BLACK BAY FIFTY-EIGHT 18K

TUDOR is introducing a bold new version of its popular model, the Black Bay Fifty-Eight, in 18 ct yellow gold with an open case back. This is a first for both in a TUDOR divers' watch.

The name Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K is, of course, a reference to the precious metal of its case, but also to 1958, the year in which the first TUDOR divers' watch waterproof to 200 metres (660 ft), reference 7924 or "Big Crown", was introduced. Among other aesthetic nods to this historic watch, this model offers a case 39 mm in diameter in keeping with the characteristic proportions of the 1950s. Ideal for slim wrists, people who like more compact watches and, of course, vintage enthusiasts, the Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K is also the first TUDOR divers' watch to be made in 18 ct yellow gold and offered with an open case back.

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Two straps are included: green Jacquard fabric with gold band and dark brown

Dial matt «golden green» in tone, with applied hour markers in 18 ct yellow gold

Manufacture Calibre MT5400,

certified by the Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute (COSC) with a hairspring in silicon and a 70-hour power reserve



Case with satin finish (matt), +39 mm in diameter, in 18 ct yellow gold with an open case back

"Snowflake" hands,

one of the hallmarks of the TUDOR divers' watches introduced in 1969, in 18 ct yellow gold, with grade A Swiss Super-LumiNova® luminescent



Five-year transferable guarantee,

without registration or mandatory maintenance checks







Entirely satin-finished for a matt effect that may seem counter-intuitive with the traditional, bright finish typical of a gold watch, the case of the Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K in 18 ct yellow gold is another first for a TUDOR divers' watch. An open case back, which reveals the new *Manufacture* MT5400 Calibre, has not been offered by the brand before for this type of product and reinforces the dual aesthetic language of this model. Midway between the legacy of a robust tool-watch that still defines TUDOR and a precious object, the Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K remains as rare as it is exclusive.

"GOLDEN GREEN" Tones

The matt 18 ct yellow gold of the Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K is emphasised by the elegant combination of dial and bezel, which are a rich "golden green" in tone with matt gold details. The "Snowflake" hands are in 18 ct yellow gold, as are the appliqués of the hour markers. The same colour palette is found on the fabric strap offered with this model. The fabric strap is one of the hallmarks of TUDOR, which, in 2010, became one of the first watchmaking brands to offer it with its products. Woven in France on 19th century Jacquard looms by the Julien Faure company in the St-Etienne region, its manufacturing quality and comfort on the wrist are unique. In 2020, TUDOR and Julien Faure, a 150-year old family company, celebrated ten years of partnership that began with the Heritage Chrono – the first model to be equipped with a fabric strap created by the craftsmen – that was launched at Baselworld 2010.

THE MANUFACTURE CALIBRE MT5400

The *Manufacture* Calibre MT5400, which powers the Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K, displays hour, minute and second functions. It has the finish typical of TUDOR *Manufacture* Calibres: its rotor in tungsten monobloc is openwork and satin-brushed with sandblasted details, and its bridges and mainplate have alternate sandblasted, polished surfaces and laser decorations.

Its build has been designed to ensure robustness, longevity, reliability and precision, as has a variable inertia balance, which is maintained by a sturdy traversing bridge with a two-point fixation. Together with its non-magnetic silicon hairspring, the *Manufacture* Calibre MT5400 is certified as a chronometer by the Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute (COSC), with its performance going beyond the standards set by this independent institute. In fact, where COSC allows an average variation in the daily running of a watch of between -4 and +6 seconds in relation to absolute time in a single movement, TUDOR insists on -2 +4 seconds' variation in its running when it is completely assembled.

Another notable feature is that the power reserve of the *Manufacture* MT5400 Calibre is "weekend-proof"; that is to say about 70 hours, which enables the wearer to take the watch off on a Friday evening and put it back on again on Monday morning without having to reset it.



THE ESSENCE OF BLACK BAY

Like other models in the Black Bay range, the Black Bay Fifty-Eight 18K adopts TUDOR's characteristic angular hands known as "Snowflake" that first appeared in the brand's 1969 catalogue. The result of a subtle blend of traditional aesthetics and contemporary watchmaking, the Black Bay line is far from simply being an identical rerelease of a classic. Resolutely anchored in the present, it brings together almost seven decades of TUDOR divers' watches. Whilst it is neo-vintage in conception, its manufacturing techniques and its robustness, reliability, durability and precision as well as the quality of its finish are above modern industry standards.

THE TUDOR DIVERS' WATCH

The history of the TUDOR divers' watch dates back to 1954 with the launch of reference 7922. Waterproof to 100 metres (330 ft), it is the firstborn in a long line of "divers". Affordable, robust, reliable and precise, it is representative of the philosophy of a tool-watch of the brand. The seven decades following its introduction have witnessed the constant improvement of this TUDOR divers' watch and those that have gained unanimous acclaim from professionals in the field, including some of the greatest military navies in the world.

THE TUDOR GUARANTEE

Since its creation by Hans Wilsdorf in 1926, and in line with his vision of an ideal watchmaking product, TUDOR has never stopped producing the most robust, durable, reliable and precise watches in existence today. Bolstered by this experience, and confident in the knowledge of the superior quality of its watches, TUDOR is offering a five-year guarantee on all its products sold after January 1st 2020. This guarantee does not require the watch to be registered, or any maintenance checks, and is transferable. All TUDOR products bought between July 1st 2018 and December 31st 2019 will therefore benefit from an 18-month extension to their guarantee, that is to say, a total of three and a half years. TUDOR also recommends that its watches should be serviced approximately every 10 years depending on the model and the extent of its use on a day-to-day basis.

ABOUT TUDOR

TUDOR is an award-winning Swiss-made watch brand, offering watches with refined aesthetics, proven reliability and unique value for money. The origins of TUDOR date back to 1926, when "The Tudor" was first registered as a brand on behalf of the founder of Rolex, Hans Wilsdorf. He created the Montres TUDOR SA Company in 1946 to offer watches with the quality and dependability of a Rolex, at a more affordable price point. Because of their robustness and affordability, throughout their history TUDOR watches have been chosen by the boldest adventurers on land, underwater and on ice. Today, the TUDOR collection includes emblematic models such as Black Bay, Pelagos, 1926 and Royal. Since 2015, TUDOR has also offered mechanical *manufacture* movements with multiple functions and superior performance.

REFERENCE 79018V

CASE

39 mm case, satin finished, in 18 ct yellow gold

Open case back with sapphire crystal

O BEZEL

Unidirectional rotatable bezel in 18 ct yellow gold with 60-minute graduated disc in matt green anodised aluminium and gold gilded markings and numerals

WINDING CROWN

18 ct yellow gold screw-down winding crown, with the TUDOR rose in relief with circular satinbrushed 18 ct yellow gold winding crown tube

💮 DIAL

Green, domed

CRYSTAL

Domed sapphire crystal

Waterproof to 200 m (660 ft)

BRACELET

Domed dark brown alligator strap with 18 ct yellow gold buckle

Additional green fabric strap with gold-coloured band and 18 ct yellow gold buckle, included in the box

MOVEMENT

Manufacture Calibre MT5400

Self-winding mechanical movement with bidirectional rotor system

Y PRECISION

Swiss chronometer officially certified by COSC (Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute)

28 FUNCTIONS

Centre hour, minute and seconds hands Stop-seconds for precise time setting

OSCILLATOR

Variable inertia balance, microadjustment by screw Non-magnetic silicon balance spring Frequency: 28 800 beats/hour (4 Hz)

TOTAL DIAMETER

30.3 mm

THICKNESS

5 mm

JEWELS

27 jewels

POWER RESERVE

Approximately 70 hours





Swiss price (VAT incl.) CHF 16'000.-

