

Vintage BR 126

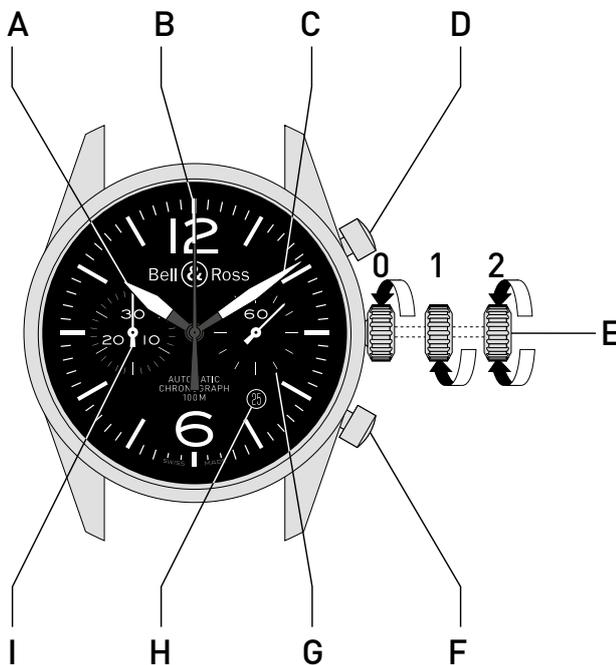
Technical Notes

The origins of the mechanical watch for professionals.

To attract amateurs in luxury watch-making and collectors alike, Bell & Ross have designed a stopwatch whose style, like its name, evokes the origins of professional watches. Military personnel, and in particular pilots, were the first professional users to consider the wristwatch a tool to aid in their missions. This homage to the past gave rise to a model that is both classic in its style and modern in its design: the Vintage BR 126 watch.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Mechanical **movement** with automatic winding (ETA 2894), professional termination, 37 jewels, 28,800 beats per hour, working reserve of about 4 hours, high-precision adjustment. **Functions:** hours, minutes, seconds, two-counter stopwatch (with 60-second and 30-minute registers) and date. Fast date correction. Setting the time with seconds. Polished stainless steel **housing**, satin or steel glass bead blasted with black PVD finish. Screwed back. Back with sapphire crystal (Officer model). Black, beige or sun-kissed silver dial. Photoluminescent digits, index, and hands in order to make nighttime reading easier; or digits and index made of polished appliqué (Officer model). Ultra-curved treated anti-glare sapphire crystal. **water-resistant** to 100 meters. Leather **watchband**.



- A. Hour hand
 - B. Timer second hand
 - C. Minute hand
 - D. D button
 - E. Crown
 - F. F button
 - G. Second hand
 - H. Date
 - I. Stopwatch's 30-minute register
0. Winding the mechanism manually (clockwise).
 1. Setting the date (counter-clockwise).
 2. Setting the time (either clockwise or counter-clockwise).

GENERAL USAGE

Winding (crown in 0 position)

With the watch off, wind the mechanism by turning the crown clockwise. After about 30 rotations, the watch is fully wound (the mechanism has no stop in order to keep the winder from being wound too tightly). The operating time is then about 40 hours. *When the watch is being worn*, the clockwork winds the movement.

Setting the time. Pull the crown into position 2. The second hand is then stopped, which lets you set the time down to the second. Set the time by turning the crown in the desired direction.

Setting the date. *Fast setting** (crown in position 1): pull the crown into position 1 and set the date by turning the crown counter-clockwise. *Slow setting* (crown in position 2): in order to ensure that the date changes at midnight instead of at noon, it is recommended to set the date using the hour hands. Pull the crown into position 2 and turn the hands until the date is changed. Next set the time accurately.

USING THE STOPWATCH

Time is measured in minutes and seconds.

Measuring a short time.

D button. Pressed 1st time: starts keeping time. Pressed 2nd time: stops keeping time. Pressed 3rd time: starts keeping time again. This lets you subtract one or more intervals of time from the total time measured, or to total up the measurement of several short periods. F button (only used when the stopwatch is off). Press once: resets the stopwatch

IMPORTANT

***Fast date setting.** As with all mechanical stopwatches that have a calendar, fast date setting (crown in position 1) **MAY NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES** be carried out between 21:00 (9 P.M.) and 3:00 (3 A.M.).

WATER-RESISTANCE

Once the watch has been completely set, in order to guarantee perfect water-tightness, push the crown back into position 0. The crown and the buttons must never be manipulated underwater.

CARE

After being immersed in seawater, it is recommended to always rinse off the watch and its band with clean water. It is also recommended to check that your watch is still watertight every two years. In order to guarantee service compliant with the brand's requirements, any servicing on your watch must be carried out by the Bell & Ross repair center or by a watchmaker approved by Bell & Ross. Whenever repairs are made during the warranty period, you will need to present the Bell & Ross warranty card, duly dated and signed by the reseller when the watch was purchased.

The Bell & Ross international guarantee

Your Bell & Ross watch has successfully passed the most rigorous reliability tests in the Swiss watch-making industry. It is guaranteed against all manufacturing defects for 2 years from the date of purchase entered by the Bell & Ross approved retailer on the international guarantee certificate subject to applicable laws and/or legal guarantees. This guarantee is total (parts and labor). It excludes however :

- . Damage that is the result of accidents or improper or incorrect use of the watch (violent shock, crushing, brutal handling of the clasp).
- . Damage that is the result of repairs or dismantling not carried out by an approved Bell & Ross retailer or an approved after-sales service center.
- . The consequences of normal use and wear of the watch. It also excludes leather straps and batteries, given the specific nature of these parts.

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