

## chapter one

**Maitres du Temps takes watch making to design and engineering heights with a single model born out of the collaboration of three of horology's biggest names: Christophe Claret, Roger Dubuis and Peter Speake-Marin. Aptly called Chapter One, it is the first collection of this most ambitious and innovative new brand founded by watch executive Steven Holtzman.**

This watch will incorporate the best that each watch specialist has to offer: Claret's mastery of complications including minute-repeater movements, Dubuis' experience in design and Speake-Marin's exposure in bridging traditional and modern watch making.

No other wristwatch before the curved rectangular Chapter One has ever had a tourbillon movement incorporating a mono-pusher column wheel chronograph, retrograde date, retrograde GMT and phase of the moon and day of the week displayed in their own rolling bars. These rolling bars are large enough to be easily read yet small enough to be light and fitted into the case. Another outstanding feature (among the myriad design details and technological innovations) is the small window between the day roller and tourbillon which allows a unique view of the gyrating tourbillon cage.

Words: Kitty Go

With perfection comes a price and of course, exclusivity. Only 33 pieces of Chapter One at US\$400,000 have gone into production for a December 2008 delivery. Another 33 with the same movement will be produced in a round case and will be launched in Geneva in January 2009 at the Salon International de la Haute Horlogerie (SIHH). There will be a 'more affordable' Chapter Two with less complications and higher production involving Dubuis, Speake-Marin and Daniel Roth, which will launch in March/April 2009 at the Basel Watch Fair. ●