Editors'

CHOICE Montegrappa



AS THE FIRST ITALIAN PEN MANUFACTURER, MONTEGRAPPA (www.montegrappa.com), has been producing quality writing instruments with an Italian flair since 1912. Among the many soldiers that used Montegrappa pens (then known as Elmo) to write letters home during World War I were renowned American writers Ernest Hemingway and John Dos Passos. Montegrappa was acquired in 2000 by Richemont and was reacquired in June 2009 by the Aquila family, which operates under ELMO & MONTEGRAPPA S.p.A.

For 2012, the year of their centenary, Montegrappa has announced the arrival of the first chronograph in their NeroUno range of wristwatches. It follows the aesthetic principles that have established NeroUno watches as elegant and sophisticated additions to the comprehensive range of men's accessories, including pens, cuff links, and leather goods.

Powered by the Swiss-made Ronda 5030.D quartz movement, the NeroUno Chronograph consists of a 44mm diameter case fashioned from stainless steel, completed by a sapphire crystal with anti-glare coating. The NeroUno

Chronograph is offered with its case presented in a natural, classic stainless steel form, or with 5N rose gold PVD or light grey PVD finishes. Completing the design is a choice of leather or rubber straps, or a steel bracelet, all closed with a deployant clasp.

Enhancing the look is a choice of dial colors, all providing perfect legibility for the three chronograph sub-dials and chosen to complement the case color. These include black, grey, brown or silver dials with silver, rose or black accents. All timepieces are perfectly suitable for sport or dress. •



