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THREE NEW BREITLING WATCHES COMMEMORATE AN AVIATION LEGEND: THE CURTISS P-40 WARHAWK

For the better part of a century, Breitling has enjoyed a global reputation for its links to the world of aviation and for its pilot's watches. And, with the release of two chronographs and an understated three-hand watch commemorating a partnership with the maker of the iconic P-40 Warhawk airplane, Breitling makes it clear that aviation remains an essential part of its brand DNA.

Three new Breitling Aviator 8 Curtiss Warhawk watches honor Curtiss Wright, a renowned American aircraft manufacturer, and the Curtiss P-40 Warhawk, its most famous plane. The P-40 Warhawks were manufactured between 1938 and 1944. Two chronographs – one featuring a Breitling Manufacture Caliber 01 movement – have been introduced along with a stunning three-hand model.

Breitling CEO Georges Kern says: "Curtiss Wright produced the P-40 Warhawk at the same time Breitling and its Huit Aviation Department were making on-board instruments for planes used by the RAF and other air forces. With this partnership and these great new watches, we are reaffirming the importance of Breitling's aviation heritage to the brand."

The Breitling Aviator 8 B01 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk

The Aviator 8 B01 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk is distinguished by its military green dial with a matte finish. The contrasting silver subdials – 12-hour and 30-minute chronograph counters and a small second subdial – indicate that the watch is driven by the Breitling Manufacture Caliber 01, the brand's in-house mechanical movement, which delivers a remarkable power reserve of approximately 70 hours.

The striking chronograph is equipped with a bidirectional rotating bezel featuring Arabic numerals and indexes as well as a practical red pointer. The Super-LumiNova® coating on the hour and minute hands and the Arabic numerals on the dial make it easy to read the time in any light.

The COSC-certified chronometer has a 43-millimeter stainless-steel case presented on a green military strap. It is water-resistant up to 10 bar (100 meters/330 feet).

The eye-catching caseback has a transparent sapphire crystal printed with a Curtiss inscription and an image of an airborne P-40 Warhawk, whose design, with its shark's mouth and color scheme, is based on the characteristic paint job associated with the plane when it was piloted by the American Volunteer Group in the Chinese Air Force's famed Flying Tigers unit.

The Breitling Aviator 8 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk

The Aviator 8 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk features a military green dial with a matte finish and tone-on-tone subdials – 12-hour and 30-minute chronograph counters and a small second subdial. Its black nickel-plated hour and minute hands, as well as the Arabic numerals on the dial, are coated with Super-LumiNova®, so they are legible even in the most challenging of lighting conditions.



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At the heart of the Aviator 8 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk is the Breitling Caliber 13, a mechanical movement renowned for its stability and performance. It offers a power reserve of approximately 42 hours.

The chronograph's distinctive caseback is engraved with a Curtiss inscription and an image of a P-40 Warhawk with the dramatic shark's mouth paintwork that made a powerful visual impact when the plane was part of the Chinese Air Force's famous Flying Tigers unit and flown by pilots of the American Volunteer Group.

This COSC-certified chronometer, which is water-resistant up to 10 bar (100 meters/330 feet), is presented on a green military strap.

The Breitling Aviator 8 Automatic 41 Curtiss Warhawk

The Aviator 8 Automatic 41 Curtiss Warhawk features a military green dial with a matte finish and is presented on a green military strap. Its hour and minute hands and its Arabic numerals are coated with Super-LumiNova® for optimal legibility in all lighting conditions. It also has a bidirectional rotating bezel with a distinctive red pointer and a central seconds hand with a red tip.

Inside the DLC-coated stainless-steel case is a Breitling Caliber 17 movement, which offers a power reserve of approximately 40 hours. Like all Breitling watches, the precision of this model is confirmed by its status as a COSC-certified chronometer.

The watch features an engraved caseback bearing the Curtiss inscription and a dramatic image of a P-40 Warhawk with the memorable shark's mouth paintwork.

The Aviator 8 Automatic 41 Curtiss Warhawk will appeal to anyone with an appreciation of aviation history and an enthusiasm for clean, understated dials.

Breitling's Aviator 8 Watches – Honoring Great Aviation Legacies

When the Curtiss Wright Corporation was producing its legendary fighter aircraft in the 1930s and 1940s, Breitling's Huit Aviation Department was creating on-board clocks for some of the world's leading aircraft manufacturers.

These three new watches – the Aviator 8 B01 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk, the Aviator 8 Chronograph 43 Curtiss Warhawk, and the Aviator 8 Automatic 41 Curtiss Warhawk – salute a partnership between two true aviation pioneers. Fittingly, they do it with features that recall one of Breitling's early pilot's watches, the iconic Reference 768, which featured a rotating bezel and distinctive triangular pointer that made it an instant hit with aviators.

The Aviator 8 watches reflect the proud aviation heritage of two important brands but, with their modern retro flair, they are sure to appeal to a new generation of watch enthusiasts.

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Since 1884, Breitling has established a global reputation for high-precision timepieces, its pioneering role in the development of the wrist chronograph, and its uncompromising commitment to design excellence. With the brand's storied association with aviation, Breitling has shared the finest moments in humankind's conquest of the skies. Renowned for its spirit of innovation, it has also earned a place of privilege in the worlds of science, sport, and technology. Breitling manufactures its own movements in-house and the quality of every watch is confirmed by its status as a COSC-certified chronometer, made in Switzerland.



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FACTS ABOUT THE WATCH:

AVIATOR 8 B01 CHRONOGRAPH 43 CURTISS WARHAWK

Reference: AB0119

WATCH MOVEMENT

Caliber: Breitling Manufacture Caliber 01
Diameter: 30 millimeters
Depth: 7.2 millimeters
Winder: automatic with dual-acting ball-bearing rotor
Power reserve: approximately 70 hours
Number of components: 346
Balance frequency: 28,800 a/h or 4 hertz
Chronograph: ratchet wheel control, vertical coupling, 30-minute and 12-hour counters
Display: hour, minute, second, window date
Certification: COSC-certified

CASE

Material: stainless steel
Diameter: 43 millimeters
Height: 13.97 millimeters
Water resistance: up to 10 bar [100 meters]
Glass: sapphire, convex, double anti-reflective
Caseback: screwed steel, sapphire glass
Crown: screw-locked
Bezel: bidirectional, with red pointer, numerals, and indexes

DIAL/HANDS

Military green with matte finish and silver contrasting fields for permanent seconds and totalizers
Super-LumiNova® luminescent numerals and hands

STRAP

Green military strap with pin buckle or folding buckle or stainless-steel bracelet with folding clasp



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FACTS ABOUT THE WATCH:

AVIATOR 8 CHRONOGRAPH 43 CURTISS WARHAWK

Reference: A13316

WATCH MOVEMENT

Caliber: Breitling Caliber 13
Diameter: 30 millimeters
Depth: 7.9 millimeters
Winder: automatic with unilaterally acting ball-bearing rotor
Power reserve: approximately 42 hours
Balance frequency: 28,800 a/h or 4 hertz
Chronograph: mechanism control, oscillatory mechanism coupling, 30-minute and 12-hour counters
Display: hour, minute, second, day of the week, date
Certification: COSC-certified

CASE

Material: stainless steel
Diameter: 43 millimeters
Height: 14.17 millimeters
Water resistance: up to 10 bar [100 meters]
Glass: sapphire, convex, double anti-reflective
Caseback: screwed steel
Crown: screw-locked
Bezel: bidirectional, with red pointer, numerals, and indexes

DIAL/HANDS

Military green with matte finish
Super-LumiNova® luminescent numerals and hands

STRAP

Green military strap with pin buckle or folding buckle or stainless-steel bracelet with folding clasp



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FACTS ABOUT THE WATCH: AVIATOR 8 AUTOMATIC 41 CURTISS WARHAWK

Reference: M173152A

WATCH MOVEMENT

Caliber: Breitling Caliber 17
Diameter: 25.6 millimeters
Depth: 4.6 millimeters
Winder: automatic with dual-acting ball-bearing rotor
Power reserve: approximately 40 hours
Balance frequency: 28,800 a/h or 4 hertz
Display: hour, minute, second, window date
Certification: COSC-certified

CASE

Material: DLC-coated stainless steel
Diameter: 41 millimeters
Height: 10.74 millimeters
Water resistance: up to 10 bar [100 meters]
Glass: sapphire, convex, double anti-reflective
Caseback: screwed DLC-coated steel
Crown: screw-locked
Bezel: with red pointer, bidirectional

DIAL/HANDS

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Super-LumiNova® luminescent numerals and hands

STRAP

Green military strap with pin buckle



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