

Time For Something *Scary* Cool

THESE WATCHES ARE PERFECT FOR HALLOWEEN...OR ANY OTHER DAY

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These watches are a bit funky, a little scary, a lot out of the ordinary. In short, they're perfect for this macabre season. But don't worry—these are meticulously crafted watches that can be worn all year round (unlike those plastic vampire teeth).

SPEAKE-MARIN MIRROR SKULL

US \$18,900, limited edition of 20 pieces, speake-marin.com

Watchmaker Peter Speake-Marin, a Brit living in Switzerland, is known for his attention to detail, fine finishing and high-end watchmaking. The skulls on the dial are etched using chemical engraving.



PERRELET TURBINE TOXIC

US \$8,600, perrelet.com

Perrelet's namesake, Abraham-Louis Perrelet, invented the automatic movement and the modern-day brand celebrates this with a turning turbine-like rotor over the dial, giving motion to the watch and alternately showing and hiding the skull beneath.



ANGULAR MOMENTUM EERIE COLLECTION

\$14,000 - \$20,000, unique made-to-order piece, angularmomentum.com

Martin Pauli, the founder of Angular Momentum, specializes in reverse miniature painting. The artwork is painted backward on the underside of the sapphire crystal, so the image on this appears right-side up.



ARTYA WEREWOLF WITH BLOOD DIAL

7,900 CHF, unique piece, artya.luxuryartpieces.com

Every watch made by Artya's watch production is a unique piece. The Werewolf featured here has real blood under the dial (donated by Yvan Arpa, the founder and chief designer of Artya's timepieces). Another variation of this watch is the Werewolf Silver Bullet with real...you guessed it ... silver bullets.



BELL & ROSS BR01-92-AIRBORNE 672

US \$44,000, limited edition of 99 pieces, bellross.com

Bell & Ross is inspired by aviation. The death's head featured on this watch is a nod to Airborne Divisions, whose motto is "Death From Above."



ROMAIN JEROME DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

\$15,900, romainjerome.ch

Inspired by and honoring the Mexican "Día de los Muertos" ("The Day of the Dead"), this watch captures the festive spirit of the holiday, with its bright colors, but the grim skull reminds us all of our mortality.

GRIEB & BENZIGER AREA 51

40,000 Euro/\$53,000, Grieb-Benzinger.com

Grieb & Benziger has been thriving with unique, made-to-order timepieces. Their workshop is even in a medieval German castle. Known for incredible skeletonization, Grieb & Benziger looked to the heavens for the inspiration for this piece and found it in Area 51.



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