pulsera, solo que más grande. Esta edición de Vanitas se compone de ocho piezas, cada una, con una combinación de colores única (pero sólo una pieza de cada edición). Ofrece la indicación de horas y minutos, así como de la reserva de marcha.

[www.lepee1839.ch](http://www.lepee1839.ch)  
Precio: a partir de 38.000 € (cada reloj)



## Panasonic MULTISHAPE

Panasonic presenta Multishape, un revolucionario sistema modular de cuidado personal con cinco cabezales y sus accesorios, para adaptarse a cualquier rutina de cuidado personal. Sus opciones son amplias y ofrecen la máxima flexibilidad, desde recortar o afeitarse la barba, el vello corporal, las orejas o la nariz, al cepillado de dientes, y todo en un mismo sistema y con un mismo cargador.

[www.panasonic.com](http://www.panasonic.com)  
Precio: 139 € (base + 3 cabezales)

# The straits times

International

Publication on 24 October 2022

"Five timepieces to look out for at the Singapore Watch Fair"

Model: Time Fast I

## Five timepieces to look out for at the Singapore Watch Fair



**Patek Philippe (1982)**  
Ref. 2499J Perpetual Calendar  
Retailer by Gubelin 4th Series  
Yellow Gold  
Price: \$1,291,500

The reference 2499 is one of the world's most complicated watches – a perpetual calendar chronograph.

With only 349 units made, it is also extremely rare and collectable, made more so because this timepiece also carries the name of Gubelin, a famous watch retailer, on the dial.



**Audemars Piguet (1992)**  
Ref. 25720PT Star Wheel with Rare Engraved Dial in Platinum  
Price: \$68,000

A famous collectible by Audemars Piguet, which is best known for its Royal Oak models.

This watch's unique layout has inspired modern brands such as Urwerk. It is a model often publicised by collectors on Instagram and social media.



**Rolex (1979)**  
Rare Ref. 6263 "Big Red" Daytona in Steel 6.0 Mil Serial  
Price: \$156,168

Another extremely coveted timepiece, the Ref. 6263, is distinctive for its black acrylic, instead of steel, bezel.

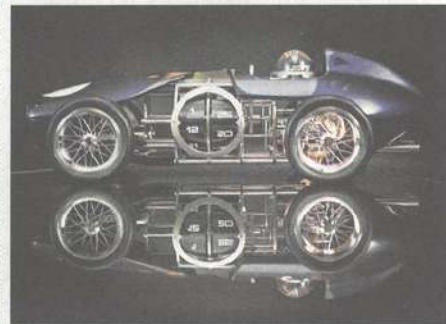
The 37mm timepiece has a silver dial and the Daytona sign is rendered in red with applied steel coronet and baton markers.



**Singer Reimagined**  
Track 1 Sklt Edition  
Price: \$138,900

This timepiece has a new-generation transparent dial suspended over the movement, allowing one to admire the intricate components below.

Shaped as a structural chassis, the open-work architecture reveals the signature minutes wheel below, highlighted in a golden finish. Underneath the minutes wheel lies the automatic rotor itself.



**L'Epee 1839**  
Time Fast D8 Blue  
Price: \$46,450

This vintage-inspired race car is a modern clock and a kinetic sculpture, designed by Georg Foster.

The engine comprises a tiered movement, with an eight-day power reserve, which hugs the curves of the bodywork. The mechanical movement's barrel is wound by moving the wheels in reverse.

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# Paddock Life

Lifestyle

November 2022  
"Beautiful Things"

Model: Time Fast II



## L'EPÉE 1839 THE ART OF KNOWLEDGE

### COOL FOR CLOCKS

L'EPÉE 1839 creative art pieces are clocks to surprise, inspire and even shock the serious collector looking for exceptional objects. The Time Fast is inspired by classic 1950s single seater racing cars and the Time Fast II is inspired by the 1960s heyday of long distance racing and those races provide the inspiration for the sports car inspired clocks. A fan of motorsports, designer Georg Foster remembers the sound of smoldering engines and the metallic clicking noises they make after a hard race, almost echoing the ticking of his amazing single seater and two seater timepieces.



The Time Fast II has two separate mechanisms, to wind the first one controlling the time you put the gear lever in reverse gear and pull it backward on its rubber tyres. The second which is activated by a dashboard switch moves the V8's pistons up and down. Setting the time is done by rotating the steering wheel, highlighting the meticulous detail which is as accurate as possible to the cars that inspired it. This limited edition of 99 comes in Ferrari Red, British Racing Green, Mercedes Silver, AC Blue with White stripes and White with Blue stripes with prices expected to range from approximately £25,000.00.

The Requiem Black Skull with a Gold movement by designer Kostas Melaxas was inspired by the equation of life, the skull illustrates the fragile balance of life and death and the passing of time. Requiem is a limited edition of 50 pieces costing around £9,000.00.

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# PRESTIGE



The exhibition space will be both immersive and luxurious in its design, boasting everything from historical displays to a selection of experiences, activities, panel discussions, and masterclasses from leading curators, designers, watchmakers, and experts in the field. There will also be showcases by both local and international brands such as L'Epée 1839, Singer Reimagined, Furlan Marri, Fondation de la Haute Horlogerie, Bianchet, Ophion, Delugs, Behrens, and more.



L'Epée 1839 Goldenboy Gold from its Creative Art Line is the most iconic of clockmaking wonders

# Prestige

Online

Autumn 2022

"Why you need to attend the inaugural UltraLuxe Jewellery and Watch Festival"

Model : Time Fast II and Winchester





**The Singapore Watch Fair**

The Singapore Watch Fair aims to become Asia's most distinct and respected hub for watchmaking. The exhibition will feature local and international brands such as Fondation de la Haute Horlogerie, Furlan Marri, Behrens, Patek Philippe ref. 2499/100 and Singer Reimagined. Within an immersive and luxurious exhibition space, visitors can participate in engaging activities that consist of historical displays and world-class watchmaking content. Guests also can gain insights from curators, watchmakers, designers and experts through 'Talking Time' – a lineup of masterclasses featuring Carson Chan and Alexandre Bigler.



Photo: Doc. L'Epée 1839

# Tatler

*Style / Jewellery*

Autumn 2022

"UltraLuxe 2022: 8 Reasons to Visit the Festival in Singapore"

*Model: Time Fast II*





More than 20 independent watch brands will be exhibiting their unique creations at the fair. Names include L'Epée 1839, Singer Reimagined, Furlan Marri, Bianchet, Ophion, Atelier Holgur, Andersen Genève, Behrens, Vincent Calabrese, and Genus. Even the most jaded watch enthusiast will be mesmerised by the variety of pieces and rich history of these brands.



Photo: UltraLuxe

# Read a plus

*Style / Watches*

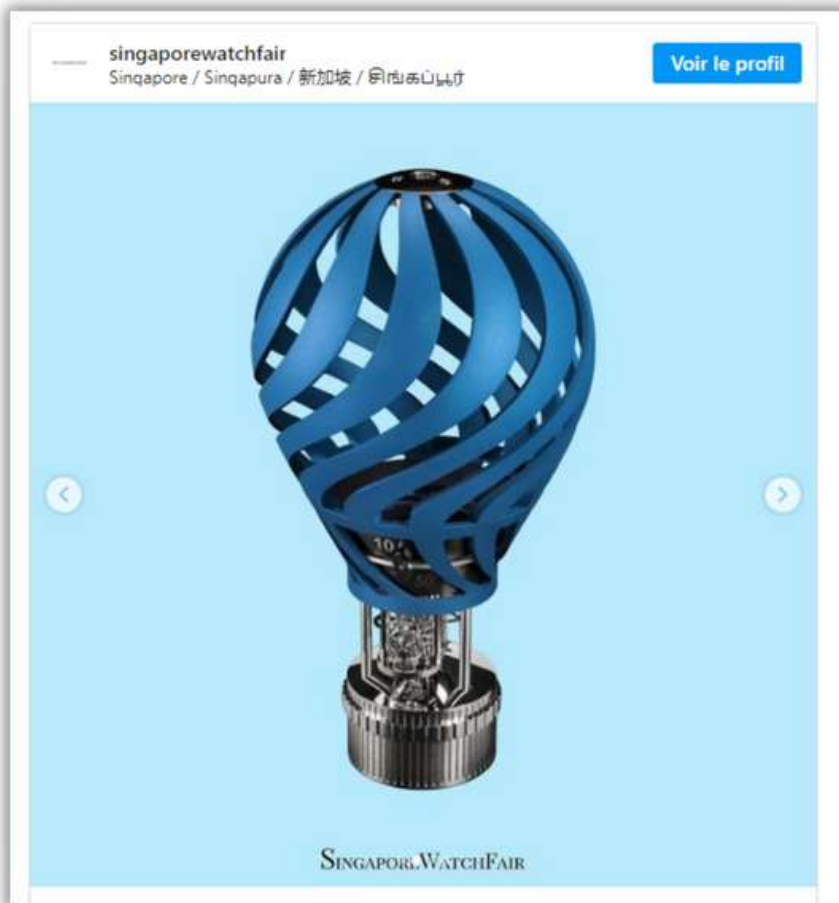
Autumn 2022

"The Singapore Watch Fair 2022 Shines The Spotlight On Independent Watchmaking"

*Model : Time Fast II*

## Singapore Watch Fair 2022: An Occasion To Celebrate Time

*Happening from 26 to 30 October 2022, the fair will play host to a range of activities from panel discussions to display of historical timepieces.*



According to its press release, this watch-centric festival is dedicated to “[perpetuating] the appreciation and collecting culture of mechanical timepieces in Singapore and around the region and will be the venue where relationships between collectors and watchmakers are forged.” The Tent will host more than 20 independent watch brands like L’epée 1839, Blanchet, Furlan Marri and many more. Visitors who wish to hone their knowledge of horology can attend the slew of experiential activities, including viewing vintage pieces and a panel discussion by industry experts like Alexandre Bigler, head of Asia-Pacific for Christie’s Watches and Marc Andre of WatchesTV. They will share their opinions on key topics and the future of watchmaking and watch collecting.

# Luxuo

*Style / World of watches*

Autumn 2022

"Singapore Watch Fair 2022: An Occasion To Celebrate Time"

*Model : Hot Balloon*

# A BLOG TO WATCH



Lastly, rounding out the trio of new blue-themed releases for 2022 is the L'Épée 1839 Time Fast Bucherer BLUE, which is a bright blue, race car-shaped desk clock. L'Épée is famous for its finely crafted clocks that range from the traditional to the fanciful, and the Time Fast is of the later variety that draws its inspiration from a 1950s single-seat race car. Designed by Georg Foster while he was a master's student at the Swiss school Ecole cantonale d'art de Lausanne (ECAL), the original L'Épée Time Fast D8 first debuted in 2019. The time is displayed by a set of rotating discs through a window in the side of the car, while the escapement sits on display within a clear domed bubble that occupies the place where you would normally see the driver's helmet. As a reference to children's toy windup cars, winding the L'Épée Time Fast clock is done by rolling it back and forth, where the rotation of the rear wheels tightens the mainspring, which will supply the movement with a power reserve of 192 hours (8 days) once fully wound. Although a dark blue color was among the original options back in 2019, this year's Bucherer BLUE edition features the retailer's much brighter signature hue and it also turns the blue up a few additional notches with metallic blue rims and a matching blue grill fitted to the front of the car.

# A blog to watch

Reviews

Autumn 2022  
"Bucherer unveils new 2022 Bucherer blues watches with Girard Perregaux, H. Moser & Cie, and L'Épée"

Model: Time Fast x Bucherer

## SAY WHO

### L'épée 1839 x Time Fast II : en pole position

Les connexions entre automobile et horlogerie sont tellement nombreuses qu'elles frisent le carambolage. Mais pour L'Épée 1839 qui fabrique parmi les horloges les plus hypes de l'histoire, cette analogie pouvait encore aller un cran plus loin. Pour cela l'horloger s'est penché sur l'âge d'or de la compétition automobile et a regardé ce qui avait été produit de meilleur. Était-ce la Ford GT 40 ? La Ferrari P330 ? La Jaguar Type D ? A la lecture du résultat, cette dernière, reconnaissable entre mille avec son prolongement aérodynamique derrière la tête du pilote, semble avoir remporté les suffrages de l'équipe. Ainsi « Time Fast II » est construite sur un châssis en H en aluminium et le volant à trois branches (qui donne l'heure) lui, est fabriqué comme ceux des vraies voitures de sport. De même, les roues à rayons sont faites du même acier inoxydable et leurs pneus en caoutchouc souple sont remplis d'une mousse spéciale pour reproduire la pression et le petit affaissement du flan. Bref, on est vraiment en pole position. Texte: Nicolas Salomon.



# Say Who

*Precious*

Autumn 2022

L'épée 1839 x Time Fast II : en pole position"

*Model : Time Fast II*

# TICK-Talk

**TIME FAST II VON L'EPÉE: MIT DEM EXKLUSIVEN ZEITMESSER AUF DER ÜBERHOLSPUR!**



**Als Oldtimer- und Uhrenliebhaber hat mein Herz zu rasen begonnen, als ich die Time Fast II von L'Epée exklusiv gesehen habe, denn die Time Fast II vereint gemeinsam meine Liebe zu Oldtimern und Uhren.**

Time Fast II ist von den Rennsportwagen der 1960er Jahre inspiriert, einer goldenen Ära des automobilen Langstreckenwettbewerbs. Der Name Time Fast II bezieht sich auf die Tatsache, dass es sich um ein zweisitziges Auto handelt, das zwei Uhrwerke hat (eines für die Zeit und eines für die Motor-Animation), dass Rennwagen immer schneller werden, dass die moderne Zeit schneller zu laufen scheint und dass es sich um die zweite von Autos inspirierte Uhr von L'Epée handelt.

## Tick Talk

*Life & Style, Uhren*

Autumn 2022

Time Fast II von L'Epée: mit dem exklusiven Zeitmesser auf der Überholspur!"

*Model : Time Fast II*



# Day and night magazine

Trending news

Publication on October 2022

" Time Fast II من لبييه: احتفال بالعصر الذهبي للسباقات "

Model : Time Fast II

احتفاء بحقبة الستينيات من القرن الماضي، التي تُعدّ العصر الذهبي لسباقات السيارات الرياضية، تقدم شركة لبييه ساعة طاولة Time Fast II تاهيم فاست II، وهي ساعة سباق V8 أصيلة تستخدم قدراً كبيراً من التقنيات والتصاميم، التي صنعت جاذبية سيارات السباق الرياضية في الستينيات. بُنيت Time Fast II على هيكل يتخذ شكل حرف H صنع من الألمنيوم، على غرار سيارات السباق في تلك الفترة، وصنع المقود ثلاثي الأذرع (الذي يضبط الوقت) بنفس الطريقة المستخدمة في السيارات الرياضية الحقيقية، كما أُنجزت العجلات ذات الأسلاك المصنوعة من الفولاذ المقاوم للصدأ بنفس الدقة التي نجدها في العجلات الأصلية، ومللت إطاراتها المطاطية المركبة والناعمة بزغوة خاصة لتحكي ضغط إطارات سيارات السباق الحقيقية. يُعرض الزمن (الساعات والدقائق) بواسطة الحركة المصنّعة داخلياً، والتي تملك احتياطي طاقة قدره 8 أيام، على فلتر الهواء المزودة التي تغذي جانبي الكربوراتورات في محرك V8. وتحت خوذة السائق يستقر ميزان الساعة المتحرك على الدوام بتردد 2.5 هرتز، بينما يطلق مفتاح التشغيل عمل مكابح محرك V8 بشكل واقعي لأعلى ولأسفل، ويتيح دفع Time Fast II إلى الوراء فوق طاولة تعبئة الحركتين ضمن الساعة.

CONSOMMATION

7 octobre 2022

Les dents de la mort qui jouent avec les temps de la terre (L'Épée 1939 x Fiona Kruger)



### ATLANTIC-TAC

Quand Elvis pulse en rouge et quand Fiona crâne en aluminium :  
c'est l'actualité octobrale des montres

# Atlantico

*Etes vous prêt à changer d'avis ?*

Publication on 7 October 2022  
"Atlantic-Tac"

*Model : Vanitas*



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Time Fast D8 Blue

Price: \$46,450

This vintage-inspired race car is a modern clock and a kinetic sculpture, designed by Georg Foster. The engine comprises a tiered movement, with an eight-day power reserve, which hugs the curves of the bodywork. The mechanical movement's barrel is wound by moving the wheels in reverse.

# The straits times

*Lifestyle*

Publication on 23 October 2022

"Duo who want to make Singapore a watchmaking hub"

*Model: Time Fast I*

# Watch Swiss

Swiss Watch News

Autumn 2022  
L'Epée 1839 / Space Clock"

Model : Space Clock

## L'EPÉE 1839 | SPACE CLOCK



Designed by Epée 1839, Space Clock is as fascinating as it is intriguing. Inspired by the shape of NASA's lunar landers, this piece reveals an aluminium body housing an eight-day movement. The movement also drives a mechanical animation under the dome of the craft. Capturing the spirit of interplanetary adventure as a machine designed to fly among the stars, Space Clock also seeks to remind us just how human we are.

The playful seesaw animation on the top of the fuselage depicts a scene of child-like innocence: two astronauts gleefully bouncing and spinning around, working together and having a blast. A different configuration finds an interspecies pair as an astronaut and alien face each other, while yet another configuration depicts a flying saucer and fighter jet flying around under the dome.

Independent of the time indication, the animation conveys ideas and ideals. Showcasing the alien and astronaut transports us back to our childhood adventures, to those dreams of exciting exploration through space searching for exotic lifeforms.

The clock rests on three outrigger legs perfect for setting down in soft or rocky terrain, while the body has plenty of windows for observation as you explore space. Time setting and winding are accomplished via two portholes.

The L'Epée 1839 Space Clock is issued as a 100-piece limited series in each of three configurations: Human to Human, Human to Alien, and Jet to Spaceship.



The name Time Fast II references the fact that it's a 2-seater car, has two movements (one for time and one for the engine automate), racing cars are getting faster, modern time seems to be running faster, and it is L'Epée's second car inspired clock. The floor and body are screwed to a H-chassis as in their full-sized counterparts. The body of Time Fast II is in aluminum because in the 1960s, aluminum was the high-tech material for racing cars as carbon fiber is today. An aluminum body on a race car offers a higher power-to-weight ratio, shorter braking distances, and faster cornering: all winning attributes in a sports car.

Time Fast II features two independent movements, both with their own power source. The first movement is in the cockpit and is responsible for keeping the time. Hours and minutes are displayed by rotating stainless steel disks on the air filters feeding the dual carburetor banks on top of the engine. The 8-day movement is regulated by a visible 2.5 Hertz escapement in the 'driver's helmet' and powered by a mainspring visible in the passenger's 'seat'.

The Time Fast II is limited to 99 pieces in each of five colors. The second movement powers the engine automate. Turning the dashboard key starts the engine, triggering the pistons of the V8 to go up and down. This animation is completely independent of the time movement. A manual gear lever selects between winding the time movement, winding the engine automate or neutral. Winding is accomplished by selecting the appropriate gear and pulling the car backwards. The three-spoke steering wheel is assembled just as the original steering wheels were, with a center rim and two outer rims held together by 12 rivets. The steering wheel is turned counterclockwise to set the time, while turning clockwise allows repositioning of the wheel to center. Highlighting just how much meticulous attention to detail L'Epée put into ensuring that Time Fast II is as accurate as possible to the cars that inspired it, the stainless-steel spoked wheel rims are crafted just like the real racing wheels were in the 1960s. The tires are in soft rubber for optimal grip when winding the movements and filled with a carefully selected foam compound so that the tires are slightly flat on the bottom to the same degree as real sport's car racing tires on a real car racing track.

<https://www.lepee1839.ch/>

Limited editions of 99 pieces in each of five colors: Ferrari Red, British racing green, Mercedes silver, AC cobra blue with white stripes, and White with blue stripes.



# Proud Mag

Watches

Publication on 1 November 2022

"Time Fast II by L'Epée is inspired by racing sports cars of the 1960s"

Model: Time Fast II




# Watches TV

*Youtube*

Publication on 8 November 2022  
"Experiencing Singapore Watch Fair 2022"

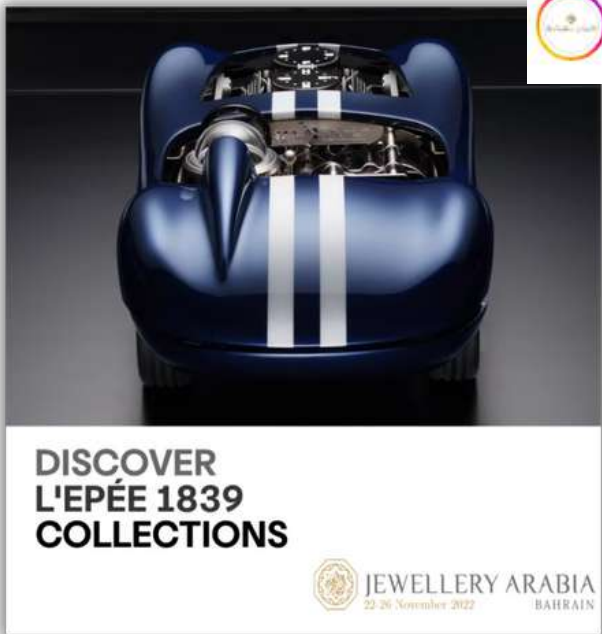
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