

REUGE presents its "Racing Symphony"

Hands on the wheel, eyes on the road, senses alert - REUGE presents its first creation dedicated to the lovers of racing. "The Racing Symphony" music automaton plays some of the greatest action songs in a mid-engine sports car of the Brand's own design.

In the early 20th century, with the popularity of automobiles across the world, land speed records were broken one by one by fearless drivers and in less than 40 years mankind was knocking on the gates of 600 km/hr! . The intoxicating call of competition brought brave and ingenious designs alive, such as placing the engine behind the driver. In 1933, Auto-Union , which later became Audi, designed 16-cylinder powerhouse-engines which provided a great weight-balance ratio due to its central gravity configuration. Within the next five years, these supercharged machines were dominating Grand Prix races until the outbreak of World War II.

Devoted to crafting world-class musical automatons, REUGE dedicates its new creation to those who have been captivated by the world of racing. The "Racing Symphony" is REUGE's contemporary interpretation of the mid-engine innovation, which was a game-changer in motor racing history.

Calling for speed, the modern REUGE chassis strikes with dynamic curves and its sharp design. Made entirely of aluminium, the race car is a result of a multidisciplinary and handcrafted cooperation used as well in the automotive industry. It all starts with a clay model drawn by the design team that is sent to an art foundry. In a custom-made mould, aluminium is poured in a sand shell to create the car's chassis. For a week, the craftsmen will sand the raw material to draw the precise and cut lines of the "Racing Symphony". The vivid colors are real car paint applied with spray just like on race cars at a coachbuilder in Sainte-Croix. Hand sanding is used between each stage to ensure the precision of the finishing. The colors refer to the competing nations from the heydays: red for Italy, blue for France, green for the UK and yellow for Belgium. The lacquered metallic stripe runs along the daring shape like the blowing wind. The "Racing Symphony" is available in four 16-piece limited editions in each color and each piece has a plate engraved with its unique number.

Do you get goosebumps from the sound of the engine? Watch the twin musical cylinders of the "Racing Symphony" play six action melodies on two 72-Note meticulously tuned combs over the rear window.

To look like a real sports car, REUGE applies two independent symmetric movements in an automaton, inspired by the 16-cylinder powerhouse of the Auto Union series from the 1930s. The pins on the musical cylinders and the combs are meticulously fixed by hand in the Ateliers of Sainte-Croix to play the most rich and authentic melodies possible. The air inlet on each side of the sports car hosts another moving part, the flying wheels. Their mission this time is not to cool the engine, but to regulate the rotation of each cylinder for the right music speed. Switches in the inlet start and stop the movements.

Being a mechanical automaton, the energy required to operate the movements is manually generated with a carbon-coated steel winding key. The two independent movements have two barrels situated in the cockpit and their mainsprings can be wound up with the key through the two exhaust pipes.

For the highest hearing experience, the musical movement stands on columns fitted to a wooden resonance box underneath. Serving beyond its main purpose of amplifying the organic sound, the wooden pedestal covered with a black lacquered composite gives the impression of the asphalt running underneath the tires. Are you ready for a musical ride ?

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About REUGE

CRAFTING MUSIC, MOTION & EMOTION: based in Sainte-Croix (Switzerland) since 1865, REUGE is considered as the world leader of musical automatons. With more than 155 years of expertise, REUGE manufactures pieces that are technically, acoustically and aesthetically superlative. Combining the motion of an automaton with an exquisite sonority offers an unparalleled experience of the senses. Forward-thinking and innovation define REUGE just as much as its respect for traditional craftsmanship. The Brand relentlessly seeks new materials, original themes and ground-breaking acoustics, making way for the contemporary music boxes of the 21st century. REUGE's ability to transform inanimate metal into emotion continues to enthrall those who seek a true work of art, reaching beyond fleeting trends.

The "Racing Symphony" features

Limited Edition

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6 Melodies

Caliber Twin 3.72-Note plays six 36-second melodies.

1st Movement : Mission Impossible, James Bond and Back to the Future

2nd Movement : Godfather, Edelweiss, Symphony No 9

Specifications:

Weight : 6 kg

Dimensions : 45 cm x 25 cm x 12 cm

To Start and Stop the Movement

Switches in the inlet start and stop the movements.

To wind up the Movement

11 minutes power reserve for each movement, wound up with the carbon-coated steel winding key through the two exhaust pipes of the car following the direction of the arrow