

Villeret Women Quantième Phase de Lune

Blancpain offers ladies a broad range of complications in its *Villeret* collection. The most iconic is doubtless the moon-phase calendar that the Manufacture is featuring this year in a 33 mm timepiece.

This year, Blancpain presents a new feminine model with a moon-phase calendar. This 33 mm-diameter timepiece displays the signature characteristics of the *Villeret* collection with cut-out sage leaf-shaped hands and applied Roman numerals. This new watch also features the traditional design of Blancpain calendar watches: the moon appears through a 6 o'clock aperture, while the date is read off inside the hours chapter by a hand tipped by a red half-moon. Blancpain's cherished concern for details is expressed all the way through to the charmingly feminine face of the moon notably characterized by a *mouche* (artificial mole or beauty spot) placed at the corner of its smiling mouth. Historically speaking, *mouches* were used in 18th century Europe as an adornment, and their exact position on the face carried symbolic significance regarding the personality of the women wearing them.

The new *Villeret Women Quantième Phase de Lune* is driven by the self-winding 913QL.P movement, specifically developed to meet the wishes and demands of contemporary women. Just as on Blancpain's masculine models, its balance spring is made of *silicium*. It is also equipped with the security system developed by the Manufacture to protect its calendar movements from any inadvertent handling. Visible through a sapphire crystal pane, this caliber has been redesigned so as to provide a broader case-back opening. By eliminating the "kerbs", Blancpain has been able to broaden the oscillating weight beyond the caliber dimensions and thus create an entirely flat movement.

This new model is available in red gold with an opaline dial or in steel with a white dial. Both versions feature a gemset face as well as a bezel studded with 48 brilliant-cut diamonds. The watch is paired with an alligator strap or metal bracelet.