YOUR HERMÈS ARCEAU LIFT WATCH

Your Hermès Arceau Lift watch has been entirely hand-assembled by watchmaking artisans in keeping with the finest watchmaking traditions and submitted to a full set of quality tests before leaving the La Montre Hermès workshops in Bienne, Switzerland.

The flying tourbillon

Invented over 200 years ago, the tourbillon is doubtless the horological complication that most powerfully epitomises fine watchmaking. It was initially developed to counteract the effects of gravity on mechanical movements, thereby considerably improving the precision of watch movements at that time.

In the early 19th century, the wristwatch had not yet been invented. Pocket-watches were the most common type of timepiece. Typically worn in a static, vertical position, they represented a technical challenge for watchmakers, because the forces of gravity were systematically exercised in the same way on the movement components. Combined with the fact that such historical movements were not as finely executed as they are today, this meant that pocket-watches were inevitably fairly inaccurate.

By keeping the carriage containing the most sensitive parts of the movement in constant rotation, a tourbillon cancels out the effects of gravity by ensuring that these forces are homogeneously applied to all parts of the escapement and the regulating organ (comprising a balance and a balance-spring).
Today, the tourbillon complication is a testimony to watchmaking expertise. No machine is capable of replacing the expert hand of the watchmaking artisan in assembling and adjusting his tourbillon.

Your Hermès Arceau Lift watch features a so-called “flying” tourbillon. Its mechanism is light because there is no bridge holding the carriage, thus ensuring that the rotation of the tourbillon is clearly visible. This apparently floating-type or cantilevered construction is particularly delicate. The flying tourbillon carriage is adorned with the double-H Lift monogram adorning a number of objects from the House of Hermès and also featured on the lift of its boutique at 24, Rue du Faubourg-Saint-Honoré.

**Movement**
- Made in Switzerland.
- Mechanical hand-wound movement H1923.
- Flying tourbillon, one rotation per minute.
- 21,600 vibrations per hour (3 Hz).
- Jewelling with 18 synthetic rubies. This material is also that best suited for the bearings of the watch’s various moving parts. Its rate of wear is extremely low and using it considerably enhances the precision of the watch.
- Approximately 90-hour power reserve. The power reserve corresponds to the length of time a watch will run on its own energy reserves without any external supply. Manual winding to recharge the movement is thus required only once every 90 hours.
– Double-H Lift monogram on the tourbillon carriage (at 6 o’clock) and on the bridge (at 12 o’clock).
– Specular-polished Lift monogram on the tourbillon carriage at 6 o’clock and jewel rim at 12 o’clock. This technique is also called black or “mirror” polishing.
– Hand-finished angles.
– Displays of the hours and minutes.

**Metal used**

750 gold: an alloy composed of 75% pure gold and silver, copper or palladium in variable proportions according to its colour (yellow gold, rose gold or white gold).

950 platinum: alloy composed of 95% platinum and 5% ruthenium.

**Diamonds**

Whatever their shape, they are of Top Wesselton V.V.S. clarity and F/G colour, apart from brown diamonds.

Driven by a constant concern to guarantee its ethical, social and environmental commitment, Hermès helps improve the practices of all actors in the supply chain and commits to promoting them among its business partners, particularly through its membership of the Responsible Jewellery Council (RJC).
Double-safety folding clasp

Your Hermès strap may be fitted with an articulated buckle that unfolds when opened. It has been specially designed to guarantee maximum security thanks to two devices.

1. It is opened by simultaneously pressing two lateral push-buttons on either side of the buckle. The device is thus held closed by a click system.

2. A press is also enough to lock the pin into the buckle.
Watch glass
Scratch-resistant sapphire crystal with anti-glare treatment.
Scratch-resistant sapphire crystal case-back window with anti-glare treatment, revealing the tourbillon carriage.

Water resistance
Water resistance tested to 3 bar.
It is important to always push the crown back against the case after any handling in order to guarantee water resistance.
The crown must not be handled in contact with water, even splashing.
The use of cosmetic products (shampoo, shower gel, soap) when taking a shower or bath may damage the water-resistance gaskets of your watch. It is important not to wear your Hermès watch during such activities.
In any case, it is inadvisable to wear your Hermès Arceau Lift watch fitted with a leather strap when in contact with water.
RECOMMENDATIONS

General recommendations
When storing your Hermès Arceau Lift watch, it should ideally be kept in the original box or in a case designed for the purpose. If you own several watches, avoid direct contact between them in order to preserve their outward appearance. Keep your Hermès Arceau Lift watch in a well-ventilated place away from moisture and heat. It is strongly advisable to avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunlight or bright lighting, since ultraviolet rays may produce changes in colour of the dial, hands and strap.

To wipe off fingerprints or dust on your Hermès watch, use a clean microfibre cloth and never rub too hard.

Regular maintenance of the movement
As with all precision instruments, the movement of your Hermès Arceau Lift watch must be regularly maintained and tested in order to guarantee its optimal operation. This service should be performed at least every three (3) years.

Preserving water resistance
The water resistance of your Hermès Arceau Lift watch has been tested according to the Hermès production norms applicable to your model. Its water resistance depends on the hermetically sealed assembly of the parts composing the case, the glass and the winding-crown, as well as on the maintenance of the numerous joints and gaskets.
If your Hermès watch is inadvertently immersed in seawater, it should be rapidly wiped with a soft cloth moistened with fresh water and then dried with a soft dry cloth.

*Magnetism*
There are an increasing number of magnetic fields present in our environment. These can affect the rate of the movement. We recommend that you not expose your watch to strong magnetic fields.

Such magnetic fields may be of various origins: cellphones and digital tablets, handbags or bracelets with magnetic clasps, refrigerators and microwave ovens, loudspeakers and televisions, hairdryers and electric razors.

*Physical shocks*
A sudden strong shock caused by the practice of sports such as golf or an accidental fall to the floor or blow to the case may not only spoil the exterior appearance of your Hermès Arceau Lift watch, but also damage its mechanism. Certain parts of the mechanism are less than a tenth of a millimetre in diameter. While damage to these parts may not be apparent from an external examination of the timepiece, they may be detrimental to the performance of your Hermès Arceau Lift watch.
**Thermal shocks**
The optimal temperature range for your *Hermès* Arceau Lift watch is between 0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F).
- Prolonged exposure to temperatures below 0°C (32°F) may impair performance (usually a time loss).
- Prolonged exposure to temperatures above 50°C (122°F) may affect the running of the movement and should therefore be avoided.

**The patina of leather**
Since *Hermès* wishes to preserve the authenticity and unique feel of its leather straps, the hides used have been given the most natural possible treatment. This means the straps are not excessively protected and thus acquire a regular patina over time, which represents one of the distinctive aesthetic characteristics of *Hermès* leather products.

This extreme respect for quality makes the straps sensitive to water and to surrounding humidity. Wearing your *Hermès* Arceau Lift watch fitted with a leather strap for sports activities is thus not advisable.
**International Warranty**

Your *Hermès* Arceau Lift watch has a two (2) year worldwide cover once you receive the international warranty booklet duly filled in, dated and signed by the *Hermès* store or the authorised retailer on the day of purchase of your *Hermès* Arceau Lift watch.

These instructions do not serve as an international warranty. Kindly refer to the international warranty booklet for any additional related information.

If you follow our advice in terms of maintenance and use, we sincerely trust you will always be satisfied with your *Hermès* Arceau Lift watch, and we thank you for your confidence.
DISPLAY AND FUNCTIONS

Flying tourbillon

Minutes hand

Hours hand

Crown

Flying tourbillon
IMPORTANT
When winding the watch manually, turn the crown clockwise to wind the movement until you reach a locking point. **Never force it, since doing so might damage the movement.**

It is important to always push the crown back up against the case after handling, so as to guarantee water resistance. The crown should not be handled in contact with water, even splashing.
1. Manual winding

*Crown in position 1 (initial position)*

If the watch has stopped, wind it manually to start it by turning the crown clockwise until you reach a locking point. **Never force it, since doing so might damage the movement.** You will need to perform this operation at least once every 90 hours in order to wind the movement.
2. Setting the time

*Crown in position 2  
(fully pulled-out position)*

Pull the crown out to position 2.  
Turn the crown clockwise to set  
the time.
3. Running position

*Crown in position 1 (initial position)*

Push the crown back in to position 1 (*initial position*). Your watch is set and the movement starts running again. It is important to always push the crown back up against the case after any handling, as this serves to guarantee water resistance.