



Patek Philippe

Investing in Wristwatches

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- Timepieces selected by senior horological expert Osvaldo Patrizzi
- Comprehensive work of reference
- Analysis of auction results
- Finest Patek Philippe watches
- Essential for all enthusiasts
- Follow-up to Rolex: *Investing in Wristwatches* ISBN 9781788841245

Patek Philippe: Investing in Wristwatches offers detailed insights into the world of authenticating and pricing high-value wristwatches, for all collectors from amateur to connoisseur.

This publication includes the vast majority of key Patek models, along with their relevant auction results. Each timepiece has been carefully selected by legendary horological expert Osvaldo Patrizzi. These wristwatches excel for a diverse range of reasons, including technical excellence, auction records, design and anecdotal history. A description of each watch is accompanied by its picture, reference and sales values (rights included).

The follow-up to *Rolex: Investing in Wristwatches*, this vital and comprehensive work of reference also includes a system to calculate the currency exchange rate at the time of auction sales. And a comparative analysis of auction results, compiled through close collaboration with the Sotheby's auction house, shows the evolution of prices from the '80s up to the present day.

After graduating in 1989 from the IULM University of Milan, **Mara Cappelletti** attended the 'History of Jewelry' course and the 'Art of Islamic countries, India, China, Korea and Japan' short course at the Sotheby's Institute of Art in 2005. She is founder and president of Associazione Culturale Stile e Storia, working in art, fashion and jewellery. From 2011-2012, Cappelletti was the curator and author, together with Osvaldo Patrizzi, of *The Masters of Time* (24 Ore Cultura): a collection of 25 monographs dedicated to the world's finest watchmakers and founders of the greatest Maisons. In January 2020, Cappelletti was the main curator of the exhibition *Stile Milano* (Milano Style). She had previously curated 2015 exhibition *Jewels Of Taste* as part of the Expo In Citta, supported by the University of Milano, Associazione Orafa Lombarda, and The World Jewellery Confederation CIBJO. **Osvaldo Patrizzi** has held a long fascination with horology. He served as an apprentice watchmaker in Milan from 1965-1973, before being employed as a restorer of antique watches. He went on to become an Expert of the Italian Association of Antique Horology Dealers and a consultant for the Swiss Custom. He founded the Galerie d'Horlogerie Ancienne, which became Antiquorum in 1981. In 2007, he founded PATRIZZI & CO. AUCTIONEERS. Across the course of his long and illustrious career, Patrizzi has been responsible for selling over 75% of all the watches ever sold for over one million dollars. His 'Grading System' is the most reliable way for collectors to gauge the condition of their prospective investments.