

Traditionnelle world time

- Simultaneous readings of 37 time zones
- An enamelled miniature world map
- Easy adjustment of all functions via the crown
- 10-piece platinum limited edition

An eloquent expression of Geneva's most demanding Fine Watchmaking traditions, the Traditionnelle collection welcomes an exclusive version of the famous Vacheron Constantin world time model presented in 2011. Simultaneously displaying 37 of the world's time zones, this travel watch with a three-part dial is adorned with a hand-enamelled gold world map. Depicted in subtly graded shades of blue, the seas and continents composed a miniature work resulting from patient and meticulous craftsmanship and brimming with graphic details and depth effects. A blend of artisanal refinement and perfect technical mastery, the new Traditionnelle world time is distinguished by its user friendliness enhanced by the crown-operated activation of all functions. This Hallmark of Geneva certified model appears attired in precious platinum for a 10-piece limited edition.

Enamelling expertise

This remarkable edition is joining the Traditionnelle collection by Vacheron Constantin, an eloquent expression of Geneva's Fine Watchmaking traditions inherited from the 18th century. Crafted in opaque enamel and *grisaille* enamel, its dial highlights the horological expertise of the Manufacture, conveyed through traditional decorative crafts perpetuated across the centuries. The distinctive and sophisticated world time display, composed of three superimposed discs, is enhanced by a miniature enamelled gold world map.

The seas, portrayed in an opaque blue shade of enamel, accentuate every detail of the continents they surround. The strikingly realistic coastal and land reliefs take on subtle shades of blue and white, achieved using the *grisaille* enamel technique. This delicate paint, composed of Limoges white – an extremely rare and fine powder mixed with oils – is applied to the dark enamel in tiny touches and meticulously drawn out using needles and brushes. This material is particularly difficult to work with and calls for dexterity, experience and extreme precision in adjusting the firing times – to the nearest second – for each layer applied. Opaque enamel calls for equally painstaking care and can tolerate no flaws, since the light directly strikes even the slightest bump or rough patch, instead of being absorbed by the translucent nature of a traditional enamel. This technique used for the world map is picked up on the 24-hour disc bearing gold hour-markers and the 37 city names painted on dark blue opaque enamel. They appear in white for those representing time zones with a full-hour time difference and in sky blue for those with half-hour or quarter-hour time differences, all swept over by 18-carat gold hands and rimmed by a minute ring. After 20 hours of decorative craftsmanship and ten firings, the tableau springs to life, graced with a wealth of fine details and fascinating light effects.



Elegance and convenience

The Traditionnelle world time model frames this exceptional dial with a precious 42.5 mm-diameter case, water-resistant to 30 metres and housing Caliber 2460 WT, developed and manufactured by Vacheron Constantin. In addition to central hours, minutes and seconds hands, this mechanical self-winding movement also drives a combination of original functions: simultaneous reading of 37 world time zones – including those offset by a half-hour or quarter-hour compared with Coordinated Universal Time – along with a day/night indication and simplified adjustment of all these indications via the crown. Its rating precision is further ensured by a stop-seconds system. Set to winter time in the Northern hemisphere, 225-part Caliber 2460 WT features a 22-carat gold oscillating weight, a balance wheel beating at a frequency of 4 Hz (28,800 vibrations/hour) and a 40-hour power reserve.

The limited edition – available exclusively from Vacheron Constantin boutiques – consists of ten individually numbered watches bearing the prestigious Hallmark of Geneva and fitted with an elegant blue *Mississippiensis* alligator leather strap with large square scales and a platinum triple folding clasp.



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TECHNICAL DATA

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Référence	86060/000P-9772 Hallmark of Geneva certified timepiece Piece only available through the Vacheron Constantin Boutiques
Calibre	2460 WT Developed and manufactured by Vacheron Constantin Mechanical, self-winding 36.6 mm (1 1/4") diameter, 7.55 mm thick Approximately 40 hours of power reserve 4 Hz (28,800 vibrations/hour) 255 components 27 jewels
Indications	Hours, minutes, center seconds World time indication (37 cities) Day/night indication
Boîtier	Platinum 950 42.5 mm diameter, 11.62 mm thick Transparent sapphire crystal caseback Water-resistance tested at a pressure of 3 bar (approx. 30 meters)
Cadran	Superposition of 3 dials: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gold disc with enamelled map and cities names• 24-hour disc with day/night indication (18:30 to 6:30 indications highlighted with a dark blue background)• External ring with painted minute-track
Strap	Dark blue <i>Mississippiensis</i> alligator leather strap with alligator leather inner shell, hand-stitched, saddle-finish, large square scales
Fermeoir	Platinum 950 folding clasp Polished half Maltese cross-shaped

Limited and numbered edition of 10 pieces
« Limited Edition » and « X/10 » engraved on the back of the timepiece