

[01] **Tag Heuer Aquaracer** Automatic, stainless steel, crystal unilaterally rotatable, aluminum swivel matches color of dial, scratch-resistant sapphire glass, waterproof to 300 meters (1,000 ft.). Available in various versions. Information: [www.tagheuer.com](http://www.tagheuer.com)

Diving in time and space—an ancient human longing, not just for timepiece aficionados, but especially for them. For these connoisseurs wear the expression of their passion on the wrists. But Watch Words is also aimed at all those who want to make time for beautiful timekeepers. The trend towards maritime chronometry is a good place to start.

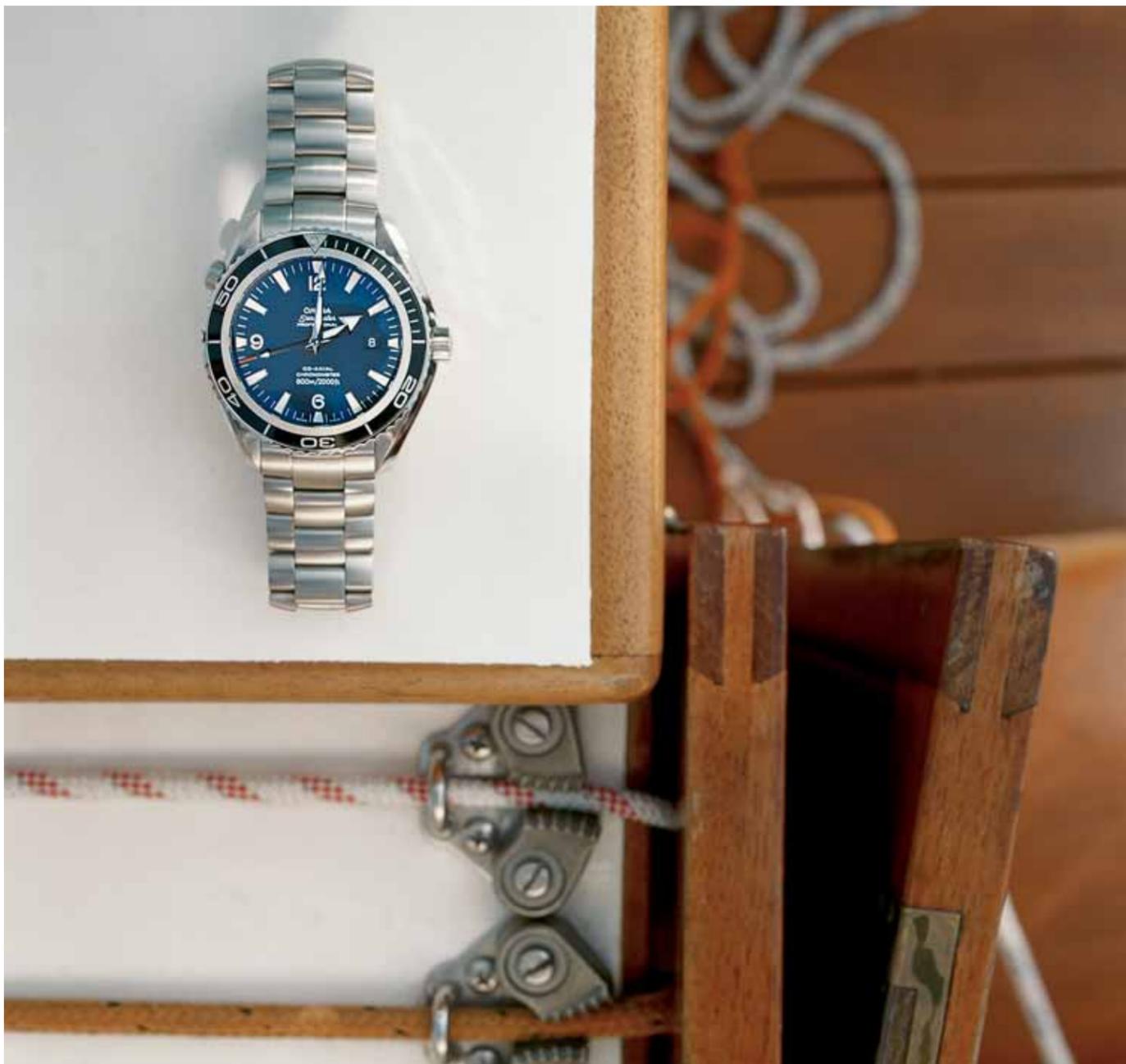
Watch Words

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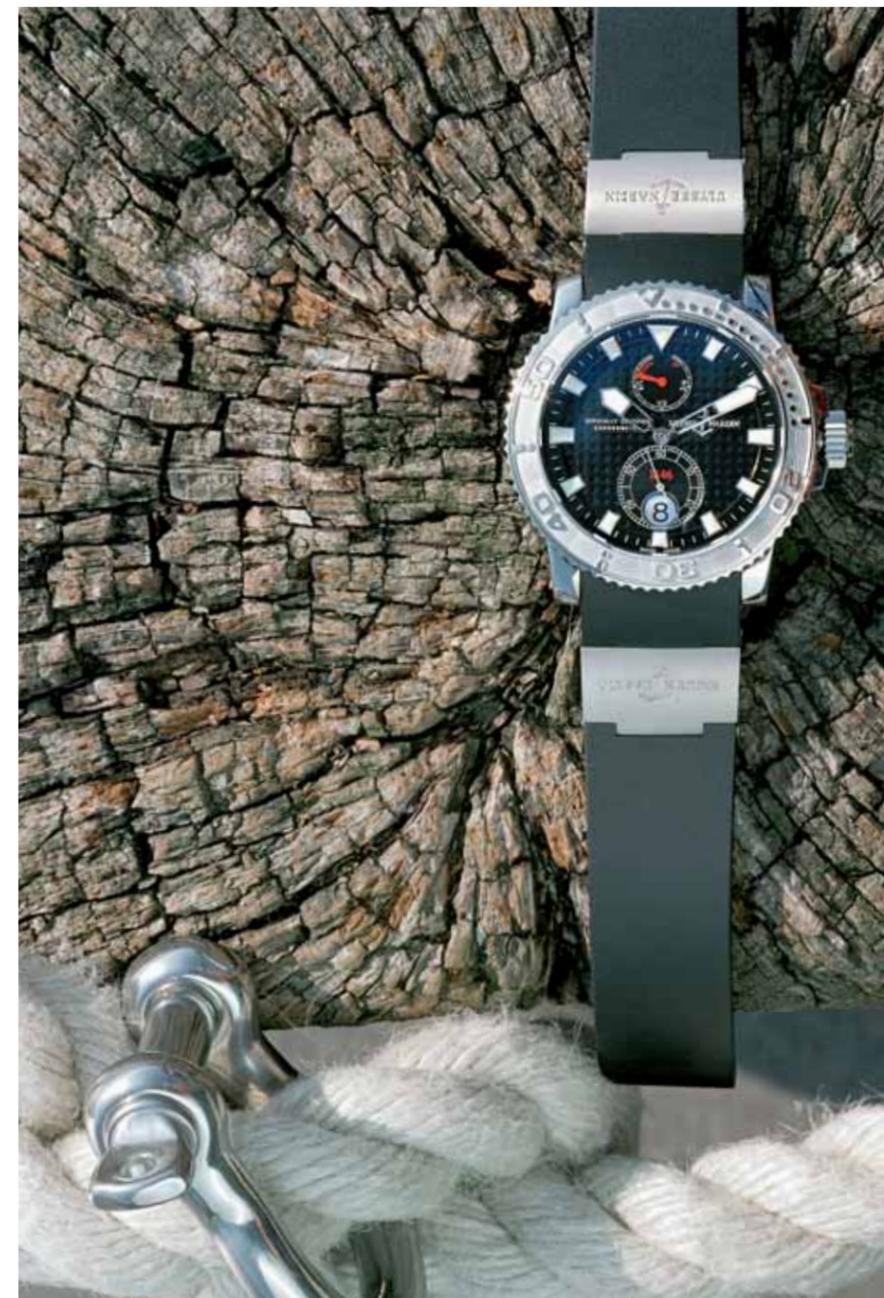
## Watch the Water





The question is familiar to water sportsmen: “Is it tight?” And they don’t mean each other, but in this case their most reliable companions: Their underwater watches. It’s a trend that has spread to landlubbers, and the watch-and-clock-making industry has reacted with regular precision to the demand, with entries in all price ranges. Depth alone won’t make a nautical watch, but waterproof capability, patented by Rolex in 1926, is a comfort, even in the swimming pool.

[02] **Omega Seamaster Planet Ocean** Tested chronometer, steel armband, non-reflecting sapphire glass, case with helium valve, various diameters, waterproof to 600 meters. Information: [www.omegawatches.com](http://www.omegawatches.com)



Being enthusiastic about maritime watches means, first and foremost, developing a feel for the dip and swell of the sea. Not necessarily for a particular watch, but generally, for the ambiance. The longing that such chronometers satisfy comes from the fascination with the deep blue. These watches convey the feeling of freedom to be able to set a course in any direction; they signal the necessary reserves for the extreme. Proven by the fact that, from the first channel crossing to the latest Admiral’s Cup, timepieces have always been on board, too, and have gotten through the hardships. There are good water nymphs, too.

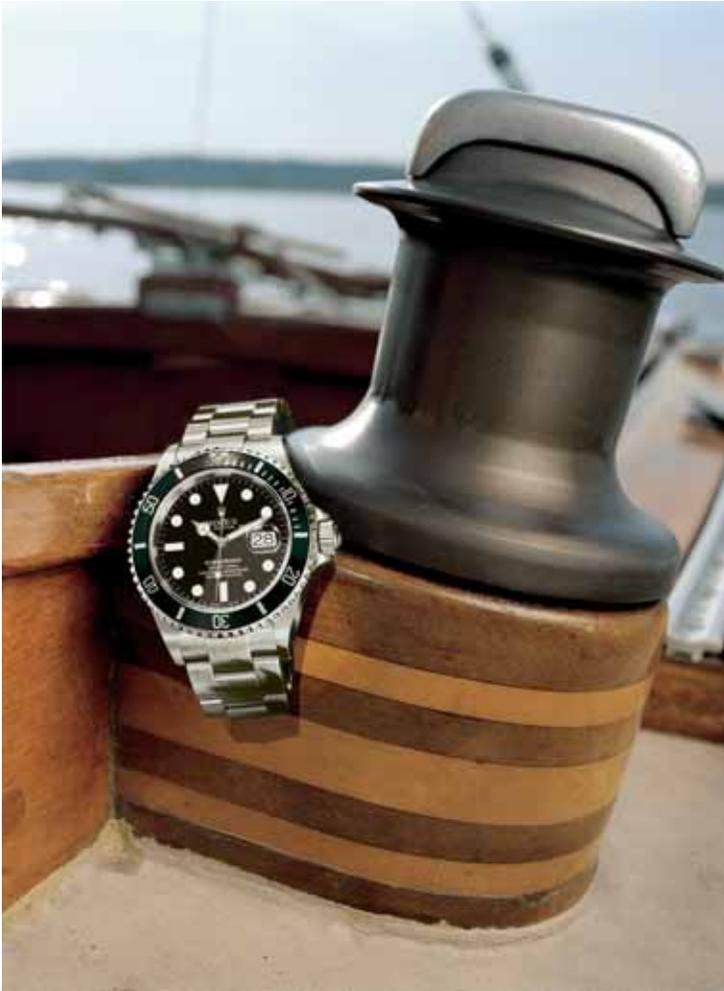
[03] **Ulysse Nardin Maxi Marine Diver** Certified chronometer, stainless steel with rubber armband and titanium elements, sapphire crystal glass, waterproof to 300 meters (1,000 ft.). Information: [www.ulyssse-nardin.com](http://www.ulyssse-nardin.com)

“The sea” also means “to see”: Be it signal flags, a little symbolic anchor, or a dial in porthole form—the wearers love the use of maritime symbols, if they’re only the stylized seahorse on the back of the Omega. That’s nostalgia—including some of the names, steeped in history: The Royal Oak, for example, got its name from a battleship; it’s become a timelessly peaceful message.

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**[04] Audemars Piguet Royal Oak Offshore** Chronograph, automatic, stainless steel with rubber armband, waterproof to 100 meters (330 ft.).  
Information: [www.audemarspiguet.com](http://www.audemarspiguet.com)





The classic navy watchmakers worried primarily about functionality; in times of minimalist design, their products are all the rage again. Maritime watches are classics—matching a three-piece suit as easily as the one-piece wet version. These treasures from the deep are a conscious contrast to the normally flat high-class watches. Watches like the Superocean Steelfish by Breitling, the Master Compressor Chronograph by Jaeger-LeCoultre, or the Luminor Marina by Panerai stand out, and they make an impression on any occasion.

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**[05] Rolex Oyster Perpetual Submariner Date** Automatic, stainless steel, diver's crystal, clicks in unilaterally, waterproof to 300 meters (1,000 ft.). Information: [www.rolex.com](http://www.rolex.com)

**[06] Corum Admiral's Cup** chronograph, automatic, stainless steel, crystal with 360 degrees of full markings and signal flags, bottom with view window, waterproof to 50 meters (150 ft.). Information: [www.corum.ch](http://www.corum.ch)

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