# **ALBATROSS** L'EPÉE 1839 X MB&F

## INSPIRATION

After 10 years and 15 different clocks, the L'Epée 1839 X MB&F Albatross is by far the most technically audacious co-creation by the two companies. Totalling a whopping 1520 components, Albatross features a striking hour function – chiming both the specific hours on the hour and a single strike on the half-hour – and an automaton composed of 16 pairs of propellers that launch into action every hour.

Albatross was inspired by the "Albatross" airship in Jules Verne's novel Robur the Conqueror, but also more generally by the rockets and hot air balloons imagined by the French author, who had a fascination for flying objects.



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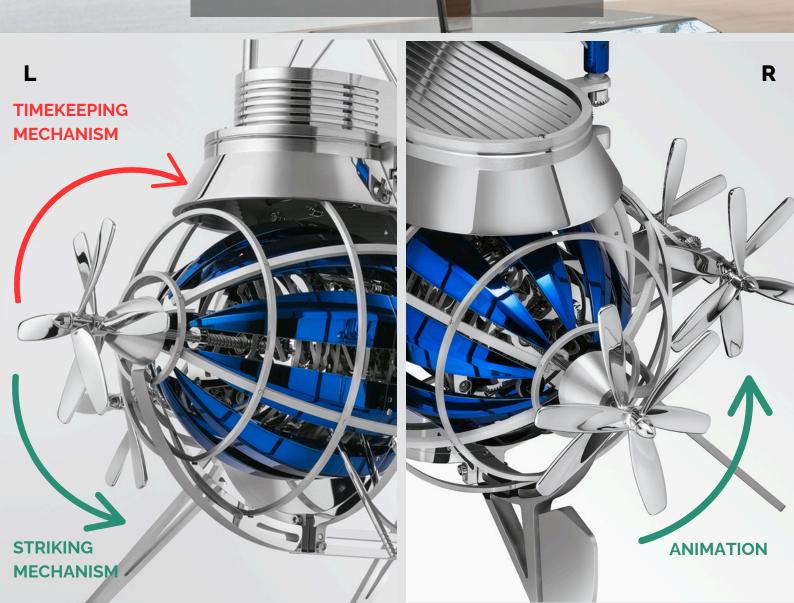
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- STRIKING HOURS ON ON THE HOUR
- SINGLE STRIKE ON THE HALF-HOUR
- 4 YEARS OF DEVELOPMENT

TO SET THE TIME, GENTLY TURN THE MINUTES CYLINDER CLOCKWISE (TOWARDS THE TOP) UNTIL THE CORRECT TIME IS SET. PUSH

ACTIVATE THE WINDING MECHANISM PUSH THE FRONT PROPELLERS TOWARD THE CROWN (FOR BOTH SIDES). PUSH



THE TWO SHIFT STICKS ON THE BOTTOM OF THE CLOCK ALLOW YOU TO ACTIVATE THE STRIKING HOUR AND THE ANIMATION.

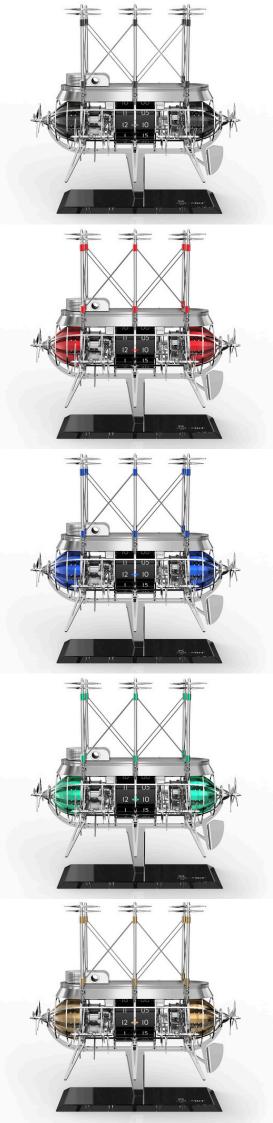
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BOTH FEATURES CAN BE ACTIVATED SIMULTANEOUSLY OR INDEPENDENTLY FROM EACH OTHER.

PUSH THE ON DEMAND BUTTON TO REPEAT THE STRIKING HOUR AND/OR ACTIVATE THE ANIMATION OF THE PROPELLERS. THE FUNCTION DEPENDS ON THE POSITION OF THE SHIFT STICKS



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#### Limited Edition

8 pieces per color: Blue, Red, Green, Champagne and Black

#### Movement

Two separate movements and winding systems

Designed and manufactured in-house by L'Epée 1839; one powers the time and striking hour, the other provides the energy for the automaton (propellers).

Movements finishing: mix of satin and polish.

Time and striking hour movement In-line 8-day power reserve movement Balance frequency: 2.5 Hz / 18,000 bph Jewels: 11

#### **Dimensions and Weight**

600mm long x 350mm wide x 600mm high Weight: 17kg

### Body/frame

The clock is made from a mix of brass, steel, and aluminium. Colours: translucent cold lacquer in blue, red, green, champagne or black