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Since it was founded by David Linley in 1985, Linley has gained a reputation for creating bespoke furniture and cabinetry, luxury home accessories and collectable pieces, all of which champion British design and craftsmanship. Working with highly specialised workshops across the country, its designs have already been hailed as the antiques of the future. As Linley's offering has grown to encompass interior design services, including the crafting of fine pieces for yachts and kitchens for private residences, it has become one of the most internationally sought-after design houses.

With a particular expertise in modern marquetry—the meticulous technique of decorative veneering—Linley is world-renowned for using woods and inlay in imaginative and distinctive ways, collaborating with the likes of Bentley on one-off pieces and Claridges for interior design projects.

One of Linley's most recent design triumphs is the

beautiful Aquilo Chronometer. The result of a collaboration between Linley and famed British chronometer specialist, Thomas Mercer, the Aquilo is a rare piece of contemporary horological furniture.

Featuring Thomas Mercer's complex new astronomical movement, known as the Calibre TM3002, the marine-grade stainless-steel casing sits atop a smooth, sculptural base crafted from blue eucalyptus and solid oxidised oak. By using extra-white crystal glass that eliminates any distortion, and incorporating an innovative mirrored base, all of the inner workings can be observed and admired in their entirety — from any angle.

A tribute to the world of sailing, the Aquilo's design is inspired by the bow of a yacht and evokes the beauty of the sea, with streamlined shapes echoing the movement of the waves. Other subtle nods to the nautical include a winch-

inspired turnkey, and the suggestion of La Rose des Vents at the foot of the base. The Aquilo is a true statement piece: a stunning showcase of craft, engineering and marine heritage.

For individuals looking to incorporate some of Linley's signature artistry on board their yacht, the company offers a bespoke design service. Working collaboratively with clients through four key stages (discovery, design, development, and delivery), Linley's specialist team can transform even the most ambitious or outlandish ideas into a functional reality.

The resulting piece is always completely unique, tailored precisely to every need. Playful elements — such as hidden compartments accessed by secret buttons, or clever optical illusions — add extra personality and a touch of design flare. It is these feats of engineering and aesthetic flourishes that make a Linley piece an inimitable combination of elegance, originality and wit.

Left to right: the Aquilo Chronometer, created in collaboration with Thomas Mercer; a handcrafted blue globe by Linley; a bespoke chess table