



# HYT

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## Ahead of Their Time

Innovative designs—including one made with liquids—are some of the highlights for watches in 2012.

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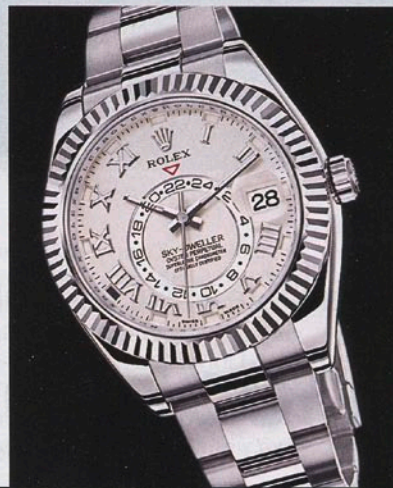
**LIQUID INDICATOR** ▶  
\$47,000 to \$69,000  
hytwatches.com

The watch world is buzzing about the debut of the HYT H1, a unique hydromechanical timekeeper. What makes the H1 so startling is its use of liquid, typically a source of damage to a mechanical watch. Two bellows, driven by miniature hydraulic pistons, push two liquids—one fluorescent green and the other clear—through a tiny glass tube around the dial. The fluorescent liquid advances through the tube to indicate the hours on the outer scale.



▲ **COPERNICUS'S MOVEMENTS**  
\$258,700  
harrywinston.com

Inspired by Copernican theories of planetary rotation, the Harry Winston Opus 12 employs an unconventional method of telling the time: 12 pairs of markers on the dial's periphery, the shorter ones for hours and the longer ones for minutes, rotate in rapid succession. The markers flip from silver to blue surfaces to indicate the time and back to silver to become neutral.



◀ **TRAVEL MATE**  
Price upon request  
rolex.com

The Oyster Perpetual Sky-Dweller features Rolex's first new complication in almost 50 years—a second time-zone ring and annual calendar ideal for global travelers. Rolex acquired 14 patents for its system, which uses a rotating bezel to select the function to change: local time, reference time (represented on a 24-hour scale around the dial) or date. The wearer then simply turns the winding crown backward or forward to set each one.

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