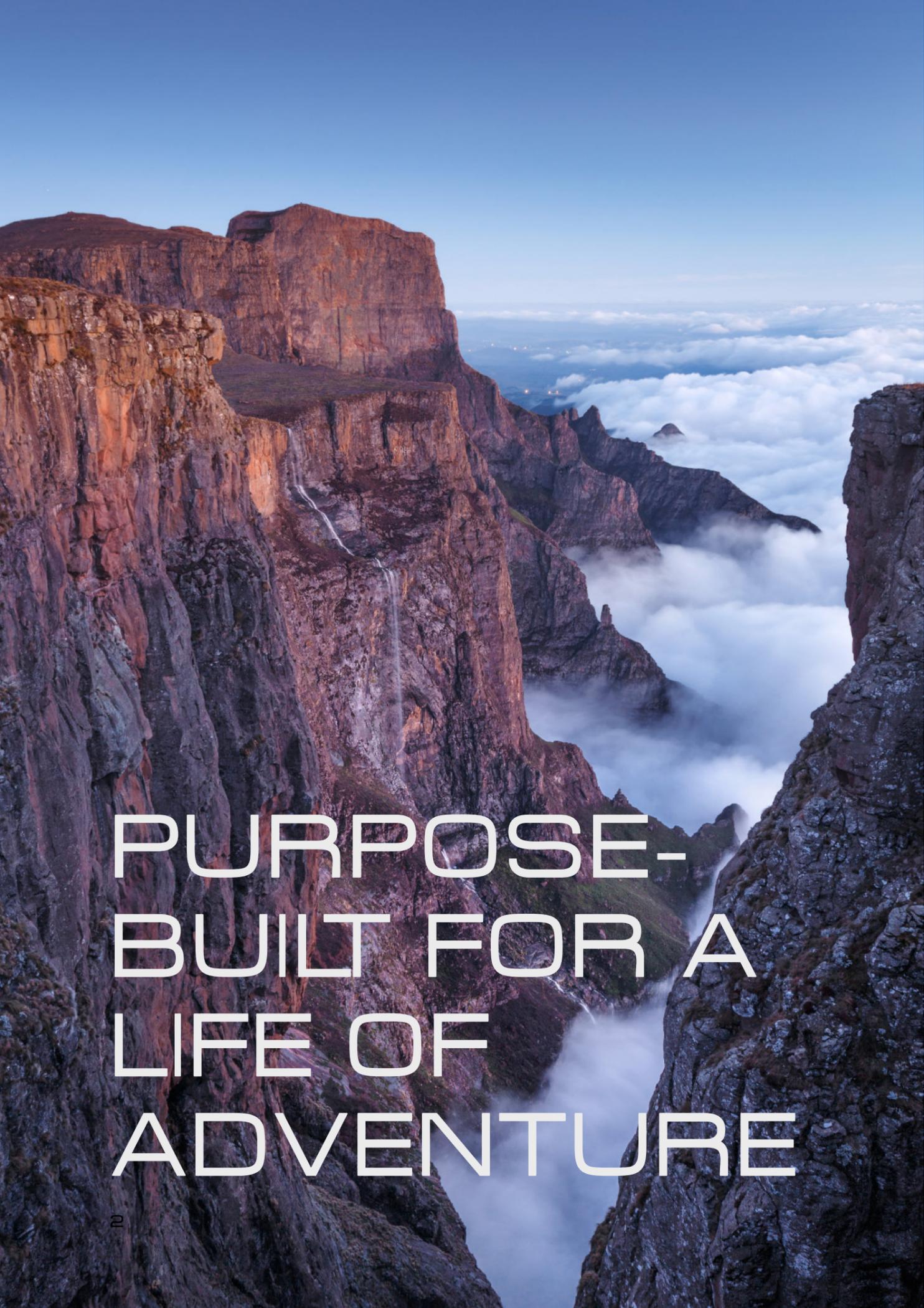




**DRAKEN**

CATALOGUE



# PURPOSE-BUILT FOR A LIFE OF ADVENTURE

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## INTRO

At Draken, we see the watch as an important piece of kit. A tool, not an accessory.

We strip things down to the bare essentials. Zero clutter. Zero distractions. Form follows function. Because when you are out in the elements, you need a watch that performs, reliably.

Each watch we produce serves a purpose. Our dive watches are perfectly adapted to water adventures, our field watch is a great everyday wear out in the field, and our chronograph has multiple timing features but is lightweight on the wrist.

Choose the watch that is purpose-built for your life of adventure.



# MEET THE FOUNDER

In 2015 while working as a user interface designer in Auckland, New Zealand, a colleague enlightened me on the finer details of quality wristwatches - the movements, the materials, the genres and the designs. What separates a cheap fashion watch from a watch that will last a lifetime? I quickly learned that there was a whole world of watches that I wasn't aware of, and I abruptly fell down the rabbit hole.

My love for the outdoors naturally led me to the question - if you could design the ultimate outdoors watch, what would it look like?

Growing up in South Africa I spent many of my summer holidays in the Drakensberg Mountains - hiking, mountain biking and swimming in the rivers. It is a rugged and ancient landscape, with a diverse ecosystem and rich cultural heritage. It was the perfect inspiration for the brand. The word 'Draken' directly translates to 'dragons' in Afrikaans, and so the logo was born.

What started as a passion project, soon turned into a full-time gig that was keeping me very busy.

Now based in rural Waipu with my wife and two children, Draken has matured into a successful watch business. Some of the best outdoor activities are right on my doorstep - hunting, surfing and free-diving to name a few.

My goal is to wholeheartedly embrace a life of adventure, testing our watches and myself in the outdoors of New Zealand.



Michael Blythe  
Founder and Designer



# TUGELA

## DIVE WATCH

The first Draken, and still supremely popular, the Tugela takes its name from the river which flows from the Drakensberg mountains.

For those that are in or near the water regularly, the Tugela is the ideal choice. The Tugela's hour indices offer three distinct shapes inspired by Zulu beadwork, and its tapered case mirrors the shape of the Protea, the iconic South African flower. In short, there is no other dive watch quite like it.

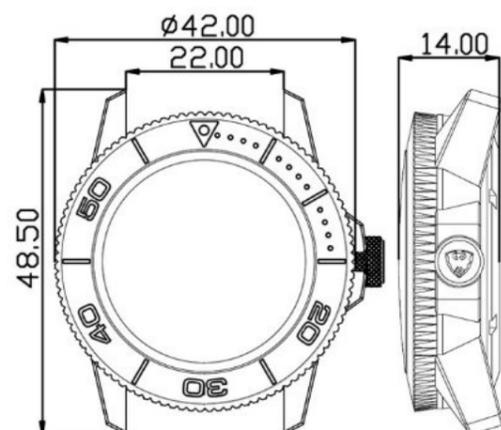
The Tugela also set the foundation for the Draken design language, an approach that emphasises the harmony of form and function.

The Tugela's key attributes are its matte palette, a symmetrical layout and a grippy knurled crown.

The case back displays a luxurious relief mould of the Drakensberg mountains, with the Tugela River in the foreground. With a bead-blasted case that evokes the eroded rocks at the river's edge, its rugged aesthetic is completed with a fitted three-part bracelet that perfectly balances the weight of the watch head when on-wrist.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Case	316L stainless steel, bead-blasted finish
Crystal	Single-domed, sapphire with inner AR coating
Bezel	120-click uni-directional, aluminium insert
Movement	SII NH35A automatic, 40 hour power reserve
Bracelet	316L stainless steel, bead-blasted finish
Dial, handset	Swiss Super-LumiNova® C3(X1) paint
Water resistance	300m





# PEREGRINE

## PILOT WATCH

The Peregrine is a true GADA (Go Anywhere, Do Anything) watch. With a workhorse movement under the hood and a rugged 316L stainless steel case, it is built to take whatever you can throw at it. It may get scratched, it might get a dent or two, but that's the whole idea - it will still be ticking for years to come.

At first glance it appears to be a simple 3-hander - but the Peregrine also has a helpful feature. Located discreetly at the 6h position is an additional indicator, to display the movement's power reserve.

Choose from two different dial versions, each available in two different colours.

'Version A': a bold and aggressive layout maximising luminous potential.

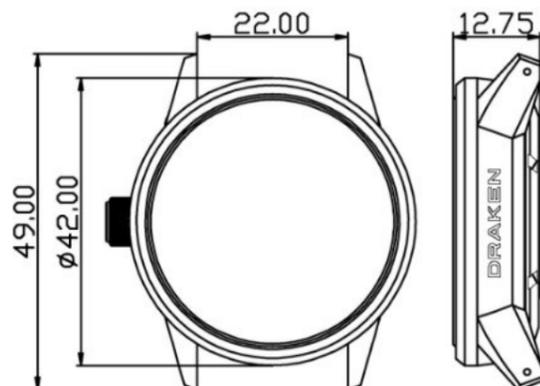
'Version B': a modern interpretation of the WWII Flieger 'Type A' with 10 Arabic numerals and the ubiquitous triangle dots marker at 12h.

The black dial is rich and velvety, with applied lume-filled indices or get the white fully luminous version for a dial that will glow bright blue long into the night.

Available on bracelet or a tough sailcloth strap, the Peregrine feels every bit like the precisely engineered tool that it is.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Case	316L stainless steel, brushed or DLC coated finish
Crystal	Flat sapphire with inner and outer AR coating
Movement	Miyota 9130 automatic, power reserve indicator
Band	316L stainless steel or sailcloth and leather
Dial, handset	Black or full-lume, Swiss Super-LumiNova® BGW9 and C3(X1) paint, applied brushed indices
Water resistance	100m





# AORAKI

## FIELD WATCH

The Aoraki is one of those watches that you put on your wrist, and forget about. You don't realise it's there until you need it. The smaller 39mm diameter gives it a comfortable discrete wrist presence. It's useful, in the purest sense of time-telling.

The dial and display come together to amplify legibility. A velvet black background with Super-LumiNova painted numerals and/or indices combined with the double AR-coated flat crystal mean you'll be able to read the time in any situation.

Available in four dial designs:

Milspec - 12 Arabic numerals in the Milspec font, used on US military instruments during the 50's and 60's.

Zulu - Takes cues from the US field watch

from the Vietnam War era.

Vector - An original design, with an Explorer dial layout.

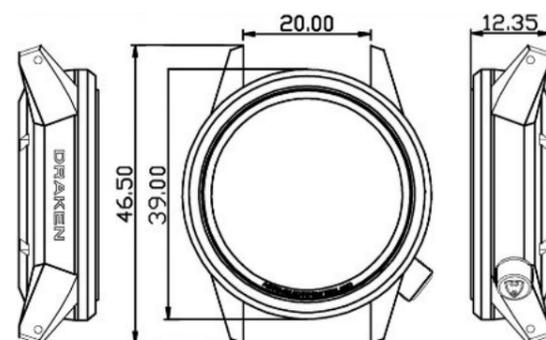
Flieger - Inspired by the Type-A Flieger the Luftwaffe wore in the 1930's.

The case has an all-brushed finish making it a great casual wear, but it's the stock bund strap that really gives the watch its character. You'll want to jump on a Harley headed for nowhere.

The alternate nylon strap is perfect for water activities, making the Aoraki incredibly versatile. You'll find it will be the watch you grab most often.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Case	316L stainless steel, brush finish. 20,000A/m antimagnetic
Crystal	Flat sapphire with inner and outer AR coating
Movement	Miyota 82S5 automatic
Straps	Leather bund strap and ribbed single-pass nylon
Dial, handset	Black with painted Swiss Super-LumiNova® C3(X1) and BGW9 paint
Water resistance	100m





# BENGUELA

## DEEP DIVE WATCH

One could say the Benguela was built like a tank, but a submarine would be more apt. Like the aforementioned craft, it's a game of fluid lines and brutal tactility with the Benguela.

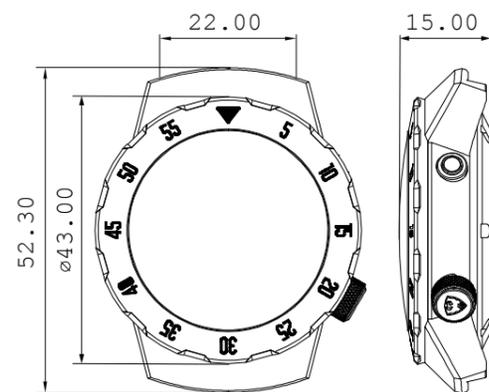
An all stainless steel construction gives the bezel mechanism an extremely solid click. The crown is neatly tucked away at 4 o'clock, while the tapered case shape makes it far more wearable than a typical 43 mm.

At 2 o'clock, the Helium Escape Valve (HEV) enables the case to self-regulate, releasing pent-up internal gases when returning to the surface from a long-term saturation dive.

The dial is a unique combination of sandwich layers and overlapping blasted slabs of steel. Old-Radium Super-LumiNova® luminous paint creates a striking contrast with the three dial colours - black, navy and green.

On the case back you'll find a gorgeously detailed relief of a sea monster, inspired by the paper nautilus myth from South African folklore.

This is the watch you'd want to be wearing in a bar fight, not that we'd condone it...



## SPECIFICATIONS

Case	316L stainless steel, bead-blasted. Helium escape valve
Crystal	Single-domed, sapphire with inner AR coating
Bezel	120-click uni-directional, aluminium insert
Movement	SII NH35A or ETA 2824-2 automatic
Bracelet	316L stainless steel, bead-blasted
Dial, handset	Sandwich dial, applied bead-blasted indices, Super-LumiNova® Old-Radium paint
Water resistance	500m





# KRUGER

## CHRONOGRAPH WATCH

The Kruger pays tribute to the Rangers of the Kruger region in Southern Africa - men and women who work tirelessly to protect some of the most endangered animals in the world.

Constructed from grade 2 titanium, it is extremely light on the wrist, despite its 44mm diameter. A 1200HV coating is added for enhanced scratch resistance.

With a 300m depth rating, highly legible Arabic and non-Arabic dial configurations,

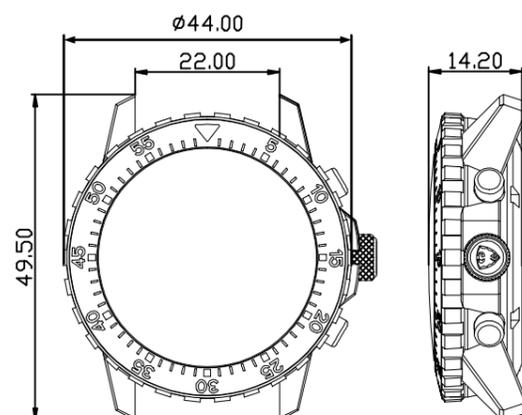
and a count-up diving bezel, the Kruger is the ultimate “diver, driver, flyer” timepiece.

A 60-minute chronograph counter at 9 o'clock is mirrored by a 24-hour sub-dial at 3 o'clock position. The small seconds sub-dial is neatly integrated with the date at 6 o'clock, with care taken to minimise its visual footprint.

On the case back is an elaborately detailed image of a white rhino, a reminder of what the rangers of Kruger are risking their lives to save.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Case	Titanium, bead-blasted or DLC coated with 1200HV hardening
Crystal	Double-domed, sapphire with inner AR coating
Movement	SII VK63 or VK67 mechaquartz
Bracelet	Titanium, bead-blasted or DLC coated with 1200HV hardening. Stainless steel buckle
Dial, handset	Black or full-lume, Swiss Super-LumiNova® C3(X1) and BGW9 paint
Water resistance	300m





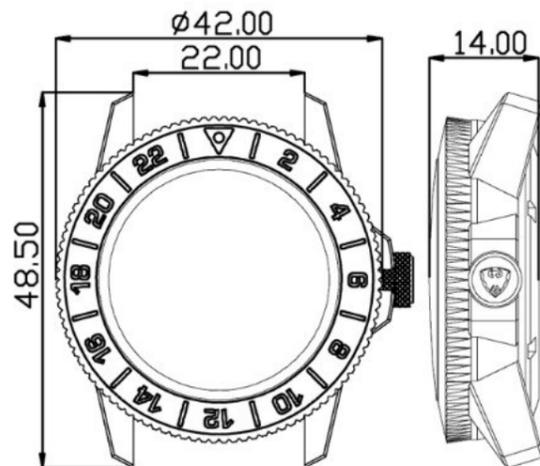
# TUGELA GMT

## MULTI-TIMEZONE WATCH

A robust tool watch with ideal proportions, excellent water resistance and a workhorse Japanese movement make this an easy choice for on-the-go travellers and global collaborators.

The Tugela GMT packs all the elements that made our original dive watch so incredible and adds some refinement.

The Tugela GMT dial furniture is bead-blasted applied indices that feature generous applications of C3(X1) Super-LumiNova®. A velvety matte black background supports the minimalist logo and typography.



Protecting the display is an AR-coated double-domed crystal that flows seamlessly into the curve of the bezel, reducing reflections and distortions.

The precise bi-directional 48-click bezel works in tandem with the GMT complication, making multiple timezone tracking a cinch.

This is a pure tool watch, built for globetrotting.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Case	316L stainless steel, bead-blasted finish
Crystal	Double-domed, sapphire with inner AR coating
Bezel	48-click bi-directional, aluminium/steel insert
Movement	SII NH34 automatic
Bracelet	316L stainless steel, bead-blasted finish
Dial, handset	Swiss Super-LumiNova® C3(X1) paint
Water resistance	300m







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