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Silver Arrow: IWC Ingenieur Chronograph Silberpfeil

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This year, Swiss watch brand IWC revved up its engineering skills to create a watch with the heart of a racing car: the limited-edition Ingenieur Chronograph Silberpfeil, dedicated to the legendary Mercedes-Benz 'Silver Arrows'...

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The chronograph's dial, with its circular graining in silver or brown, recalls the dashboard of the Mercedes-Benz Grand Prix racing car W25, the first of the Silver Arrows, and the car in which Rudolf Caracciola celebrated some of his most important victories. The watch's strap has a black rubber surround and an alligator leather inlay, visually reminiscent of 1930s motorsport – think of those leather belts typically used to secure the bonnets.

Under the 'bonnet' of the watch is the double-pawl winding of the IWC-manufactured 89361 calibre, an outstanding engineering achievement that is capable of ensuring a power reserve of 68 hours.

A limited edition of 1,000 copies (per variation) of the IWC Ingenieur Chronograph Silberpfeil is being produced, each with an engraved, stylised Silver Arrow racing car on the case back.

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