

Big Bang

“Monaco Yacht Club” limited edition



The flagship of the Monaco Yacht Club, the *Tuiga*, is a legendary boat built in 1909 by William Fife. This “15-metre International Class”, restored in 1993, was acquired in 1995 by the Monaco Yacht Club. As H.R.H. Prince Albert II explains, “For a long time I wanted our club to have a prestigious yacht that would demonstrate Monaco’s fidelity to the maritime heritage of traditional yachting. When the opportunity to acquire *Tuiga* arose in 1995, I was happy to seize it, and I would like to thank all of the members of the ‘Tuiga Committee’, without whose support this project could never have come to fruition.”

Restored in 1993, *Tuiga*, built of mahogany on steel frames, has an overall length of 23 metres with a sail area of 370 m². Flying the flag of the Monaco Yacht Club, its crew take part in many gatherings of traditional boats and she frequently wins first place in her category.

Under the terms of the partnership with the Monaco Yacht Club, Hublot has created a new Big Bang chronograph, a first landmark in the revamped brand and an extension of its combination philosophy launched in 1980. **25 years on, with Big Bang, Hublot reinterprets its DNA, revisiting its original principles: the combination of unusual materials such as gold with ceramics, Kevlar and red gold, tantalum or rubber – and the combination of movements that marry Swiss watchmaking tradition with the visionary watchmaker’s art of the 21st century.**

The Hublot Big Bang “Monaco Yacht Club” chronograph, inspired by *Tuiga*, is produced in a limited and numbered edition of 250 units. Its black carbon face displays the red, white and gold flag of the Monaco Yacht Club, whilst the bottom of the case is engraved with an image of *Tuiga* in an exact replica of the coat of arms at the end of the boom of the Monegasque cutter.



With its angular design, built of superimposed layers of different materials, the 44.5 mm diameter case of the “Monaco Yacht Club” Big Bang is fashioned from steel. A Kevlar insert provides an unusual side view that gives the impression that the watch is traversed by the legendary Hublot black natural rubber strap. The stamped carbon dial sets off the extra-wide crystal in a ceramic bezel with six screws in the form of an “H” and black composite resin lug disks. The crown and rectangular button heads have black natural rubber inserts.

With its mechanical self-winding chronograph movement, the Hublot Big Bang “Tuiga, Monaco Yacht Club” limited edition will be available in the autumn of 2005 and will be accompanied by a book to be published on the fabulous saga of *Tuiga*, the flagship of the Monaco Yacht Club.

BIG BANG « YACHT CLUB DE MONACO »



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LIMITED EDITION "YACHT CLUB DE MONACO"
Ceramic, Steel, Carbon, Kevlar and Rubber
Automatic Hublot Chronograph





TECHNICAL DETAILS

“BIG BANG” YACHT CLUB DE MONACO

Case:	“Big Bang” diameter 44.5 mm. in steel 316L
Bezel:	Black ceramic with knurled edge fixed by 6 titanium H-shaped screws, sunken, polished and blocked
Lug disc:	Black composite resin
Lateral inserts:	Black composite resin
Dial:	Stamped Carbon with steel appliqué indexes with vertical satin-finish and exclusive flag of the Yacht Club de Monaco in a register at 9.00 o'clock
Back:	316L steel back with exclusive engraving of <i>Tuiga</i> in an exact replica of the coat of arms at the end of the boom of the Monegasque cutter
Hands:	Faceted, sand-blasted and rhodium-plated hands with luminescent feature
Crystal:	Sapphire crystal with anti-reflection treatment, double face
Crown:	With natural black rubber insert
Push-pieces:	Rectangular with natural black rubber insert
Movement:	Mechanical chronograph movement with automatic winding Hublot Caliber HUB44 developed by the manufacture La Joux-Perret
No. of components:	252
Bottom plate:	Circular grained bottom plate
Bridge:	Polished satin-finished bridge with chamfered edges
Barrel:	Reinforced spring
Screws:	Black PVD
Escapement:	Glucydur balance spring
Power Reserve:	42 hours
Calendar:	Trapezoid aperture at 4.30
Oscillating weight:	Tungsten oscillating weight with dimpled surface treated in black PVD
Water-resistance:	100 m or 10 ATM
Strap:	New adjustable natural black rubber strap
Clasp:	New Hublot deployant clasp in steel 316L
Limited Series:	250 pieces with engraving on the back: “Limited Series Yacht Club de Monaco x/250”

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