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The Favre Leuba Chief Tourbillon Returns with Guilloché Artistry

Following the highly successful launch and critical acclaim of last year's limited-edition Chief Tourbillon, Favre Leuba now presents the second edition of this exceptional timepiece, issued in a limited run of just 25 pieces. Retaining the same movement developed in collaboration with the master watchmaker Jean-François Mojon, this new iteration is distinguished by a hand-guilloché dial, meticulously crafted on a vintage rose engine lathe from the late 19th century.

Artistic Evolution of the Chief Tourbillon

When the Chief collection was elevated into the world of high horology with the Chief Tourbillon in 2025, it was met with nothing but praise from customers and critics alike. A refined case silhouette, a complex three-dimensional dial made by master craftspeople using specially engineered tools, and, to top it all, the brilliant tourbillon calibre made in collaboration with Jean-François Mojon– one of today's most inventive movement makers, whose expertise has shaped creations for some of the most respected names in watchmaking, including MB&F, Czapek and Hermès.

This year’s Chief Tourbillon Guilloché runs on the same caliber FL T01, offering the same precision and reliability as the previous edition. It is housed in a refined, multi-finished cushion-shaped steel case, like other Chief watches, and is sized at 41 mm.

Hand-Guilloché Perfection

The new expression of the Chief Tourbillon is an equally resplendent one, with fine Guilloché work. In a pleasing shade of blue, the Guilloché execution is that of a *grain d’orge*, or barleycorn pattern, which emanates from the center of the dial. Each hand-guilloché dial takes a minimum of five to six hours of painstaking precision by a trained craftsman working on a vintage rose engine lathe from the late 19th century, with no margin for error. And as a result, it has a striking visual impact, as the light it reflects shifts when viewed from different angles.

"With this new edition, we elevate the Chief Tourbillon through the artistry of hand-guilloché, giving each dial its own unique character and making every timepiece truly one of a kind," says Patrik Hoffmann, CEO, Favre Leuba.

Adding further visual depth to the display are applied, rhodium-plated hour indexes with a polished finish, filled with Super-LumiNova C1 X1 and emitting a blue glow in low light. This is also seen on the rhodium-plated central hands, which feature a brushed finish with a sandblasted groove. Meanwhile, the small seconds hand on the tourbillon cage at six o’clock is in blued steel.

Running the Show: Jean-François Mojon’s Chronode Movement

At the heart of the Chief Tourbillon Guilloché beats the manual-winding caliber FL T01 (base: Chronode C502)—an established caliber that Jean-François Mojon reworked from the ground up for Favre Leuba. Featuring 23 jewels and running at a frequency of 21,600 vibrations per hour, the efficient caliber offers a power reserve of about 60 hours.

Chronode has succeeded in infusing the movement’s architecture with Favre Leuba’s DNA. The opposing sections of the tourbillon cage’s upper bridge evoke an hourglass, hinting at the brand’s emblem. This bridge also supports the rehaut of the small seconds dial, and at its center, the flame-blued small seconds—three functions merged into a component as complex to precision-engineer as it is to finish.

The tourbillon cage, measuring 14.85 mm in diameter, offers an expansive view of the movement in action. Attention to detail is taken to the extreme: the tourbillon bridge has a horizontally brushed finish on its top surface, running parallel to the 3 o'clock–9 o'clock axis, while its outer edge, which carries the seconds track, features a circular-grain finish.

The caseback captivates with its own dedicated decoration: a spiral-relief hourglass set against a laser-engraved background that creates a refined, satin-like texture. The blue screws pay tribute to Favre Leuba's long-standing watchmaking traditions, dating back to 1737.

One Fine Tourbillon Watch, Two Straps

Affixed to the Chief Tourbillon is a steel bracelet with brushed 'H'-shaped links and polished central links. This is easily interchangeable with an integrated blue FKM rubber strap, which is also included with the watch.

The Chief Tourbillon Guilloché Dial is available as a limited edition of 25 pieces and retails at:

26'000 CHF
26,000 GBP
30,000 EUR
34,500 USD

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Technical Specifications

Case: Stainless steel, water-resistant to 10 ATM, curved sapphire crystal with anti-reflective coating, sapphire caseback

Diameter: 41 mm

Thickness: 11.45 mm

Movement: FL T01 (based on Chronode C502), manual-winding tourbillon, 60-hour power reserve, 21,600 VPH (3 Hz), 23 jewels

Decoration: Geneva stripes, anthracite finish, blue screws, ratchet wheel engraved with Favre Leuba logo

Functions: Hours, minutes, small seconds, tourbillon carriage (one-minute rotation)

Dial: Blue barleycorn-pattern hand-guilloché dial; rhodium-plated polished indexes with Super-LumiNova C1 X1 blue; satin-brushed/sandblasted rhodium-plated hour and minute hands with Super-LumiNova C1 X1 blue; flame-blued small seconds hand

Bracelet/Strap: Interchangeable; integrated brushed and polished steel bracelet with double-link construction and folding clasp; supplied with an additional blue rubber strap which matches the dial with Favre Leuba pin buckle

Watch Box: The Chief Tourbillon comes in a high-grade wooden box featuring an additional strap, medallion and loupe.

Price:
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Limited Edition: 25 pieces

About Favre Leuba:

Founded in 1737 in Le Locle, Favre Leuba is the second-oldest Swiss watchmaking brand. With a legendary history spanning nearly three centuries, the maison has been a pioneer in creating mechanical instruments for “Conquering Frontiers.”

Following a global relaunch in 2024, Favre Leuba has entered a new “Renaissance” era. The brand’s contemporary catalog is built on five distinct pillars—Chief, Sea Sky, Deep Raider, and the recently introduced collections Harpoon and 1737—which blend historic design codes with modern mechanical advancement. In 2026, Favre Leuba marked a defining milestone by exhibiting at Watches and Wonders Geneva for the first time ever.

Headquartered in Grenchen, Switzerland, Favre Leuba remains dedicated to providing exceptional value and Swiss-made precision to a new generation of explorers and watch enthusiasts.