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# Watch Guide

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look at haute  
horology's finest  
watchmakers and  
their most creative  
innovations



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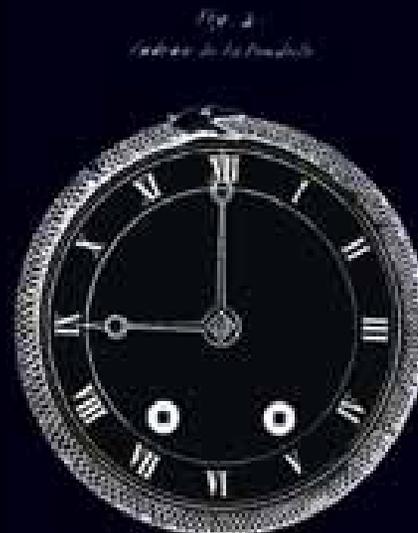


***Louis Moinet, inventor of the chronograph***

Paris, 1820. Two friends are working together in this golden age of watchmaking, both passionate and extremely talented. One, Abraham-Louis Breguet, invents the tourbillon; the other, Louis Moinet, the chronograph. They could not have known then that they would go down in history as the founding fathers of haute horlogerie.

Louis Moinet was the Leonardo da Vinci of watchmaking, who made the

first ever chronograph in 1816. This extraordinary timepiece was capable of measuring a 60th of a second and was the most accurate instrument of its time. Moinet was 100 years ahead of his time in terms of high frequency and 50 years ahead in terms of the chronograph's reset mechanism. It lay hidden in a prince's collection for nearly 200 years, before coming to light in perfect working condition. Its discovery turned the world of watchmaking upside down and rewrote watchmaking history.



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### *20-second Tempograph*

Louis Moinet is renowned for its unique creations. The company's flair for design has already earned it several international prizes, including five Red Dot design awards.

The brand new 20-second Tempograph is the perfect example of this creative talent. The innovative Louis Moinet mechanism, with its unique 20-second retrograde system, is fully visible. The watch's heart-piece can also be seen. It has a rate of 28,800 vibrations/hour - that's eight vibrations every second! To highlight this feature, the balance has been placed on the top so that the wearer can see its constant beating.



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***Mekanograph New York***

The hand-engraving you see on the dial takes 20 hours to complete, and it perfectly represents the New York emblematic buildings. At one o'clock, there is a small aperture where Louis Moinet has hidden a part of the only 'New York' meteorite in the world. It was bought in 1965 from a fisherman and is certified by the Meteoritical Society.

The left side, much like our human brain, is more mathematical and logical than artistic, and it shows the exposed movement, which is actually a certified chronometer. This mechanism won a prize in the 2013 international chronometry competition.



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***Stardance, the watch from the stars***

Stardance is an extraordinary watch for the modern woman. In order to create this timepiece, Louis Moinet had to be patient while waiting to obtain the extremely rare Enstatite EH3 meteorite, which contains nanodiamonds from space! What could be more romantic for the creation of a unique, elegant watch with the name 'Stardance'? The meteorite was then shaped by the most highly-skilled artisans to indicate the phases of the moon.



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### *Derrick Tourbillon*

Louis Moinet's Derrick Tourbillon is a horological world first, combining the regality of an intricately-engineered tourbillon with the powerful majesty of a fully working representation of an oil derrick.

This mechanism dominates the upper half of the dial, depicting all the iconic parts of a traditional oil well pumpjack, including the distinctive horse head, walking beam and samson posts, as well as the pitman arm, counter weight and crank.



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*Dragon Tourbillon*

This limited edition of 12 timepieces pays tribute to the legendary creature often associated with power and majesty: the Dragon. The dragon is entirely hand-engraved, and his body is made of authentic fossilized dinosaur bone!