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Press release

Patek Philippe celebrates the ten-year anniversary of its Aquanaut collection; with its contemporary design, this casually elegant timepiece has become a true classic.

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Introducing two new men's models with subtly reworked design features and two seductive new colors in the Aquanaut Luce ladies' line, Patek Philippe celebrates the tenth anniversary of the Aquanaut collection, its endearing interpretation of casual elegance. This youthful, striking, and dynamic watch collection is poised for continued success.

Superb sports appeal

Patek Philippe is world renowned for its design and executions of complicated timepieces. Moreover, the Geneva workshops also earned a unique reputation in the domain of contemporary watches by launching two lines that soon gained cult status. In 2006, the Nautilus turned thirty with an expanded and restyled collection. The Aquanaut was already a sensation when it had its debut in 1997 as a statement of casual elegance with a surprisingly progressive design. Its softly rounded octagonal case illustrated its kinship with the Nautilus. The black dial and strap featured an exclusive relieved pattern. It featured a "Tropical" strap, an extremely durable and water-resistant composite. With its stainless steel case, rare for a Patek Philippe, the Aquanaut projected its sports appeal but was endowed with all of the indispensable classic assets of a timepiece from the manufacturer in Geneva: precision, dependability, and superior craftsmanship. The innovative watch was available in three sizes and instantly captivated a youthful following of active and demanding individuals whose lifestyle was at once sophisticated and nonchalant. Indeed, the Aquanaut inspired an entire new generation to enter the prestigious culture of Patek Philippe. In 2004, the collection was enriched with a decidedly feminine model, the Aquanaut Luce. A watch for bold women with strong personalities and a flair for elegance, it featured a diamond-studded stainless steel case with matching dials and straps in dynamic colors.

Aquanaut for men: A new look with even more confidence

To mark the tenth anniversary of the Aquanaut collection, Patek Philippe subtly retouched the design of the basic model and introduced several technical and aesthetic refinements. The iconic octagonal case, inspired by a marine porthole, remains unchanged and is underscored by the satin finish of the bezel. The charcoal dial has a new structure with gently curved, embossed grooves that blend perfectly with the design of the watch. These innovative designs give the Aquanaut an even more dynamic, technical, and masculine look. The structure of the strap was also refined and with its flat sides emphasizes the sports appeal of the watch. The contour of the strap between the lugs is matched precisely with the curvature of the case, forming a visually seamless transition. To optimize the comfort factor, Patek Philippe redesigned the inside of the strap and its taper for a contoured fit on the wrist. Additionally, the workshops developed a new double-security fold-over clasp exclusively for the launch of the Aquanaut collection. The Aquanaut grande taille is available



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in “Extra large” and “Large” sizes. The case diameter of the stately “XL” model Ref. 5167 is 40 mm. The case of the “Large” model (Ref. 5165) is 38 mm, the same as its largest predecessor. These two men’s timepieces replace the previous generation which came in three sizes (Refs. 5064, 5065, and 5066). Technically, the new Aquanaut models possess the same quality and reliability features that made the collection such a success from the very beginning: screw-down crown, water resistance to 120 meters, luminous hands and hour markers. The composite “Tropical” strap is extraordinarily resistant to wear, salt water, and UV radiation. Both new self-winding models are powered by a caliber 315 S C manufacture movement and have been crafted to the benchmark quality standards upheld by Patek Philippe. The movement can be admired through the sapphire-crystal caseback.

**Aquanaut Luce:
Two new fashionable colors**

On its dials and straps, the Aquanaut Luce collection continues the tradition of the original relief pattern, which more than ever represents the ultimate Patek Philippe timepiece family for the casual elegant woman. Once again, the palette is reinvigorated, as it was in 2006, with two new exciting colors for the matching dials and straps: The delicate Ice Blue and sophisticated Metal Gray. These two timeless nuances interact beautifully with the sheen of the polished steel case and the elegance of the 46 flawless Top Wesselton diamonds on the bezel. The new colors are fresh and innovative colors that radiate feminine elegance in any season. Aquanaut Luce watches are also available in Mysterious Black, Pure White, and Purple. Black and White are the exclusive colors of the smaller models. The composite “Tropical” strap, hard-wearing, water-resistant, and luxuriously comfortable, incorporates a convenient stainless steel fold-over clasp. The case is water-resistant up to 120 m and features a screw-down crown. For ladies who wish to combine casual elegance with the attributes of Haute Horlogerie and Haute Joaillerie, the Aquanaut Luce also comes in an 18K white-gold case with pave set diamonds. The Aquanaut heart is a self-winding mechanical caliber 330 S C movement.

Patek Philippe has complemented the Aquanaut Luce collection with a white-gold ring that emulates the embossed pattern of the dial and strap. The exquisite and delicate piece, in diamond-set or pavé versions, comes with five interchangeable composite inserts from the 2007 Aquanaut Luce color palette.



Technical data

Aquanaut, Refs. 5167 and 5165 in steel

Movement:	Caliber 315 S C Self-winding mechanical movement
Diameter:	27 mm
Height:	3.22 mm
Number of parts:	213
Number of jewels:	29
Power reserve:	Max. 48 hours
Winding rotor:	21K gold central rotor, unidirectional winding
Balance:	Gyromax
Frequency:	21,600 semi-oscillations per hour (3 Hz)
Balance spring:	Flat
Functions:	Three-position crown: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pushed in: to wind watch - Pulled out halfway: to correct the date - Pulled out all the way: to set the time
Displays:	Hours, minutes and sweep seconds Date display in an aperture at 3 o'clock
Hallmark:	Geneva Seal
Features	
Case:	Polished steel, bezel and flank with vertical satin finish Water-resistant screw-down crown in steel Sapphire-crystal back
Case dimensions:	Ref. 5167, "extra large" Diameter (between 10 and 4 o'clock): 40 mm Thickness (crystal to back): 8.10 mm Thickness (crystal to lugs): 8.95 mm Ref. 5165, "large" Diameter (between 10 and 4 o'clock): 38 mm Thickness (crystal to back): 8.00 mm Thickness (crystal to lugs): 8.95 mm
Water resistance:	120 meters



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Dial:

Black, with new exclusive Aquanaut pattern
11 Arabic numerals in 18K white gold with luminescent coating
12 hour markers with luminescent coating
Pointed baton-style hour and minute hands in 18K white gold, with luminescent coating
Counterbalanced seconds hand , white transfer-printed

Strap:

Black "Tropical" composite integrated in the case. New exclusive Aquanaut pattern. New double-security steel foldover clasp with Calatrava cross





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Technical data

Aquanaut Luce, Ref. 5067 in steel

Movement:	Caliber E23 S C Quartz movement
Diameter:	23.90 mm
Height:	2.50 mm
Number of parts:	100
Number of jewels:	7
Quartz frequency:	32,768 Hz
Power source:	Silver-oxide battery, 1.55 V
Battery life:	2 years
Functions:	Three-position crown: - Pushed in: normal operation - Pulled out halfway: to correct the date - Pulled out all the way: to stop the movement and set the time
Displays:	Hours, minutes and sweep seconds Date display in an aperture at 3 o'clock
Features	
Case:	Steel, set with 46 flawless rare white Top Wesselton round diamonds 1.8 mm in diameter, totaling about 1 carat Water-resistant screw-down crown in steel
Case dimensions:	Diameter (between 10 and 4 o'clock): 36,3 mm Thickness (crystal to back): 7.70 mm Thickness (crystal to lugs): 8.20 mm
Water resistance:	120 meters
Dial:	- Mysterious Black - Pure White - Purple - Metal Gray - Ice Blue 11 Arabic numerals in 18K white gold 13 hour markers with luminescent coating Baton-style hour and minute hands in 18K white gold, with luminescent coating Counterbalanced seconds hand , white transfer-printed
Strap:	"Tropical" composite, available in black, white, purple, gray, and blue Fold-over clasp in steel with Calatrava cross



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Ring:

18K white gold set with 21 round Top Wesselton diamonds 1.55 mm in diameter, totaling about 0.32 ct. The Aquanaut Luce ring comes with 5 interchangeable composite inserts in black, white, purple, gray, and blue





Technical data

Aquanaut Luce, Ref. 5069 in 18K white gold

Movement:	Caliber 330 S C Self-winding mechanical movement
Diameter:	27 mm
Height:	3.50 mm
Number of parts:	217
Number of jewels:	29
Power reserve:	Min. 38 hours, max. 48 hours
Winding rotor:	21K gold central rotor, unidirectional winding
Balance:	4-arm Gyromax, 4 inertia blocks
Frequency:	21,600 semi-oscillations per hour (3 Hz)
Balance spring:	Flat
Functions:	Three-position crown: - Pushed in: to wind watch - Pulled out halfway: to correct the date - Pulled out all the way: to set the time
Displays:	Hours, minutes and sweep seconds Date display in an aperture at 3 o'clock
Hallmark:	Geneva Seal
Features	
Case:	18K white gold, water-resistant screw-down crown, sapphire-crystal back
Case dimensions:	Diameter (between 10 and 4 o'clock): 36,4 mm Thickness (crystal to back): 8.50 mm Thickness (crystal to lugs): 8.70 mm
Water resistance:	120 meters
Dial:	- Mysterious Black - Pure White - Purple - Metal Gray - Ice Blue 11 Arabic numerals in 18K white gold 13 hour markers with luminescent coating Baton-style hour and minute hands in 18K white gold, with luminescent coating Counterbalanced seconds hand, white transfer-printed



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Strap: “Tropical” composite, available in black, white, purple, gray, and blue
Fold-over clasp in 18K white gold with Calatrava cross

Precious stones

Case: 387 flawless rare white Top Wesselton round diamonds totaling about 3.63 ct.

Crown: 1 round Top Wesselton diamond 3.5 mm in diameter totaling about 0.14 ct.

Strap: Buckle set with 86 flawless rare white Top Wesselton round diamonds totaling about 0.56 ct.

Ring: 18K white gold set with 138 round Top Wesselton diamonds totaling about 0.99 ct. The Aquanaut Luce ring comes with 5 interchangeable composite inserts in black, white, purple, gray, and blue

