Press release



Lambda - 175 Years Watchmaking Glashütte is celebrating watchmaking history.

Perfect for every day

NOMOS Glashütte is celebrating 175 years of watchmaking history with haute horlogerie in stainless steel. Lambda enamel white, black, and blue are limited edition—and works of watchmaking art

GLASHÜTTE, OCTOBER 2020. A new stainless steel case, a new size, new dials in enamel white, black, and blue, and regulated according to chronometer standards: In short, that's what makes these three new timepieces celebrating 175 years of Glashütte watchmaking special. Each colorway is limited to 175 pieces, and each individual watch is crafted using the traditional techniques of this historic town.

The enamel gloss of the dials offers an unusual optical depth; an effect enhanced by the curve of the dial and sapphire crystal glass. The highly-polished steel, rarely found in fine watchmaking, makes these watches suitable for everyday wear. The name Lambda stands for "intrinsic values" in mathematics—in other words, for a value that remains constant.

Lambda features a complication: the power reserve indicator. It sweeps an arc across the dial and tracks 84 hours, or three-and-a-half days, accurate to the hour. The four needle-thin hands give this watch model a graceful elegance—with fine features reminiscent of a kinetic sculpture.

The polished case of the watch frames the dial with a slender bezel, while the transition from the side to the back of the case is a radiodrome; that is, a curve with a shrinking radius. The lugs reflect the curved form of the case as well.

The mechanical movement is also something special. Lambda is powered by DUW 1001, and is the first caliber to bear the title "Deutsche Uhrenwerke NOMOS Glashütte." A large, slender caliber with twin mainspring barrels, 29 jewels within ensure flawless functioning—with six of them in hand-polished screwed chatons, reflecting traditional watchmaking. All edges are also polished by hand, with black polishing on individual steel parts.

The fine sunburst polishing on the three-quarter plate is eye-catchingly beautiful: a polish that is only found in NOMOS timepieces, and has become a part of traditional Glashütte watchmaking since Lambda. By contrast, the regulatory system of screw balance and swan neck fine adjustment in this model has its roots in history. The spring of the swan neck fine adjustment is positioned on top of the balance cock. This reads "Lovingly produced in Glashütte" in German—a message hand-engraved by a highly skilled watchmaker. And another example of the town's rich heritage.

NOMOS Glashütte upholds traditions while representing a modern take on watchmaking. Alongside the iconic German timepiece Tangente, NOMOS Glashütte also crafts haute horlogerie models like Lambda. And regardless of which model it is for—every caliber is handcrafted by NOMOS watchmakers in Glashütte.

If you would like to learn more about this, as well as NOMOS watches and Glashütte's 175-year-old heritage, just let us know. We're always happy to hear from you!

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Accompanying images



1. The dials shine with enamel gloss in white, black, and blue, encased in sapphire crystal glass and a polished stainless steel case: Lambda – 175 Years Watchmaking Glashütte is celebrating watchmaking history. It's haute horlogerie, suitable for everyday wear.



2. The enamel gloss of the dials offers an unusual optical depth; an effect enhanced by the curve of the dial and sapphire crystal glass. Shown here: Lambda – 175 Years Watchmaking Glashütte in enamel white. This model is also available in blue and black, with each color limited to just 175 pieces.



3. Lambda from NOMOS Glashütte: The power reserve of this watch sweeps across the dial in a wide arc, combining with the seconds, minute, and hour hands to create a beautiful watch face. "Lovingly produced in Glashütte" is engraved in German on the balance cock of this watch—although that's also clear from the first glance of the dial.



4. You could also tell the time using the power reserve indicator: Lambda ticks for three-and-a-half days—so 84 hours—before needing to be rewound, thanks to the twin mainspring barrels in its caliber DUW 1001. And the exceptional indicator displays the remaining power exact to the hour; a feature made possible thanks to the particular NOMOS construction.



5. The blue of this dial also shimmers with an elegant enamel finish: Lambda – 175 Years Watchmaking Glashütte comes in three limited-edition colorways, and continues the rich heritage of this watchmaking town..



6. The beautiful techniques of traditional Glashütte watchmaking are evident in this caliber: DUW 1001, at work within Lambda. The spring of the swan neck fine adjustment lies elegantly on top of the balance cock. This reads "Lovingly produced in Glashütte" in German, expertly engraved by hand.



7. Lambda is powered by DUW 1001; the first caliber to bear the name Deutsche Uhrenwerke NOMOS Glashütte—large and slender, with twin mainspring barrels. 29 jewels within ensure flawless functioning, with six of them in hand-polished screwed chatons. Just as they have been for the past 175 years.



8. A new polish for the history of tomorrow: the fine sunburst polishing on the three-quarter plate of DUW 1001, which is exclusive to NOMOS Glashütte. Another beautiful feature are the 29 jewels, some of which are visible here in gold chatons. What do they do? They are set in the mainspring barrels, the pivots of the balance, pallet, escape wheel, fourth wheel, center wheel, third wheel, up-down wheel, idler gear, impeller wheel, and mainspring barrel intermediate wheel. In addition, there are two jewels used as caps for the balance wheel, two for the pallet, and the 29th is used as a lever jewel.