



The Complications Vacheron Constantin Reference 57260

Introduction

Portable timekeepers have been a popular choice since the evolution of mechanical watches. And pocket watch is an old fashioned way of having a portable watch. But they are still produced for those watch lovers who crave a classic pocket watch. And Vacheron Constantin Reference 57260 is one of them.

The Reference 57260 Features

It took 8 years of research to develop and build the Reference 57260. The watch features 57 complications to make a unique yet [knock off watch](#). Let me tell you about those complications now:-

1. Armillary sphere tourbillon;
2. Triple-axis tourbillon;
3. World Time Indication with 12 hours and minutes, day, and day-night display;
4. Balance wheel with variable inertia and spherical hairspring;
5. Chronograph that features 60-minute and 12-hour totalizers;
6. Perpetual Gregorian Calendar;
7. ISO 8601 Financial "Business" Calendar with number of the day and week indication;
8. Indications for the day of the week, date, weeks, months, leap years;
9. Retrograde Date;
10. Hebraic Perpetual Calendar with date, name of the day and month, number of months (12 or 13) in the Hebraic year; secular calendar, century, decade and year;
11. Golden Number indication with 19-year cycle;
12. Sky chart.
13. Indicators for seasons and signs of the Zodiac;
14. Sunset and Sunrise indications;
15. Length of day and length of night;
16. Phases of the Moon;
17. Westminster chime for the sonnerie and repeater which feature 5 gongs and 5 hammers. They play the same tune as the great landmark, London's Big Ben.
18. A striking barrel disengaging system.
19. Silence, Chiming, and Night time modes.
20. Alarm with power-reserve and strike-silence indications. This include two different tones and you can choose between them when setting the alarm: Westminster chime or single-strike alarm.

Conclusion

Vacheron Constantin is a luxury watch manufacturing line from Richemont™. The company was founded at 1755 by Jean Marc Vacheron and Francois Constantin. It's headquarter is situated at Geneva Switzerland. The company lost a huge amount of revenue during Second World War. But they were able to come back in business in no time. One of their milestone is the Kallista, which is considered to be one of the most expensive wristwatches. It took the craftsmen 6000 hours to build the watch, and almost 20 months to enrich it with jewelries. The watch was initially valued by \$5 million. But the current value of the watch is \$11 million. And this really represents how far Vacheron Constantine will go for a unique timekeeper, just like the Reference 57260. But if you can't get one, then don't hesitate to admire the beauty of it. Just like Mike Ditka said, "If you're not in the parade, you watch the parade."

-George J.