

The Oyster Perpetual
SUBMARINER




ROLEX

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40 mm in steel

The Oyster Perpetual Submariner is the quintessential divers' watch, the benchmark in its genre. Introduced in 1953 during the pioneering era for scuba diving, it was the first watch to be water-resistant to 100 metres (330 feet). This iconic timepiece has since evolved with a series of patented Rolex technical innovations, guaranteeing its reliability and precision down to depths of 300 metres (1,000 feet). At home in the oceans, where it remains an indispensable instrument for every diver, the Submariner has also conquered terra firma as the watch of action with a rugged elegance of its own. The Submariner is available with and without date function.



Style of the Submariner

THE ARCHETYPE OF THE DIVER'S WATCH

The Oyster Perpetual Submariner's robust and functional design swiftly became iconic. With their subtly redesigned Oyster case, distinctive dial with large luminescent hour markers, graduated rotatable Cerachrom bezel and solid link Oyster bracelet, the latest generation Submariner and Submariner Date are firmly in line with the original model launched in 1953. Equally at home underwater and at a gala dinner, the Submariner models set new standards of robustness, reliability, comfort and timeless sporting style.



Function of the Submariner

UNIDIRECTIONAL ROTATABLE BEZEL



The Submariner's rotatable bezel is a key functionality of the watch. Its engraved 60-minute graduations allow a diver to accurately and safely monitor diving time and decompression stops. Manufactured by Rolex from a hard, corrosion-resistant ceramic, the Cerachrom bezel insert is virtually scratchproof. A luminescent capsule on the zero marker ensures legibility, no matter how dark the environment. The bezel's knurled edge is carefully designed to offer excellent grip under water, even with gloves.





Function of the Submariner

THE OYSTER CASE

The Submariner's Oyster case, guaranteed waterproof to a depth of 300 metres (1,000 feet), provides the high-precision Perpetual movement with optimal protection from water, dust, pressure and shocks. The middle case is crafted from a solid block of particularly corrosion-resistant 904L steel or 18 ct gold with an integral crown guard. The case back, with its characteristic fluting, is hermetically screwed down with a special tool exclusive to Rolex watchmakers. The winding crown – fitted with the patented Triplock triple waterproofness system – screws down securely against the case, ensuring watertight security akin to a submarine's hatch. The crystal is made of virtually scratchproof synthetic sapphire.



Function of the Submariner

BLUE LUMINESCENCE

The Chromalight display on the dial is an innovation that pushes the boundaries of visibility in dark environments. The blue glow lasts up to eight hours with a uniform luminosity throughout, practically twice as long as that of standard luminescent materials.

Spirit of the Submariner

UNDERWATER WORLDS

Since time immemorial, mankind has been spellbound by the sea and the mystery of its uncharted depths. The deep remained beyond reach until the irrepressible desire for exploration, coupled with boundless human ingenuity, gave rise to the technology that would enable men to catch a glimpse of the underwater world. The Submariner was first created in the pioneering era of scuba diving.





Spirit of the Submariner

BIRTH OF THE ROLEX OYSTER

The Oyster case is a central part of Rolex's history. Clamped shut like an oyster shell, it could survive under water thanks to two major innovations: a screw-down back and bezel and a screw-down waterproof winding crown. Invented by Rolex in 1926, the Oyster case was put to a real-life test a year later when Mercedes Gleitze, a young sportswoman, swam the English Channel wearing a Rolex Oyster. After more than 10 hours in the cold water, her watch remained fully functional, firmly establishing Rolex's legendary underwater expertise.



Spirit of the Submariner

1953 - 1959 - 2008

Introduced in 1953, the Submariner was the first watch to be water-resistant down to 100 metres (330 feet). It was designed specifically for underwater exploration and diving, with a strong stainless steel bracelet and an extra-robust, waterproof Oyster case. Subsequent advances eventually increased the Submariner's waterproofness to 300 metres (1,000 feet) – the depth to which today's Submariner can safely be submerged. In 2008, the re-styled Submariner was enhanced with a new rotatable bezel equipped with a nearly scratchproof Cerachrom insert featuring graduations in gold or platinum.

THE ORIGINS
1953



Spirit of the Submariner

A PERFECT
PARTNER ON LAND
OR IN THE SEA

We invented the Submariner to work perfectly 660 feet
under the sea. It seems to work pretty well at any level.
ROLEX 1965 ADVERTISING





Spirit of the Submariner

DAVID DOUBILET



Underwater photographer. Explorer. Artist. Marine naturalist and protector of the Ocean habitat. Author of a dozen books on the sea. For 50 years, David Doubilet's passion has illuminated the hidden depths of the Earth.



Features

CERAMIC BEZEL

Manufactured by Rolex from an extremely hard ceramic material since 2005, the exclusive Cerachrom bezel insert and monobloc bezel have excellent anti-corrosion properties and keep their vibrant colours over time. They are virtually scratchproof, and are unaffected by exposure to sunlight as well as to chlorinated or sea water. To inscribe the numerals and graduations on such a hard material, Rolex developed a unique process which culminates in their being coated with a thin layer of yellow gold or platinum. It takes 40 hours to produce each Cerachrom bezel. At Rolex, no measure is too extreme in the pursuit of beauty and function.

Features

THE TRIPLOCK WINDING CROWN

The Triplock winding crown is a patented triple waterproofness system designed especially for divers' watches. Developed by Rolex, it resists water pressure to depths of 300 metres (1,000 feet) on the Submariner models and some other Professional models, and 3,900 metres (12,800 feet) on the Rolex Deepsea. First introduced in 1970, the Triplock system consists of 10 different elements crafted from the most reliable materials. The winding crown screws down against the Oyster case as tightly and hermetically as a submarine's hatch.





Features

OYSTER BRACELET



The Oyster bracelet is a perfect alchemy of form and function, aesthetics and technology, designed to be both robust and comfortable. It is equipped with an Oysterlock clasp, which prevents accidental opening, and an ingenious Glidelock, allowing fine adjustments of the bracelet without using any tools - and allowing it to be worn and comfortably over a diving suit.



Features

PERPETUAL MOVEMENT

The Submariner and Submariner Date models are equipped with calibre 3130 and calibre 3135 respectively, self-winding mechanical movements entirely developed and manufactured by Rolex. Like all Rolex Perpetual movements, the 3130 and 3135 are certified Swiss chronometers, a designation reserved for high-precision watches that have successfully passed the Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute (COSC) tests. They are fitted with a Parachrom hairspring, offering greater resistance to shocks and to temperature variations. Their architecture, in common with all Oyster watch movements, makes them singularly reliable.

Features

CERTIFIED SWISS CHRONOMETER



The four simple words Superlative Chronometer Officially Certified on a Rolex watch dial mean that the very movement inside the timepiece has endured 15 days and nights of testing by COSC (Contrôle Officiel Suisse des Chronomètres – Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute), an independent not-for-profit association.

To receive COSC certification as a Swiss chronometer, a watch must demonstrate extreme precision in a variety of positions and temperatures. Rolex is unique in the industry: this is the standard level of quality required of every Rolex wristwatch movement.



The Submariner Collection
SUBMARINER

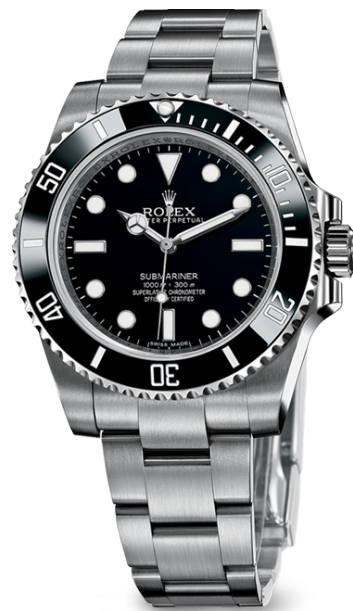
CASE 40 mm

904L steel

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple
waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



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The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

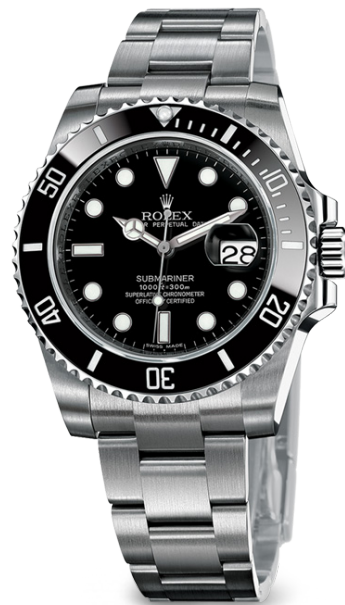
CASE 40 mm

904L steel

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple
waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



116610LN

The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

CASE 40 mm

904L steel

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple
waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



116610LV

The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

CASE 40 mm

904L steel and 18 ct yellow gold

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple
waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



116613LB

The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

CASE 40 mm

904L steel and 18 ct yellow gold

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



116613LN



116613LN

The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

CASE 40 mm

18 ct yellow gold

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



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The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

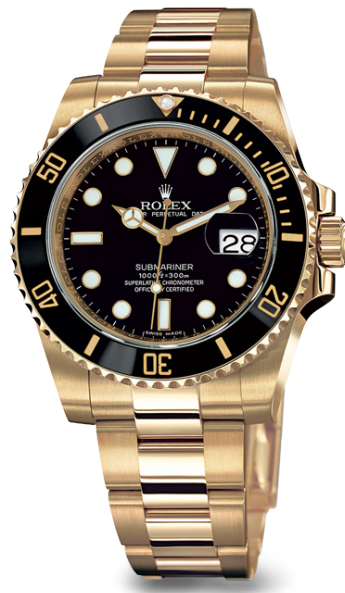
CASE 40 mm

18 ct yellow gold

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple
waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



116618LN

The Submariner Collection

SUBMARINER DATE

CASE 40 mm

18 ct white gold

Waterproof to 300 metres / 1,000 feet

Triplock winding crown with triple
waterproofness system

MOVEMENT Mechanical, self-winding



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