

Maîtres du Temps

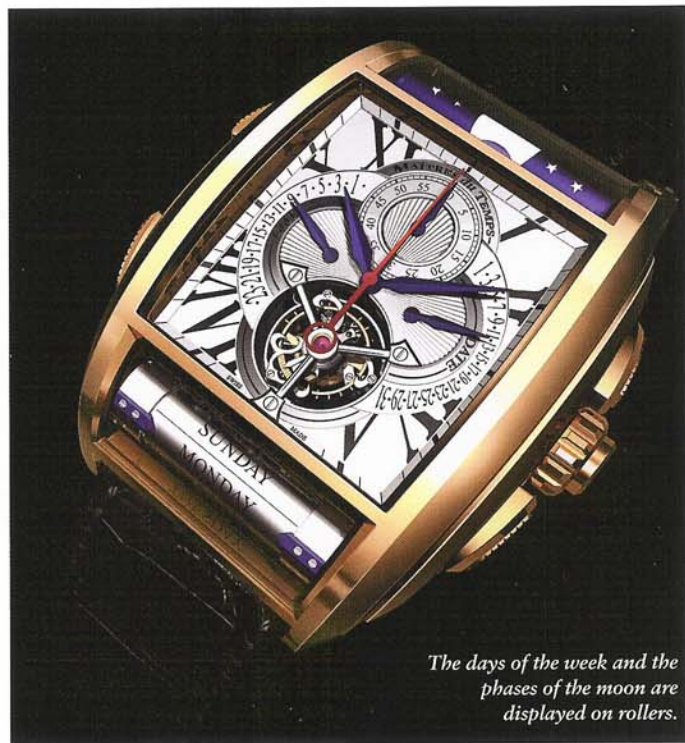
THE APPROPRIATELY named Chapter One is the first fruit of the new Maîtres du Temps (Masters of Time) brand, which will feature watches made by teams of well-known watchmakers. The brand's founder is Steven Holtzman, former U.S. distributor of the Roger Dubuis brand. Chapter One is the work of Peter Speake-Marin, Roger Dubuis and Christophe Claret. It's a mono-pusher, column-wheel chronograph with a gaggle of other functions and features: a tourbillon, a retrograde date (at 3 o'clock), a retrograde GMT (at 9 o'clock) and, on the upper and lower sides of the case, respectively, horizontal, roller-like displays showing the moon-phase and the day of the week.



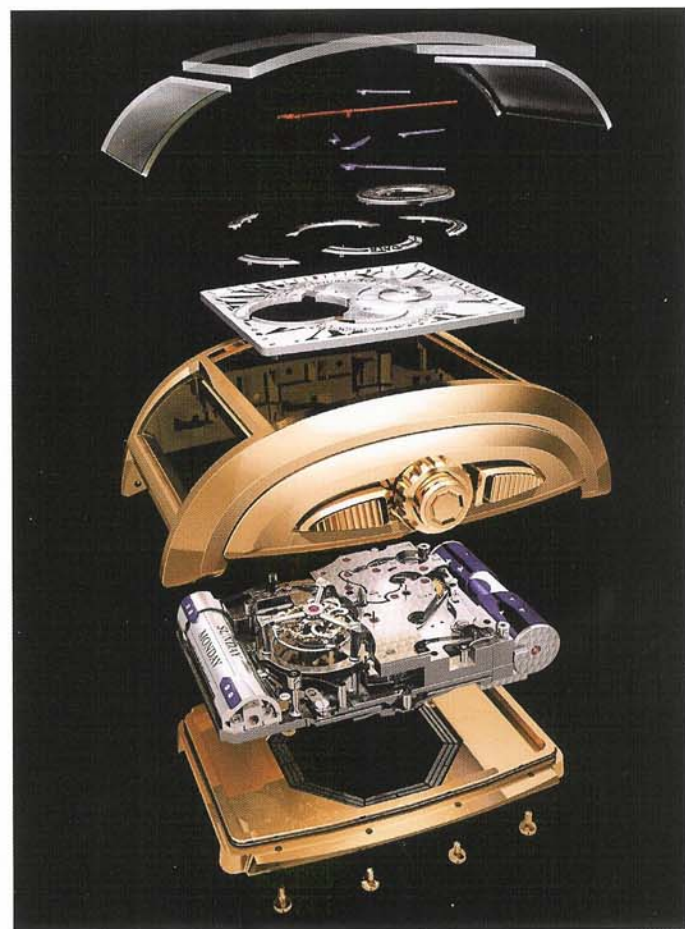
The team behind the brand: watchmakers Peter Speake-Marin, Roger Dubuis and Christophe Claret, and brand founder Steven Holtzman

The day display begins to change about one hour before midnight, and then, right before the witching hour, flips quickly to show the new day. This mechanism alone took two years to develop, the company says. The movement (Caliber SHC02, 58 jewels, 60-hour power reserve) consists of 558 individual parts; the elaborate case with the octagonal viewing window in its back is composed of more than 100 components. It measures 62.6 mm by 45.9 mm. The chronograph's push-piece is integrated into the crown; the other push-pieces are used to adjust the various functions. For safety's sake, they're locked and must first

be shifted slightly to the side before the adjustment process can be triggered. The watch comes in white gold, rose gold or titanium, and is being manufactured in a limited series of 33 pieces. The first was scheduled for delivery in June, to be followed by an additional three pieces per month. The price for each is \$400,000. For Chapter Two, which will be introduced next year, Speake-Marin will collaborate with the Vaucher movement manufacturer in Fleurier, Switzerland.



The days of the week and the phases of the moon are displayed on rollers.



The elaborately crafted case contains a movement made of 558 components.