Nomos is perhaps the ultimate, modern-day watchmaking poster child of the Bauhaus movement. For a start, the brand is German and not shy about trumpeting its focus on utilitarianism: superfluous details have no place on a Nomos watch. At the same time, the brand is not afraid to embrace its quirky side, as shown by the introduction of the Ahoi Aqua series.

Presented in a 36mm case, the Ahoi neomatik is the Nomos version of a classic dive watch, with a modern twist. Embracing the company’s guiding principle of form follows function, everything you see serves a purpose and yet has all been beautifully integrated into the overall design. An elegant guard protects the screwed-down crown to ensure it can’t be knocked loose while the watch is underwater. The case-back, complete with sapphire crystal showing the in-house Nomos caliber DUW 3001 at work, is fixed in place with six screws, ensuring water resistance up to 200m. The dial displays the classic Nomos typography, making it not only highly legible but also instantly recognisable. Best of all it comes in several different versions, including models with blue and red dials.

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