
IWC LAUNCHES NEW PORTUGIESE PERPETUAL CALENDAR MODELS

Schaffhausen, 25 April 2020 – IWC Schaffhausen presents the Portugieser Perpetual Calendar 42. For the first time, the famous IWC calendar complication is integrated in an IWC-manufactured movement from the 82000-calibre family. The timepiece, which has a diameter of 42 millimetres, displays the calendar information on three subdials. IWC is also unveiling a boutique edition of the iconic 44-millimetre Portugieser Perpetual Calendar in 18-carat Armor Gold®.

Rigorously thought through and developed to meet users' needs with a focus on maximum autonomy and simple operation: No other complication expresses IWC's values quite as eloquently as the perpetual calendar developed by legendary watchmaker Kurt Klaus in the 1980s. For the **Portugieser Perpetual Calendar 42** (Ref. 3442), IWC has integrated the iconic complication for the first time with an in-house movement from the 82000-calibre family. Its compact dimensions have made it possible to offer the watch a diameter of just 42 millimetres. The IWC-manufactured 82650 calibre advances the calendar module with a single impulse during the night. The automatic Pellaton winding is equipped with zirconium oxide ceramic components and builds up a power reserve of 60 hours. The movement can be admired through the transparent sapphire glass back.

The perpetual calendar's mechanical programme independently recognises the different lengths of the months and adds an extra day at the end of February every four years. All the displays are perfectly synchronised with each other and can be adjusted simply via the crown. In this version of the calendar, the displays for the date, month and day of the week are distributed over three subdials at 3 o'clock, 6 o'clock and 9 o'clock. The perpetual moon phase display was integrated into the month display and deviates from the actual orbit of the moon by only one day after 577.5 years. An indicator in the weekday display counts the years until the next leap year.

Two models are housed in an 18-carat 5N gold case. The third one features a stainless steel case.

Ref. IW344203:

Stainless steel case, silver-plated dial, gold-plated hands and appliques, black alligator leather strap by Santoni.



Ref. IW344202:

18-carat 5N gold case, silver-plated dial, gold-plated hands, 18-carat gold appliques, brown alligator leather strap by Santoni.



Ref. IW344205 Boutique Edition:

18-carat 5N gold case, blue dial, gold-plated hands, 18-carat gold appliques, blue alligator leather strap by Santoni.



**BOUTIQUE EDITION OF THE
PORTUGIESER PERPETUAL CALENDAR**

The classic **Portugieser Perpetual Calendar** (Ref. 5033) with a 44-millimetre diameter displays the calendar information on four subdials. In addition to the displays for the date, day, month and moon phase, it features a four-digit year display, small seconds and a power reserve display. Newly available is a Boutique Edition with maritime-inspired design cues, an 18-carat Armor Gold® case, a blue dial and a blue alligator leather strap by Santoni.

Ref. IW503312 Boutique Edition:

18-carat Armor Gold® case, blue dial, gold-plated hands, 18-carat gold appliques, blue alligator leather strap by Santoni.



The timepiece is powered by the IWC-manufactured 52610 calibre, which features a bidirectional Pellaton winding system fitted with components made of virtually wear-free zirconium oxide ceramic. Two barrels build up a power reserve of seven days.

**PRACTICAL AND
USER-FRIENDLY**

Back in the 1980s, IWC's legendary watchmaker Kurt Klaus designed a perpetual calendar that comprised only about 80 individual parts. The complication premiered in the Da Vinci Perpetual Calendar (Ref. 3750) of 1985. For the first time, a perpetual calendar had a four-digit year display and a perpetual moon-phase display. A further attractive new feature was its high user-friendliness. All displays are perfectly synchronised and, if the watch has not been worn for some time, are easily advanced using only the crown. In 2003 the perpetual calendar appeared in the Portugieser family for the first time. The calendar module has been continuously improved over the years. It will require a correction only in 2100 because, due to a quirk of the Gregorian calendar, the leap year that would normally occur then, will be omitted.

PORTUGIESE PERPETUAL CALENDAR 42

REF. IW3442

FEATURES

Mechanical movement – Pellaton automatic winding system – perpetual calendar with display for the date, day, month, leap year and perpetual moon phase – central hacking seconds – see-through sapphire glass back

MOVEMENT

IWC manufacture calibre	82650
Frequency	28,800 vph/4 Hz
Jewels	46
Power reserve	60 h
Winding	Automatic

WATCH

Materials	Ref. IW344203: Stainless steel case, silver-plated dial, gold-plated hands and appliques, black alligator leather strap by Santoni Ref. IW344202: 18-carat 5N gold case, silver-plated dial, gold-plated hands, 18-carat gold appliques, brown alligator leather strap by Santoni Ref. IW344205: 18-carat 5N gold case, blue dial, gold-plated hands, 18-carat gold appliques, blue alligator leather strap by Santoni
Glass	Sapphire, convex, antireflective coating on both sides
Water-resistant	3 bar
Diameter	42.4 mm
Height	13.8 mm

PORTUGIESE PERPETUAL CALENDAR “BOUTIQUE EDITION”

REF. IW503312

FEATURES

Mechanical movement – Pellaton automatic winding system – power reserve display – perpetual calendar with displays for the date, day, month, year in four digits and perpetual moon phase – small hacking seconds – 18-carat gold oscillating weight – see-through sapphire glass back

MOVEMENT

IWC manufacture calibre	52610
Frequency	28,800 vph/4 Hz
Jewels	54
Power reserve	7 days (168 h)
Winding	Automatic

WATCH

Materials	18-carat Armor Gold® case, blue dial, gold-plated hands, 18-carat gold appliques, blue alligator leather strap by Santoni
Glass	Sapphire, arched edge, antireflective coating on both sides
Water-resistant	3 bar
Diameter	44.2 mm
Height	14.9 mm

IWC SCHAFFHAUSEN

In 1868, the American watchmaker and entrepreneur Florentine Ariosto Jones travelled from Boston to Switzerland and founded the 'International Watch Company' in Schaffhausen. His visionary dream was to combine advanced American manufacturing methods with the craftsmanship of Swiss watchmakers to make the best pocket watches of his time. In doing so, he not only laid the foundation for IWC's unique engineering approach but also established the centralised production of mechanical watches in Switzerland.

Over its 150 year history, IWC Schaffhausen has developed a reputation for creating functional complications, especially chronographs and calendars, which are ingenious, robust, and easy for customers to use. A pioneer in the use of titanium and ceramics, IWC today specialises in highly engineered technical watch cases manufactured from advanced materials, such as titanium-aluminide and Ceratanium®. Preferring the principle of "form follows function" over decoration, the Swiss watch manufacturer's timeless creations embody their owners' dreams and ambitions as they journey through life.

IWC sources materials responsibly and takes action to minimise its impact on the environment, creating intrinsically sustainable timepieces that are built to last for generations. The company prides itself in training its own future watchmakers and engineers, as well as offering an excellent working environment for all employees. IWC also partners with organisations that work globally to support children and young people.

DOWNLOADS

Photos of the Portugieser Perpetual Calendar 42 and the Portugieser Perpetual Calendar are available at press.iwc.com

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