

FORTUNE CHARACTER: ICONIC WATCHES

DESIGNS THAT HAVE PASSED THE TEST

腕表的 ICON 情节

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An icon is a very recognizable and longstanding success story. No actor becomes an icon after one movie, and no product is considered an icon if it hasn't passed the test of time. Despite how difficult it is to achieve icon status, icons are all around us.

There are icons in vehicle design, like the Ford Mustang, the Chevy Corvette, the Aston Martin DB, the Ducati 996, the BMW 1200GS, the Harley-Davidson Road King and more. Icons in Chinese entertainment include Bruce Lee, Michelle Yeoh and Gong Li.

And, there are icons in the watch industry; watches we recognize immediately based on that certain something, a design that is timeless yet still modern, evergreen but still engaging and captivating.

Icon 是一个时代印记,一种文化标志,它的故事必定是广为流传、久经不衰的。仅一部电影无法让一个演员代表某个时代;不经历岁月的洗礼,某个产品也不会得到传承。Icon 就是一种标志,成就不易,却无处不在。

在汽车王国里,这类icon 可以是福特野马(Ford Mustang)、雪佛兰科尔维特(Chevrolet Corvette)、 阿斯顿马丁DB(Aston Martin DB)、

杜卡迪 996 (Ducati 996)、宝马 1200GS (BMW 1200GS)、哈雷戴维森"路王"系列(Harley-Davidson Road King);而在华人演艺圈,李小龙、杨紫琼、巩俐无疑是不同时代的icon。

在腕表世界里icon 是如何被定义的呢?它似乎是某种设计精神,亘古不变却又系动着时代的脉络,经久不息却依然充满着灵动与趣味。如果能从一款腕表身上感受到此般律动之美,那就找到了传承经典的符号。

What makes a watch iconic?

It's not easy to pin down what makes a watch iconic. A combination of great design and uniqueness, along with a dollop of great timing.

And is it luck, happenstance or planning? Can a watch manufacturer set out to create an icon, or does a company just stumble into good fortune when a watch becomes an icon? There is no right answer. Some watches, like the Cartier Tank and Rolex Daytona, were icons from the day they were introduced. Other watches, like the Hamilton Ventura, the Patek Philippe Calatrava and the Audemars Piguet Royal Oak, became icons because of their tremendous success and their extraordinary longevity in the brand's collection.



"I think every 'serious' watch companies is trying to create an icon, but whether it happens is another story," says Patrik Hoffmann, president, Ulysse Nardin.

> It is debatable whether watch companies set out to make an iconic watch. The best icons are perfect manifestations of a brand's DNA and have features that are interesting to both the brand and their target audiences, and they have enduring appeal. If the nature of the design stands the test of time it can naturally become iconic, a recognizable style of the brand.



如何给一款腕表刻上经典的符号? 片言只 字很难概括。伟大的设计,独特的风格, 岁月的考验,缺一不可。运气?偶然?还 是早有"预谋"? 经典能否按着精心设计 制造出来?而当经典真地诞生了,它的缔 造者就能财源滚滚吗? 这里没有确定的答

> 案。有些腕表在它们刚亮相时就 被传为佳话,卡地亚的"坦克" (Tank)和劳力士的"迪通拿" (Daytona)都属此类型;有些腕表 的功成名就,有赖于市场的成功和 品牌一贯的推崇,比如汉米尔顿的 Ventura、百达翡丽的Calatrava、爱 彼的"皇家橡树"(Royal Oak)。

雅典表总裁Patrik Hoffmann 曾说: "我觉得但凡'较真'的公司都会 试图打造一款经典, 但成功与否就是另一 码事了。"

Patek Philippe

Patek Philippe Calatrava Original 1934

Calatrava 2012

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要说手表制造商故意设法去打造某款经典 腕表, 其实是有待争议的。每个品牌最真 实的印记就是它的基因,这些特质既是品 牌自身的骄傲, 也为其受众所津津乐道。 如果这种设计能够经受时间的考验,它自 然会在世人面前脱颖而出,成为某种标 志。



◀ Hamilton Ventura

Original 1957



Messing with Success

During the lifespan of an icon, there are times when a brand wants to update that watch, or make a different version, and this can be a minefield. Look at the Ducati 999, which was an update of the legendary 996, a design that was universally panned. Other examples are any of the variations of the Ford Mustang that departed from its celebrated roots.

Updating an icon is like an artist that creates a masterpiece -- it's very difficult to add to it without changing the essence of what made it iconic in the first place. Cartier has been successful updating several of its iconic watches over the years, including the Tank, the Pasha and

the Santos. "You have to respect the true identity of an icon, respecting what makes this watch so particular and timeless and bringing modernity to it," Thierry Lamouroux, watchmaking marketing development director, Cartier, says. "If we take Tank Anglaise as an example, we can consider that we fully respect the Tank codes drawn by Louis Cartier himself in 1917: parallel brancards, Roman numerals, blued-steel sword shaped hands. But, in 2012, we went even further in integrating the crown to the brancards, making the case completely pure. It gives even more sense to this icon and continues the Tank story that never stops.'



▲ Bulgari Roma 2012



Piaget recently updated one of its iconic pieces, the Piaget Polo, with great success. "The launch of Piaget Polo was a revolution, in the sense that it was proposing a new attitude in high luxury: a casual way to wear gold and sometimes diamonds," says Philippe Leopold-Metzger, president, Piaget. "To achieve this goal, its aesthetic had to be cleverly designed. Its success shows that it was. We have been able to evolve the Polo from an all-gold watch to a titanium watch on rubber, while still keeping the codes of the line. But at the same time the plain gold models have very subtly changed through decades and keep intact the main stylistic features of the original."

The icons we have chosen here have never lost their way. Cartier, with its Tank, has successfully morphed the original into a host of designs. The Royal Oak from Audemars has had a number of variations and limited editions and is still going strong. Even Hamilton has updated the Ventura, while still keeping the original in its catalog (and that original is still a best seller).

Here is Fortune Character's list of the top iconic watches of all time. What watches do you consider to be icons?

"标志"诚可贵,"流传" 价更高

Icon 也有它的生命周期,甚至 会在有限的岁月里险遇重重暗 礁:它会被多次提上更新版本 的议程,或者被别的款式所替 代。看看杜卡迪就知道了,996 的一代传奇到了999 身上便沦为 众矢之的;而福特的野马也有 许多版本,但这些版本与最初 的精髓相去甚远。

更新一款标志性的经典腕表就 好比艺术家对自己的杰作伤筋 动骨:既要添砖加瓦,又不能 坏了原貌,谈何容易?卡地亚 这些年却成功地更新了数款经 典之作,这里面包括"坦克"

(Tank)、"帕莎"(Pasha)、"桑托斯"(Santos)。卡地亚手表市场开发总监Thierry Lamouroux 说: "想给一款经典注入时代的因子,就先得领悟它成功的故事,尊重它的独特个性。我们就拿Tank Anglaise来说,它的设计继承了路易斯·卡地亚本人早在1917年绘制的思路:平行的表壳切面,罗马数字,宝剑形蓝钢指针(注:更精确地说,1917年的Tank采用宝玑式指针,即Breguet hands。这种指针又称为月

亮针Moon hands, 其特色是近针尖处有个孔)。但在2012年的新款中, 我们将表冠(发条钮)埋入表壳内, 整体外观更为雄浑典雅。新的演绎反而更深得原型紧凑、硬朗、简洁的设计精髓, 让该系列的传奇得以延续。"

伯爵最近也成功更新了一款经典系列: Piaget Polo。伯爵总裁Philippe Leopold-Metzger说: "1979年推出的Piaget Polo 系列是一场革命,它对高端奢华提出了全 新的看法,鼓励人们在休闲的生活中配金 戴钻。设计风格必须彰显这一效果,而它 的成功也应证了这点。现在的Piaget Polo 已经从黄金进化到钛金时代,但仍然清晰 保持着原有的风格脉络。"

我们在这里谈到的几款标志性腕表都得到了很好的传承。卡地亚的Tank 系列版本虽多,但都能成功演绎那份最初的典雅。 Royal Oak 不仅普通款众多,还有限量款的设计,目前势头正旺。而汉米尔顿即使更新了Ventura,却仍保留了原始款的销售,它至今依然卖得最好。

你是否也想推荐自己心目中的标志性腕 表?我们在这里等待你的加入,一起畅侃 腕表世界的icon 文化······



New Icons

Watch companies are constantly working to produce their next icons. Here are three watches that have the chance to really become iconic, lasting, classic designs.

The A. Lange & Söhne Lange 1 – classic, clean and unique.

The Corum Admiral's Cup – a staple in Corum's collection, with many different variations, but all of them immediately recognizable as Admira's Cup.

The F.P. Journe Souveraine Chronomètre Optimum – its distinctive design is like nothing else on the market.



▲ FP Journe Souveraine Chronomètre Optimum



▲ A Lange & Sohne Lange 1

谁将成为下一代传奇?

手表制造商永远不会满足于当下的成功, "酝酿未来的经典"一直都是他们勇往直 前的动力。我们认为三款系列有望成为下 一代传奇:

Lange 1—— 朗格(A. Lange & Söhne) 在1994年重返表坛后首度提出的四款时计 之一。凭借其不对称和排列分明的显示布 局,以及特有的大日历显示,此表在过去 十多年来赢得无数奖项。它的经典、简洁 与独特充分诠释了以朗格为首的萨克森制 表工艺。

Admiral's Cup——昆仑(Corum) 著名的 "海军上将盃"。该系列于1960年面世, 专为海洋爱好者打造独具个性的运动时 计,已享誉半个世纪。

Chronomètre Optimum—Souveraine 系列中的全新杰作,是F. P. Journe 致力追求精确性、革新意念和卓越表现的最新结晶。它融汇了时间历史所累积下来的丰富知识,应用当代制表的尖端技术,参考伟大制表师的作品,设计独树一帜。





Fortune Character New Watch 1: The Hermès Atmos

Recently, I was invited to Paris by Hermès, and I assumed that they were unveiling a new watch prior to the BaselWorld fair. When I walked into the exhibition area, I was surprised to discover very modern crystal spheres set up throughout the hall. Turns out the introduction was not a new watch, but rather a new Hermès interpretation of the famous Jaeger-LeCoultre Atmos clock.

Invented in 1928, the Atmos is the closest thing to a perpetual motion timepiece ever conceived. Wound by the expansion and contraction of a gas-filled capsule – the capsule expands when the temperature rises and contracts when it falls — the Atmos is delivered to the client with an astonishing one year power reserve. According to the watchmakers in Jaeger's Atmos department, a difference of one degree is enough to wind the clock for 48 hours.

Hermès is no stranger to working with Jaeger-LeCoultre, having collaborated on watches from the 1930s to the 1970s. "We deeply respect their high craftsmanship and their values," says Luc Perramond, president, Hermès. "It is a great accomplishment to renew our historical ties with such a unique masterpiece like the Atmos Hermès table clock. Both Houses are sharing the importance of high craftsmanship and respect the history which makes this collaboration as an obvious opportunity. The Atmos Hermès clock has given us the chance to work on an exceptional design in order to host the unique Atmos movement from Jaeger-LeCoultre. This has been an opportunity for all of us to express our creativity and high level of craftsmanship.'

The very cool design is a crystal globe that surrounds the Atmos movement, using the double overlay technique (coating layers of crystal over each other, giving a three-dimensional effect). The result is a fascinatingly futuristic design which uses circles of clear glass against white enamel, allowing a view into the Atmos movement. The globe is painstakingly manufactured by the glassmakers from Les Cristalleries de Saint-Louis, founded in 1586, a company owned by Hermès.

Only 176 pieces of this stunning clock are being made, exclusively through authorized Hermès retailers. Retail price: 30,000 chf.

本期新品推荐

(一) 爱马仕空气钟

编者最近应邀出席了爱马仕位于巴黎的展览会。虽然对他们在巴塞尔前夕发布新款的举动早有心理准备,但当我走进展厅时却倍感意外。整个大厅布满了现代感十足的球形水晶座钟,这让我立刻领悟到爱马仕的用意所在:这不是一场新表发布会,而是爱马仕对积家(Jaeger-LeCoultre)著名空气钟的重新演绎。

诞生于1928年的空气钟是积家研制的恒动时计,其机械构造不同凡响:无需电池或电源,巧妙的设计以空气为动力运转;在一个密封罩内充满混合气体,气体随环境温度的细微变化产生膨胀或收缩;密封罩通过手风琴风箱般的反复膨胀收缩,不断为座钟上链。当买家拿到这款产品时,它内部拥有维持一年的动能;而据积家所称,仅一度的温差就能让它运转48小时。

爱马仕与积家并不陌生,两家的合作从20世纪30年代持续至70年代。爱马仕总裁

Luc Perramond 说: "我们深深仰慕积家的工艺水准与价值观念。将空气钟的设计融合到爱马仕的杰作中,是我们诠释经典的一个壮举。爱马仕和积家都尊重工艺与传统,我们的合作绝非偶然。通过这一设计,我们可以将空气钟卓越的设计理念传承下来,展示我们的创新与匠心。"

水晶球体将空气围住,双面水晶涂层赋予 它立体的视觉感受。透明效果与乳白光芒 交替,无形的空气化为有形,它将人、环 境与永恒的时间联系起来。这款水晶玻璃 罩出于Les Cristalleries de Saint-Louis 的巧匠之手,这是一家成立于1586年的老牌水晶制造商,现归爱马仕旗下。

爱马仕、积家、Les Cristalleries de Saint-Louis 三个品牌发挥各自超凡的想象与技艺,联手共同制作了176座爱马仕空气钟,在爱马仕的专卖店出售,售价3万瑞郎(约19.5万人民币)。

Fortune Character New Watch 2: The Mondaine Stop2Go

One of the coolest watches I have ever owned was the original Mondaine Stop-To-Go, a watch that perfectly mimicked the Swiss Railway clocks – all the train station clocks in Switzerland are synchronized each minute, all the second hands across the country stopping for a long, two-second beat at the 12 o'clock position, then continuing on. It's a very cool feature, both in the clocks and on that watch.

Unfortunately, Mondaine discontinued that watch due to the engineering challenges of making the second hand stop every minute. Now, Mondaine has solved the problems and is reintroducing the timepiece, now christened Stop2Go, and I can't wait to get my hands on this watch.

The dial uses the famous Swiss Railway Clock design (Mondaine is the Official Watch of the Swiss Railways), which is cool, iconic and traditional yet modern at the same time. Keep an eye out for this watch. At around \$700, it's a real treat. www.mondaine.ch

(二)瑞士国铁Stop2Go

编者拥有一块自认为是最酷的腕表: Mondaine Stop-To-Go的首款版。瑞士火车 一向以安全准时而著称,所有火车站都挂 着标志性的大钟,其红色圆秒针经典设计 已授权给钟表制造商Mondaine(国铁), 生产各式手表。除了其简约的设计,这些 时钟都有一个共同的特点,那就是确保瑞 士火车的准时性: 秒针每分钟暂停两秒, 在此期间,瑞士铁路网的每一个时钟都是 同步的。而Stop2Go便是一款模拟瑞士火车 站大钟的系列手表。

但由于让秒针每分钟暂停两秒的技术难度极大,国铁曾一度将该系列停产。幸好现在难题已被攻克,Stop2Go 重获新生。它搭载了一款全新机芯与瑞士铁路时间同步,这得益于Mondaine 独特的技术构思:由瑞士制造的Mondaine calibre 58-02 机芯使用两个引擎,一个驱动秒针,另一个驱使分针跳动(并因此转动时针),以便模拟瑞士火车站时钟的运转。秒针在第58 秒令表盘发生变化,在12点的位置暂停两秒,然后继续移动而分针已经跳过。这款手表售价约700美元,但极富收藏趣味,同时也是对瑞士钟表文化的一个致意。



▲ Mondaine Stop2Go

What Makes Them Tick: Emmanuel Chriqui on Watches and Design

Emmanuelle Chriqui is best known for her role as Sloane on HBO's successful series "Entourage." Born in Montreal, she got her big break at the tender age of 10 in a McDonald's commercial.

In addition to "Entourage," she has appearing in movies, TV shows, theater, video games and voice overs, and she is now an international ambassador for Baume & Mercier. And her latest hat? Strap designer.

"I designed the new Linea straps with the Baume & Mercier team," she says proudly. "Ten months ago, I came to Geneva, and we went through the whole line, I got a complete history lesson and I saw how things were made. These straps are designed to be worn from April to September, so it's perfect for spring and summer. They come in white, taupe and orange, and the straps are really easy to change.'

"It was really fun and I am really happy," she continues. "It was my first foray into design and I would love to do it again. I have such a great collaboration with Baume & Mercier and I would love to do more."







Chriqui comes by her love for watches naturally, as her father is a big watch lover. "I love watches because, other than the fact they tell time, they are another piece of wonderful jewelry,' she details. "They are statement pieces, you can wear something big or something little and elegant, and it really puts the outfit together. My father has a nice collection of watches, so I've always been surrounded by watches."

An actress's life is governed by time, so a watch is a necessity in order to be on time to auditions, rehearsals and performances. "Time plays a huge role in my life," she admits. "I have been doing theater in New York, and time is such a huge factor. We have a one hour call, a 45 minute call, all the way down to the actual start of the show.

amped for the day and I love the moment when I walk into the theater and start the ritual, psyching myself up to have a great show.

"The beauty of acting and make-believe is that time seems to stop," she adds. "When I am on set and I am just doing what I love to do, even on the longest day I can't believe that it's gone by so quickly. Time really seems to vanish."

Chriqui remembers her first watch, a Guess watch with a thick bracelet which her Dad bought her. Now, working with Baume & Mercier, she has her pick of the collection. "I have a custom Linea that is so beautiful, which is understated and elegant," she says. "It is on the new strap I designed, which I love. Every time they bring out a new collection, I see what catches my eye."

明星与腕表

明星档案:埃曼纽尔·施莱琪(Emmanuelle Chriqui), 1977年出生于加拿大蒙特 利尔。十岁时因出演麦当劳广告而走上 演艺之路,曾在热门美剧《明星伙伴》 (Entourage) 中以出色表演赢得大批粉 丝。在该剧中,她扮演一位生存在污浊娱乐圈里的完美女人Sloane。除了拍剧,她还在电影屏幕中亮相,另外还参与电视节目、舞台剧、配音和电视游戏角色。天秤座的她以性感著称,曾于06年在Maxim杂志的百大性感美女排行榜上名列第37位。目前是瑞士名士表(Baume & Mercier)的品牌国际代言人。最新头衔:表带设计师。

"名士表最新的Linea(灵寬)系列表带就是我参与设计的,"她非常自豪地说道: "10个月前我来到日内瓦,彻头彻尾补习了一遍名士表的历史,也了解了一些工艺流程。这些表带适用于四月到九月,所以春夏就是它的季节。颜色以白、褐、橙三色为主,调换十分容易。"

"这是我第一次客串做了回设计师,但很

喜欢这种感觉,以后还想尝试。我与名士 表合作得很开心,很愿意为它多出一份 力。"

因为父亲是个腕表迷,施莱琪对腕表的热爱便由此而生。"我爱腕表不仅因为它能准确报时,更因为它是一件神奇的珠宝。它们代表了你的想法:端庄,休闲,还是高雅,它总有事半功倍的效果。我父亲收藏了很多腕表,它们伴随着我的成长。"

时间主宰着演员的生活,试音、排练、出演都需要它作保障。"时间对我太重要了。我在纽约演舞台剧,必须准时。正式表演前1小时会有通报,一刻钟后还有,一直到最后一次通报,表演就这样开始了。""有意思的是,这么多年过来了演艺仍然是我最喜欢的事业。每天早上醒来我都会脸带

微笑,为了一天的演出先预预热,接着我便会进入亢奋状态。我很享受走进剧场登上舞台的那种激动时刻。"

"演出给我带来一种美妙的感受,时间似乎是静止的。而当我投入地去做任何我爱做的事情,我都有这种感受:我感觉不到时间的流动,但当我从戏中走出,它已彻底消失了。"

施莱琪还记得她的第一枚手表是父亲买的 Guess,配有厚厚的金属表带。而今作为 名士表的代言人,她当然对这个品牌的精 品系列情有独钟了。"我有一款定制的灵 霓腕表,低调而高雅,表带是我自己设计 的,我很喜欢。我会关注每个新的系列, 看看哪一款腕表能征服我的眼睛。"



▲ Maurice Lacroix Locomotive

Maurice Lacroix Sponsors Swiss Railway Engine

To help spread the word about Maurice Lacroix, the brand has wrapped a locomotive engine in Maurice Lacroix colors, with a huge Pontos chronograph on the side. "This will reinforce our position in Switzerland, and more people will know

the brand all over the country," says president Marc Glaser. An interesting, and innovative, idea. I can't wait to see it on the rails!

业界趣闻

为扩大宣传, 艾美表 (Maurice Lacroix)



▲ Maurice Lacroix President Marc Glaser

赞助了瑞士火车车头,并用自家图案加以包装,车头侧面亮出一个巨幅的奔涛手表(Pontos)。"这么一来我们的名声就家喻户晓了,"艾美表总裁Marc Glaser 这般乐道。编者也觉得很新奇,迫不及待想目睹一下"艾美"派瑞士火车头之风采。