

The Heritage Black Bay, presented for the first time in 2012 and honoured by the jury of the Grand Prix d'Horlogerie in Geneva the following year, has been updated for 2016 with a mechanical movement developed, manufactured and assembled in-house by TUDOR. One of the brand's truly iconic models, it celebrates 60 years of diving watches with extraordinary heritage.

The characteristic elements of the Heritage Black Bay's personality have been drawn from TUDOR's history. It inherits the general lines, as well as the domed dial and crystal from the first TUDOR diving watches. It features the particularly prominent winding crown from the famous 7924 reference of 1958, known as the *Big Crown*. It borrows the characteristic angular hands, known as *snowflake*, from the watches delivered in large quantities to the French National Navy in the 1970s.



#### THE TUDOR IN-HOUSE MOVEMENT MT5602

This is a variant of the movement manufactured by TUDOR and developed as an update to the Heritage Black Bay model. It displays hours, minutes and seconds, and bears the reference MT5602, in which "MT" stands for "Mouvement TUDOR". In 2015, TUDOR announced the first mechanical movement in its history to have been developed, manufactured and assembled in-house. A high-performance calibre of excellent precision and proven robustness, it offers a 70-hour power reserve meaning that its wearer can, for example, take off the watch on Friday evening and put it on again on Monday morning without having to wind it. Beating to a frequency of 28,800 beats/hour or 4Hz, the movement is regulated by a variable inertia oscillator with silicon balance spring, held in place by a traversing bridge – a guarantee of its robustness. Furthermore, the movement is certified by the Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute (COSC).

# A NEW STEEL BRACELET

TUDOR has also reworked the steel bracelet which comes with this model, taking inspiration from the brand's riveted bracelets made in the 50s and 60s. These were famous for having rivet heads for attaching the links in evidence on the side of the bracelet, as well as a stepped construction. These two aesthetic details have now been integrated into the bracelet of the Heritage Black Bay model, which benefits at the same time from modern manufacturing methods with solid links. Also available with an aged leather strap and folding clasp, the Heritage Black Bay model is supplied in both cases with an extra strap in matching fabric: black or burgundy for the version with the burgundy bezel, blue for the version with the blue bezel and black for the version with the black bezel and red triangle. Made in the Jacquard technique according to traditional methods by a hundred-year-old family business from the St-Etienne region of France, these straps are a signature feature of TUDOR's Heritage line.

#### **THREE VERSIONS AND THREE PERSONALITIES**

The Heritage Black Bay model is available in three versions, each with its own personality. With its burgundy bezel, black dial, rose-gold hands and

markers and cream coloured luminescent coating, the original TUDOR Heritage Black Bay has the soft and warm patina of an antique watch. Radically different and rightly nicknamed "Midnight Blue" by aficionados of the brand, the TUDOR Heritage Black Bay with its blue bezel displays the ice-cold face and sharp contrasts which lend to the watch the look of a professional technical instrument. Of the three, the TUDOR Heritage Black Bay "Black" version best captures the pioneer spirit of the first TUDOR diving watches. A notable new decorative detail is the famous red triangle on the unidirectional bezel, taken from the TUDOR models of the 1950s.

## THE TUDOR DIVERS' WATCH

The history of the TUDOR divers' watch dates back to 1954 and the launch of reference 7922. The first in a long line of ergonomic, legible, accurate and robust divers' watches, it perfectly embodies the approach formulated by the American architect Louis Sullivan, according to whom the form of an object must follow its function. Furthermore, it laid down the aesthetic and technical foundations of an ideal divers' watch, those of an understated, functional and reliable tool. The sixty years that followed the launch of the original 7922 saw the constant improvement of the TUDOR divers' watch and each model gained unanimous acclaim from professionals in the field, including some of the greatest military navies in the world.

#### THE HERITAGE LINE

A key characteristic of the TUDOR Heritage line is the unique creative process that began in 2010 with the presentation of the TUDOR Heritage Chrono model, a free interpretation of the brand's first chronograph dating from 1970. Since then, some of the most important references in the history of TUDOR have been reworked within the Heritage line. Far from simply being an identical re-release of a classic, the models in this line bring together the past, present and future, with the aesthetic codes that contributed to the reputation of historic models instilled into contemporary timepieces. The Heritage Black Bay models are part of an approach in which more than 60 years of TUDOR divers' watches are condensed.

# **UDOR**



TUDOR HERITAGE BLACK BAY

#### CASE

Steel, 41 mm, polished and satin finish

#### BEZEL

Steel unidirectional rotatable bezel with disc in matt burgundy, matt blue or matt black anodised aluminium

## MOVEMENT

MT5602, Manufacture TUDOR (COSC)

Self-winding mechanical movement with bidirectional rotor system

# POWER RESERVE

Approximately 70 hours

#### WINDING CROWN

Screw-down steel winding crown, with the TUDOR rose engraved and black-lacquered, with burgundy, blue or black anodised aluminium winding crown tube

DIAL Black, domed

#### CRYSTAL

Domed sapphire crystal

#### WATERPROOFNESS

Waterproof to 200 m (660 ft)

#### BRACELET

Steel bracelet or aged leather strap with folding clasp and safety catch

Additional fabric strap with buckle included in the box

# SWISS PRICE (VAT incl.)

From CHF 3'200.—





MOUVEMENT MANUFACTURE MT5602

## CALIBRE

MT5602, *Manufacture* TUDOR

Self-winding mechanical movement with bidirectional rotor system

#### PRECISION

Swiss Chronometer Officially Certified by the COSC (Swiss Official Chronometer Testing Institute)

#### **FUNCTIONS**

Centre hour, minute and seconds hands

Stop-seconds function for precise time setting

## OSCILLATOR

Variable inertia balance, micro-adjustment by screw

Non-magnetic silicon balance spring

Frequency: 28,800 beats/hour (4Hz))

**TOTAL DIAMETER** 31,8 mm

THICKNESS 6,5 mm

**JEWELS** 25 jewels

**POWER RESERVE** Approximately 70 hours

