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**Métiers d'Art HM Koi Unique Piece**

**Arnold & Son unites exquisite, hand-painted dials with the fine art of Haute Horlogerie**

The Métiers d'Art HM Koi Unique Piece from Arnold & Son will appeal to watch connoisseurs who appreciate the finest-quality watchmaking combined with beautiful arts and crafts. The hand-painted miniature represents two koi swimming in harmony. This motif is inspired by the koi depicted in traditional ink-wash paintings. The subtle, soft colours set off to perfection by the shimmer of the dial in white mother-of-pearl. The exclusive nature of this wonderful reference is underscored by its limitation to just one piece.



**HM Koi Unique Piece**

Manufacture Arnold & Son A&S1001 calibre,  
hand-wound, hand-painted miniature on white mother-of-pearl dial,  
18-karat rose gold case, diameter 40 mm

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Through perseverance and endurance, the koi were able to become mythical beings. The koi fish is part of many ancient legends. Legend has it that King Shoko of Ro presented Chinese philosopher Confucius a magoy, a black carp, as a gift at the birth of his first son in 533 B.C. So impressed was Confucius by the koi's strength and ability to swim up the falls of the yellow river that he named his son after the fish.

Two thousand years later and the koi fish still symbolizes positive attributes in life like perseverance, endurance and courage.



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The Métiers d'Art HM Koi Unique Piece from Arnold & Son was created to celebrate this fascinating fish. Adorning the mother-of-pearl dial is a hand-painted miniature of two koi, depicted in traditional Chinese ink-wash paintings. Nuances of colours, from red-orange to blue-grey, are achieved by the tiny brushstrokes and texturing gradually to build-up the entire image with an astonishing richness of details. Each koi is executed with exquisite delicacy of touch and features fine details that evoke its shimmering skin. The art of painting miniatures by hand calls for infinite patience and consummate skill. As Philippe Boven of Arnold & Son explains: "The art of hand-painting miniatures takes many years of concentrated practice to perfect, and these exquisite koi presented our specialists with an ideal opportunity to showcase their skills." The sumptuousness of the koi is a counterpoint to the simplicity of the white mother-of-pearl dial, which shimmers entrancingly with the play of light and perfectly mirrors the water in which the koi live.



#### **A&S1001**

Manufacture Arnold & Son calibre, hand-wound,  
diameter 30 mm, thickness 2.70 mm  
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This unique piece boasts the ultra-thin A&S1001 manufacture movement with over 90 hours of power reserve; the movement is housed in an 18-karat rose gold case, with a black alligator strap.

The Métiers d'Art HM Koi is limited to just one example. If desired, the watch is available with a diamond-set bezel.



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## Main technical characteristics:

### HM Koi Unique Piece

Calibre:	A&S1001
	Arnold & Son manufacture movement, hand-wound, 21 jewels, diameter 30 mm, thickness 2.70 mm, power reserve 90 h, double barrel, 21,600 vibrations/h
Functions:	Hours, minutes
Movement decoration:	Nickel-silver movement, rhodium treated with <i>Haute Horlogerie</i> finishing: hand-chamfered bridges with polished edges, fine circular graining and <i>Côtes de Genève rayonnantes</i> , blued screws with bevelled and mirror-polished heads
Dial:	Hand-painted miniature on white mother-of-pearl
Case:	18-karat rose gold, diameter 40 mm, available with or without diamond-set bezel, cambered sapphire with anti-reflective coating on both sides, see-through sapphire case back, water-resistant to 30 m
Strap:	Hand-stitched brown or black alligator leather
Limited edition:	Unique piece
Reference:	1LCAP.M01A.C110A/111A

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