

Chelsea Clock Celebrates National Clock Month This October

Company Highlights: Proudly Contributing to America's Timeline Since 1897

Founded in 1897 in Chelsea, Massachusetts, Chelsea enjoys a national and international reputation for its many contributions to the field of horology and the art of clock making. Among some of the most notable:

- Ship's Bell Mechanical Clock – Chelsea patented and produced the first Ship's Bell mechanical chiming clock in Boston in 1900. This eight-day wind clock consists of over 364 solid brass parts, including an eleven-jewel movement, all hand assembled by Chelsea master clockmakers. It chimes the traditional Ship's Bell code, used on a wide range of seafaring vessels, allowing crewmembers to tell time by the sound and number of bells.
 - - U.S. Navy Marine Clocks– Chelsea clocks have sailed – and continue to sail – aboard countless U.S. Navy ships, submarines, cargo ships, aircraft carriers, and other seafaring military vessels since WWI. These durable timepieces were first manufactured using the company's trademark solid forged brass cases. But when metals became scarce during WWII, the company collaborated with the Navy to develop a tough resin and fiber clock case known as Phenolic. These iconic black-cased Chelsea clocks are still specified for vessels by the U.S. Navy today in both mechanical and quartz models.
- WWII Clock Production – By 1939, Chelsea was producing hundreds of marine clocks for the U.S. Government. With increasing war activities during WWII, the company was challenged to dramatically increase production and, in turn, tripled its workforce. By 1943, Chelsea had earned the prestigious "E" Award from the U.S. Government for wartime production excellence.
 - - Automobile and Airplane Clocks – In addition to designing and manufacturing timepieces for homes, offices, and boats, Chelsea was long known for crafting clocks for use in automobiles and airplanes. In the early 1900s, motorists behind the wheels of Rolls Royces and Studebakers were noting the time of day by the Chelsea mounted on their dashboards.
- Choice of Presidents – Chelsea Clock has long been the timepiece of choice for many U.S. Presidents and administrations. Nearly every American President since Franklin D. Roosevelt has owned or displayed a Chelsea in the White House or Oval Office. President Obama's administration chose Chelsea's Dartmouth Clock – engraved with the Presidential Seal – as a gift to foreign dignitaries when traveling abroad.
- America's Most Iconic Brands – While the Chelsea brand itself is known far and wide for craftsmanship, quality, and precision, the company and its craftspeople also create a number of custom timepieces for some of America's most iconic brands, including Tiffany & Co., Ralph Lauren, Best Made Co., and others.

Today, Chelsea continues to make history with its fine, classically styled timepieces, marking life's most memorable moments, from birthdays and anniversaries to retirements and business milestones. Chelsea is proud to celebrate National Clock Month with friends and followers, and looks forward making new and notable contributions to America's timeline.

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