

WATCH THE SKIES

THIS SEASON'S AVIATION TIMEPIECES ARE HANDSOME, HIGH-TECH TOOLS THAT OFFER CHICAGO MEN PRECISION TIMING AND SOARING STYLE.

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Pilot watches have enjoyed a century of fame, accompanying explorers like Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart on their record-breaking quests. In times of war or peace, space exploration, and today's venture into solar-powered planes, top watch brands offer aviation-inspired timepieces that regularly include precision functions a pilot may need in the air—think easy readability, durability, and more.

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From Tutima, the new M2 Pioneer Chronograph watch (\$7,500) features a soft nickel-iron inner case to guard against magnetism. Sold with a bracelet and additional Kevlar strap and titanium buckle with changing kit, this German-made titanium watch houses the Tutima Caliber 521 mechanical movement and is water-resistant up to 300 meters (1,000 feet).
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