

The 2006 Sportura Ultimate Kinetic Chronograph. The Challenges of Perfection

All sports present challenges to their participants, but only in Formula One do these challenges test people and machines to their very limits. To succeed, every part of the car, every member of the team and every action of the drivers must be perfect, and all these elements must work in perfect unison. Speed is nothing without reliability; courage cannot deliver without precision and power without control is an irrelevance.

These are the challenges which are faced by the Honda Racing F1 Team and which have inspired the creation of the 2006 Sportura Kinetic Chronograph. The challenges of perfection.



SEIKO Sportura SLQ021

The Ultimate Kinetic Chronograph inspired by the ultimate sports challenge, Formula One, and offered as a limited edition of just 1500.

The iconic 4 dial layout of the Kinetic Chronograph 9T caliber is retained, but the construction of the crystal above the dials is new and unique. Beneath the main domed sapphire crystal, each sub-dial has its own and entirely separate crystal in a design that was inspired by the headlight clusters now found on the world's leading sports cars.

The case is carved from high-grade stainless steel with a black ion-plated ring between the case and glass. The dial surround, like the inset bracelet links, is made of the same carbon fiber as is used in the Honda F1 racing chassis, and the motor sport theme is completed by the see-through sapphire case back which reveals the remarkable Kinetic "engine" that drives the 7-hand movement.

Each of the 1500 Sportura Kinetic Chronographs for 2006 is presented with an individual, numbered certificate of authenticity signed by Shinji Hattori, President and CEO of SEIKO Watch Corporation, and is accompanied by an authentic and individually numbered part from the 2006 Honda F1 racing car. The part is a gear ratio, precision-engineered by Honda Racing F1 at its UK factory and headquarters near the famous Silverstone racing circuit. Each of these gear ratios has been built for actual 2006 Honda F1 cars. This gear ratio is offered as a symbol of the shared values of Sportura and Honda Racing F1 - speed, precision and perfection.



Each 2006 9T Ultimate Kinetic Chronograph is presented with an authentic gear ratio engineered by the Honda Racing F1 Team. (box specification is subject to change)

Specifications:

Caliber: Ultimate Kinetic Chronograph. 9T82

*Case: Hard coated stainless with screwed see-through case back

*Glass: Dual surface curved sapphire crystal

*Band: Stainless steel + carbon fiber with three-fold clasp with push release

*Water resistance: 10 Bar

*Retail price: The approximate recommended retail price in Europe is Euro 5,200

Caliber. 9T82

The SEIKO Ultimate Kinetic Chronograph 9T82 combines the reliability and high accuracy of Kinetic technology with the traditional attributes of the mechanical chronograph. One essential characteristic of the best chronographs is the reset responsiveness of the hands. To return each hand to its starting point instantaneously, this model features a heart cam snap-to-zero arrangement, which has always been an attractive feature of mechanical chronographs. To ensure the smooth movement of the hands and an instant date change, 38 rubies are used in the bearings. And a backlash mechanism ensures high-precision movement of the wheels and hands.

* Duration of full charge: approximately 1 month

* 3 hands (hour/minute/second)

* Chronograph 1/10 second hand/second hand/minute hand/hour hand

* Chronograph measurement to 12 hours in 1/10 second increments

* Date Calendar with Instant change function