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HONG KONG IMPORTANT WATCHES AUTUMN SALE 28 November 2016

presents

- **Unique Reference 3843/1 from Patek Philippe featuring Portrait Diamond Crystal weighing 13.43 carats**
- **Simplicity from Philippe Dufour – the Model's Auction Debut with the Combination of a 37mm, White Gold Case and Silver Guilloché Engraved Dial**
- **Exquisite Clocks from 1980s by Cartier**
- **Vintage Watches from 1950s – 1980s**
- **Celebratory Auction of Patek Philippe Nautilus 40**



PATEK PHILIPPE.
A UNIQUE 18K WHITE GOLD TRIANGULAR BRACELET WATCH WITH 13.43 CARATS PORTRAIT DIAMOND CRYSTAL, REF. 3843/1, MANUFACTURED IN 1991
HK\$ 2,800,000 – 4,800,000/
US\$ 370,000 – 620,000



PHILIPPE DUFOUR.
AN 18K WHITE GOLD WRISTWATCH, SIMPLICITY MODEL, CIRCA 2003,
First example to be offered at auction
HK\$ 800,000 – 1,400,000/
US\$ 110,000 – 180,000



CARTIER.
AN 18K GOLD, DIAMOND, YELLOW DIAMOND, RUBY, EMERALD, SAPPHIRE, MOTHER-OF-PEARL AND ONYX-SET PENDULE À CERCLE TOURNANT MANTEL CLOCK, 1990'S, THE PROPERTY OF A PRIVATE EUROPEAN COLLECTOR
HK\$ 1,600,000 – 3,200,000/
US\$ 200,000 – 400,000



ROLEX.
A STAINLESS STEEL TRIPLE CALENDAR CHRONOGRAPH WRISTWATCH WITH BRACELET, OYSTER PERPETUAL CHRONOGRAPH, ANTI-MAGNETIC, REF. 6036, CIRCA 1953
HK\$ 1,200,000 – 2,200,000/
US\$ 160,000 – 280,000



PATEK PHILIPPE.
AN 18K WHITE GOLD, DIAMOND AND SAPPHIRE-SET AUTOMATIC WRISTWATCH WITH SWEEP CENTRE SECONDS, DATE AND BRACELET. REF.3800/108, MANUFACTURED IN 1987
HK\$ 500,000 – 800,000/
US\$ 65,000 – 100,000

Hong Kong – In celebration of Christie's global 250th Anniversary, an Important Watches Autumn Sale will take place in Hong Kong on 28 November, presenting a consolidated offering of **330 lots** across various price points. Leading the sale is a **one-and-only reference 3843/1** from master watch manufacturer **Patek Philippe**. The watch's unique triangular case is specially commissioned to house a **portrait diamond** of **13.43 carats** as its crystal. The combination of rarity and luxury makes it one of the most resplendent timepieces any enthusiasts could desire to own. (Estimate: HK\$2,800,000 – 4,800,000/ US\$370,000 – 620,000).

Other highlights from *Patek Philippe* that evoke scarcity and unrivalled craftsmanship include an **18K white gold minute repeating tourbillon wristwatch ref. 3939HG manufactured in 1994**, believed to be one of the only 3 examples of such reference in white gold ever appeared in public to date (Estimate: HK\$1,760,000 – 3,200,000/ US\$225,000 – 400,000); a **modern classic perpetual calendar split seconds chronograph wristwatch in platinum ref. 5004P circa. 1997**, which Christie's understands, has never been offered in public before (Estimate: HK\$1,250,000 – 2,000,000/ US\$170,000 – 260,000); a **very fine and rare ref. 5959P in platinum** which pays modern tribute to the revered Genevoise house and is seemingly a debut in auction (Estimate: HK\$1,280,000–2,080,000/ US\$170,000–270,000).

Watch connoisseurs constantly seeking **innovative timepieces** will be delighted this season, as our watch specialists have specially curated an exciting array of masterpieces by independent watchmakers such as **Philippe Dufour, F.P. Journe, Greubel Forsey, MB&F, Richard Mille** and many more. The most sought-after watch in this section is undoubtedly the **Simplicity by Philippe Dufour** (Estimate: HK\$ 800,000 – 1,400,000/ US\$ 110,000 – 180,000) , a superb masterpiece by the legendary Swiss watchmaker that embodies his personal values of dedication and passion. A pure perfection in its finish, this Simplicity with its attractive combination of a **37mm. white gold case and silver guilloché engraved dial**, represents the auction debut for this model.

Also featured in this sale is an eclectic and extremely impressive selection of **clocks made by Cartier in the 1980s**. Since the end of the 19th century, Cartier had been producing an awe-inspiring array of clocks which perfectly demonstrated the maison's technical brilliance in their fabulous forms and colours, the choice of precious material and stones and the application of jewellery techniques. Offered in this sale are **three splendid mystery clocks from the 1980s** (the outbreak of World War II led to a hiatus of 40 years before Cartier recommenced production in 1981), made following the same procedures which necessitate the perfect synchronization of a team of lapidaries, gem-setters, watchmakers and enamellists who spend between eight to twelve months to produce a single clock. Drawing from the audacious and exotic themes of the mystery clocks of the 1920s and 30s and armed with the knowledge of old craftsmen, these three mystery clocks clearly confirm the continuous creative and technical genius of Cartier and their craftsmen and designers.

To fuel the growing interest in vintage watches among young watch admirers, this sale will showcase an exceptional assortment of **heritage timepieces from 1950s – 1980s** by esteemed manufacturers **Patek Philippe, Rolex, Omega, Longines** and many more. Of particular interest is a fine selection of watches from a visionary and highly regarded collector, who saw the trend of the watch market towards vintage watches, long before many others. In his tireless pursuit to own an incredible cross section of watches, he has acquired wonderful examples of watches which, at the time were not held in high regard and passed relatively unnoticed, but are now becoming more and more desirable. Given that these watches are no longer in production, this collection provides a notable opportunity for watch lovers to fulfil their constant quest for uniqueness and individuality in their collection.

Furthermore, to commemorate the **40th anniversary** of the **Patek Philippe Nautilus**, following the celebratory auctions in Dubai and Geneva, a selection of 10 examples of the Nautilus will be offered in Hong Kong. The top lot in this section is a **very rare diamond-set reference 3800/108 in 18k white gold**, a highly jeweled example of the model made in very limited quantities (Estimate: HK\$ 500,000 – 800,000/US\$ 65,000 – 100,000).

Mary Lee, Vice President, Senior Specialist, Head of Sale, Watch Department, Christie's, commented, "This autumn, on the auspicious occasion of Christie's 250th Anniversary, we have curated a sale that represents the core values of our company. We honour heritage and tradition by presenting a fine selection of vintage timepieces as well as iconic examples from the world's most renowned watchmakers. We also celebrate the pioneering and innovative spirit of Independent watchmakers, as well as one of the world's most renowned designers Gerald Genta and his celebrated Nautilus. We aim to foster an even closer relationship with our local and international watch lovers by offering an exciting sale of the finest and most exciting vintage and modern timepieces across all price points. We anticipate a highly energized saleroom with bidding from around the world. "

PATEK PHILIPPE HIGHLIGHTS



A PLATINUM PERPETUAL
CALENDAR SPLIT SECONDS
CHRONOGRAPH WRISTWATCH
WITH MOON PHASES, 24 HOUR
AND LEAP YEAR INDICATION,
REF. 5004P,
MANUFACTURED IN 1997
HK\$ 1,250,000 – 2,000,000/
US\$170,000 – 260,000



AN 18K WHITE GOLD MINUTE
REPEATING TOURBILLON
WRISTWATCH WITH ENAMEL DIAL
AND BREGUET NUMERALS,
REF. 3939HG,
MANUFACTURED IN 1994
HK\$ 1,760,000 – 3,200,000/
US\$ 225,000 – 400,000



A VERY FINE AND RARE PLATINUM
SPLIT SECONDS CHRONOGRAPH
WRISTWATCH WITH BREGUET
NUMERALS, ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE
AND BOX,
REF. 5959P,
MANUFACTURED IN 2007
HK\$ 1,280,000 – 2,080,000
US\$ 170,000 – 270,000

TIMEPIECES BY INDEPENDENT WATCHMAKERS & BRANDS



GREUBEL FORSEY.

A PLATINUM 25° INCLINED 24 SECONDS TOURBILLON DUAL TIME
ZONE WORLD TIME ASYMMETRICAL WRISTWATCH WITH POWER
RESERVE AND 3D GLOBE, GMT MODEL, NO. 34, CIRCA 2014
HK\$1,650,000 – 2,450,000/
US\$ 220,000 – 320,000



F.P. JOURNE.

A PLATINUM TOURBILLON WRISTWATCH WITH CONSTANT
FORCE WINDING, POWER RESERVE, DEAD BEAT SECONDS,
BRACELET AND JADE DIAL, TOURBILLON SOUVERAIN,
CIRCA 2015
HK\$ 800,000 – 1,200,000/
US\$ 110,000 – 160,000

EXQUISITE CLOCKS BY CARTIER



A POSSIBLY UNIQUE 18K GOLD, DIAMOND,
MOTHER-OF-PEARL, QUARTZ AND
OBSIDIAN-SET MYSTERY CLOCK,
“FLOWER MYSTERY CLOCK”,
CIRCA 1990
HK\$ 800,000 – 1,200,000/
US\$ 110,000 – 160,000



A POSSIBLY UNIQUE 18K GOLD, DIAMOND, YELLOW
DIAMOND, RUBY, TURQUOISE, LAPIS LAZULI,
MOTHER-OF-PEARL AND ROCK CRYSTAL DOUBLE-
DIALED HOUR GLASS MANTEL CLOCK, “LE SABLIER
AUX CHIMERA”, 1990’S, THE PROPERTY OF A
PRIVATE EUROPEAN COLLECTOR
HK\$ 1,400,000 – 2,300,000/
US\$ 190,000 – \$300,000



A UNIQUE PLATINUM, 18K WHITE GOLD, SAPPHIRE,
EMERALD, CHALCEDONY, LAPIS LAZULI AND BLACK
MOTHER-OF-PEARL DOUBLE-DIALED MANTEL CLOCK
“RECTO VERSO CLOCK”, NO. 1/1,
CIRCA 1997
HK\$ 560,000 – 1,100,000
US\$ 73,000 – 140,000

VINTAGE WATCHES



ROLEX.

A STAINLESS STEEL CHRONOGRAPH WRISTWATCH WITH BRACELET AND "FLOATING DAYTONA DOUBLE SWISS" DIAL, DAYTONA, REF. 6239, CIRCA 1964
**HK\$ 400,000 – 650,000/
 US\$ 52,000 – 84,000**



ROLEX.

A STAINLESS STEEL AUTOMATIC WRISTWATCH WITH BRACELET, SWEEP CENTRE SECONDS AND RED DEPTH RATING, SUBMARINER, REF. 6536/1, CIRCA 1955
**HK\$ 400,000 – 650,000/
 US\$ 52,000 – 84,000**



PATEK PHILIPPE.

A 18K GOLD AUTOMATIC PERPETUAL CALENDAR BRACELET WATCH WITH MOON PHASES, ROMAN LEAP YEAR INDICATION, REF. 3450/1, MANUFACTURED IN 1985
**HK\$ 1,000,000 – 2,000,000/
 US\$ 130,000 – 260,000**

MODERN COMPLICATIONS



A. LANGE & SÖHNE.

AN 18K GOLD LIMITED EDITION TOURBILLON WRISTWATCH WITH CHAIN FUSÉE AND POWER RESERVE, POUR LE MÉRITE MODEL, NO. 37/150, CIRCA 1997
**HK\$ 1,000,000 – 2,000,000
 US\$ 130,000 – 260,000**



ULYSSE NARDIN.

A PLATINUM MINUTE REPEATING WRISTWATCH WITH THREE AUTOMATON JACQUEMARTS SCENE AND FELDSPAR DIAL, TRIPLE JACK MINUTE REPEATER MODEL, NO. 13, CIRCA 2007
**HK\$ 600,000 – 1,000,000
 US\$ 78,000 – 130,000**



JAEGER-LECOULTRE.

A PLATINUM LIMITED EDITION SEMI-SKELETONISED PERPETUAL CALENDAR MULTI-AXIS SPHERICAL TOURBILLON WRISTWATCH WITH RETROGRADE DAY, MONTH AND LEAP YEAR INDICATION, 8 DAY POWER RESERVE AND EQUATION OF TIME, GYROTOURBILLON 1 MODEL, NO. 23/75, CIRCA 2006
**HK\$ 1,000,000 – 1,800,000/
 US\$ 130,000 – 230,000**

SCINTILLATING BEJEWELLED WATCHES



CARTIER.

A LADY'S 18K WHITE GOLD, DIAMOND, EMERALD AND ONYXSET WRISTWATCH WITH BRACELET, PANTHÈRE CAPTIVE MODEL, CIRCA 2015
**HK\$ 800,000 – 1,200,000/
 US\$ 110,000 – 160,000**



VAN CLEEF & ARPELS.

A LADY'S VERY FINE 18K WHITE GOLD AND DIAMOND-SET BI-RETROGRADE WRISTWATCH WITH ENAMEL DIAL, LADY ARPELS FÉERIE MODEL, REF. HH 65620, CIRCA 2014
**HK\$ 250,000 – 400,000/
 US\$ 33,000 – 52,000**



CORUM.

AN 18K WHITE GOLD, DIAMOND AND RUBY-SET, LIMITED EDITION SKELETONISED TOURBILLON WRISTWATCH, HERITAGE ARTISANS CLASSICAL BILLIONAIRE TOURBILLON MODEL, NO. 3/3, CIRCA 2013
**HK\$ 550,000 – 800,000
 US\$ 72,000 – 100,000**

CELEBRATORY AUCTION of PATEK PHILIPPE NAUTILUS 40



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