



LOUIS MOINET  
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## DRAGON TOURBILLON

Louis Moinet presents Dragon Tourbillon, his new artistic timepiece in a limited edition of 12 pieces.

### **Dragon**

A legendary creature, symbol of power, the Dragon is a gigantic scaly reptile, capable of flight. Objects representing a Dragon were found in a tomb as early as 3500 years ago!

Slender and airy, powerful and revered, the Dragon has the body of a snake, the scales and tail of a fish, the face of a qilin, a fabulous hybrid animal with the antlers of a stag and the appearance of a horse or a stag. He also has the talons of an eagle and the eyes of a demon.

The Dragon flies in the sky and generally plays with a pearl of fire. This pearl is believed to give him his power.

### **Hand engraving**

Engraving the Dragon requires more than 50 hours of work, and is done entirely by hand using a piece of 18K white gold. A particular fine jewellery technique – rarely applied to watchmaking – enables the alternation from charcoal-grey to polished gold, and brings the Dragon's body to life. This is structured in a figure of eight, a number considered to be very lucky in Chinese culture.

Through its ruby eyes, the Dragon watches the pearl of fire, represented in black jade in the centre of the watch.

### **Exceptional materials**

The body of the dragon has been cut out so as to reveal the fossilised dinosaur bone believed to be around 150 million years old. Is the Dragon, a descendant from the large extinct reptiles of the cretaceous period? History cannot say. But the red and orangey hues of the dinosaur bone certainly help to bring the Dragon to life!

The rest of the dial is made out of black jade, which highlights the Dragon's body in its figure of eight.

The DRAGON Tourbillon is presented in an exceptional 18K rose gold case composed of 59 different components and equipped with the Louis Moinet signature crown guard. The latter invention consists of an independent stem integrated within a watertight system and held with a plate secured by four screws. It represents a major advantage in facilitating servicing, compared to traditionally soldered stems.

The view through the DRAGON Tourbillon display-back is almost as spectacular as the dial side, with the 'octopus spring' of the winding and setting mechanism taking centre stage. This ingenious component is effectively three springs in one – pull-out piece spring, lever spring and click spring – all radiating from the centre like the swirling legs of an octopus. The movement is engraved with Louis Moinet's Côtes du Jura motif.

## Technical specifications

### Features and functions

Exclusive tourbillon escapement  
Central hour and minutes

### Movement

Exclusive tourbillon escapement  
Winding Manual  
Mechanism visible through the case-back with “octopus” spring  
Oscillations 21,600 vph  
Frequency 3 Hz  
Lines 14 ½  
Power reserve 72 hours  
Tourbillon cage One full rotation every 60 seconds  
Jewels 19  
Escapement Side lever  
Decoration “Côtes du Jura” ® engraving, blued steel screws

### Case

Original design by Louis Moinet®, made up of 59 parts  
Material 18K rose gold  
Case diameter 47 mm  
Water-resistance 30 metres  
Caseback Secured with 6 screws, engraved with individual number and Louis Moinet markings  
Crystals Two anti-reflective sapphire crystals

### Dial

The Dragon is entirely hand-engraved, from a piece of 18K white gold. The rest of the dial is made out of black jade, which highlights the Dragon’s body in its figure of eight.

### Strap

Strap Ostrich leather, hand-sewn, width between lugs : 24 mm  
Buckle 18K rose gold folding clasp with Louis Moinet symbol

Presentation box Extra large Louis Moinet Book  
Rarity Limited Edition of 12 pieces  
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