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The exquisite beauty of Arita porcelain

Arita, a small town on Kyushu, the large island in the southwest of Japan, came to prominence in the early 17th century when clay suitable for use by porcelain potteries was discovered there.

The tradition continues and several potteries still thrive in Arita today, including that run by Hiroyuki Hashiguchi, the master craftsman whose pottery has been crafting porcelain since 1830. It is here that these new dials are made, just as have been several other Presage Craftsmanship Series Arita porcelain watches in recent years.

Both are made from a type of porcelain that is more than four times harder than conventional porcelain. One is in pure white and the second in the pale blue, "ruri zome", that has always been the Arita hallmark.

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The deep green of the Kanazawa forests is captured in Urushi lacquer.

The dial of this new timepiece is made with Urushi lacquer in the studio of master craftsman Isshu Tamura in Kanazawa, in the center of Honshu, Japan's main island, using the centuries old art of Urushi which Tamura learned from his father. The dial is painted and polished by hand several times. It is time-consuming and challenging work, but it is the traditional and best way to create the perfect depth of color. Urushi also has the advantage that it gets harder and stronger as the years pass, which is why it was used during the Sengoku era in the manufacture of armor for Samurai. The dial is a deep green color that is characteristic of Kanazawa in summer and the gold accents echo the warm light of the sunshine that penetrates the lush, moss-covered forests of the region.

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SPB293J1

Automatic | 6R31

Arita porcelain dial /
Stainless steel case and bracelet /
Dual-curved sapphire crystal with
anti-reflective coating on the inner
surface /
Screw see-through case back /
Case diameter 40.5mm /
10 bar W.R.



SPB319J1

Automatic | 6R31

Arita porcelain dial /
Stainless steel case /
Leather strap /
Dual-curved sapphire crystal with
anti-reflective coating on the inner
surface /
Screw see-through case back /
Case diameter 40.5mm /
10 bar W.R.



SPB295J1

Automatic | 6R24

Urushi dial /
Stainless steel case /
Leather strap /
Dual-curved sapphire crystal with
anti-reflective coating on the inner
surface /
Screw see-through case back /
Case diameter 40.5mm /
10 bar W.R. /
Limited edition of 2,000 pcs.

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