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# HYT Releases Modern Retro H2 Tradition

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The H2 Tradition is the latest timepiece from Swiss luxury watch manufacturer HYT, and forms part of the company's H2 Collection. The Tradition carries the modern execution seen in previous HYT products, but as the name suggests, also embodies design from watches of old.

HYT has developed a timepiece that builds on the company's previous offerings, retaining the hydro-mechanical technology that has intrigued and delighted watch aficionados. However, while there is no doubting the modern credentials of the H2 Tradition, the timepiece also offers a nod to vintage watches; a meeting of contemporary classic and futuristic retro.



Tradition also boasts some firsts for HYT. This is the first product to feature a guilloché finish, while lacquered dials and blued hands are also making their debut with the new H2. HYT is adept at juxtaposing new and old, so fans of the company's previous efforts in the H2 series and beyond will be pleased to see familiarity alongside some new ideas.

The timepiece is driven by two bellows sitting on either side of 6 o'clock, something first included back in 2013 on the original H2 model. The Tradition is a stablemate of that unit and sports a diamond guilloché main plate, an ogival shaped crown and blued hands, making it an elegant edition to the range.

The company had to re-design the case of the H2, removing the crown protector to give the Tradition its sophisticated retro look. The overhaul applied to the normal H2 design saw HYT turn to mechanical watchmakers APRP once again, the two companies continuing a collaboration that has proved successful with previous HYT releases.



The main plate of the H2 Tradition is thicker than previous incarnations so as to accommodate the diamond guilloché finish in rhodium-plated nickel silver. HYT also reconstructed, polished, and hand-bevelled all the bridges, highlighting that while the Tradition is part of the H2 family, it is very much a timepiece created from the ground up.

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