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L'ODYSSÉE D'UN ROI

An Ode to Adventure

THREE ULTIMATE MASTERPIECES FEATURING A RARE BLEND OF LOUIS XIII, DESIGNED BY HERMÈS, PUIFORCAT AND SAINT-LOUIS WILL BE SOLD AT AUCTION BY SOTHEBY'S, AS OF SEPTEMBER 2016, WITH ALL PROCEEDS BENEFITING THE FILM FOUNDATION'S CINEMATIC HERITAGE PRESERVATION EFFORTS.



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A BESPOKE TRIBUTE TO LOUIS XIII MYTHICAL JOURNEYS THROUGH THE AGES

As one of the world's most storied Grande Champagne Cognacs, LOUIS XIII has been present at every milestone in the history of luxury travel — from the legendary bar-car of the Orient-Express to the sleek cabin of the supersonic Concorde jet. To pay tribute to this heritage of adventure and discovery, the house is proud to unveil L'ODYSSÉE D'UN ROI, a unique collaboration inspired by the first shipments of LOUIS XIII in the late 1870s and the iconic journeys that followed to the farthest corners of the globe.

For this monumental journey, LOUIS XIII has chosen as its traveling companions three French luxury houses that share its passion for rare craftsmanship and unbroken tradition: HERMÈS, PUIFORCAT and SAINT-LOUIS. They have contributed their own centuries-old savoir-faire to the creation of a series of three unique objets d'art. These one-of-a-kind masterpieces will be presented in culture capitals on different continents as part of a yearlong travelling exhibition.

Sotheby's will auction each masterpiece in New York (September 2016), Hong-Kong (October 2016) and London (November 2016), with proceeds benefiting THE FILM FOUNDATION, a non-profit organization founded by Martin Scorsese and several other leading filmmakers to preserve and restore classic films, ensuring their survival for future generations.

"L'ODYSSÉE D'UN ROI is truly the result of a work of art and genius, a veritable tribute to craftsmanship and time. Much like the time, finesse and care it takes to create LOUIS XIII, so it is with the process of preserving classic cinema." said Ludovic du Plessis, LOUIS XIII Global Executive Director "We therefore decided that the proceeds of our project will be donated to THE FILM FOUNDATION, a group dedicated to film preservation and the exhibition of restored and classic cinema, a cultural legacy that one generation leaves to another."

THE ULTIMATE JOURNEY

More than 50 individual artisans devoted over 1,000 hours to produce these three bespoke creations. Each is unique, its design and contents inspired by the continent for which it is destined. The tailor-made offering includes:

- A bespoke trunk hand-stitched by HERMÈS using the finest leathers and evoking a bygone era of luxury travel.
- A white gold pipette forged by the Art Deco silversmith PUIFORCAT for the ritual of service.
- A sublime crystal decanter and four elegant serving glasses — mouth-blown, cut and wheel-engraved by hand at the royal cristallerie SAINT-LOUIS. Each decanter is etched with a 19th-century map of the continent where it is bound.
- A blend of LOUIS XIII Cognac enriched with a selection of the house's oldest treasures from Grande Champagne, that each cellar master pass on to each other, from generation to generation. A very special spirit revealing flavours that are at once singular and complementary. A Cognac to savour and admire.

Completing the unique work of art is a beautiful book that chronicles LOUIS XIII's mythical journeys that begin on a 16th-century battlefield in rural France but will touch every corner of the globe.





AN UNYIELDING COMMITMENT

L'ODYSSÉE D'UN ROI is a shining testament both to the heritage that created LOUIS XIII and the nature that continues to inspire it. Its grapes grow in the chalky soils of Grande Champagne, the premier cru in the Cognac region. Preserving this terroir and its bio-diversity has always been a priority for the brand. LOUIS XIII has pledged to replant 115,000 oak trees in France in partnership with ONF (French National Forest Office). Some of these will be used to make its centennial tierçons, the special casks that, will be the vessels for LOUIS XIII journeys of the future. The protection of cultural treasures — whether the art of filmmaking or the art of Cognac — requires time, finesse and care. In this same spirit of preservation, the house has chosen to support THE FILM FOUNDATION in its vital efforts to ensure the survival of our shared cinematic heritage for future generations.

“We’re grateful to LOUIS XIII for its support of THE FILM FOUNDATION,” said Martin Scorsese. “The foundation’s film preservation work protects the cinematic heritage that we all share. The partnership with Louis XIII and L’ODYSSÉE D’UN ROI, is an excellent way to highlight the foundation’s preservation, education, and exhibition programs. No matter where or when a film was made, a century ago or a decade ago, the foundation is committed to ensuring that all films survive to be seen by future generations.”



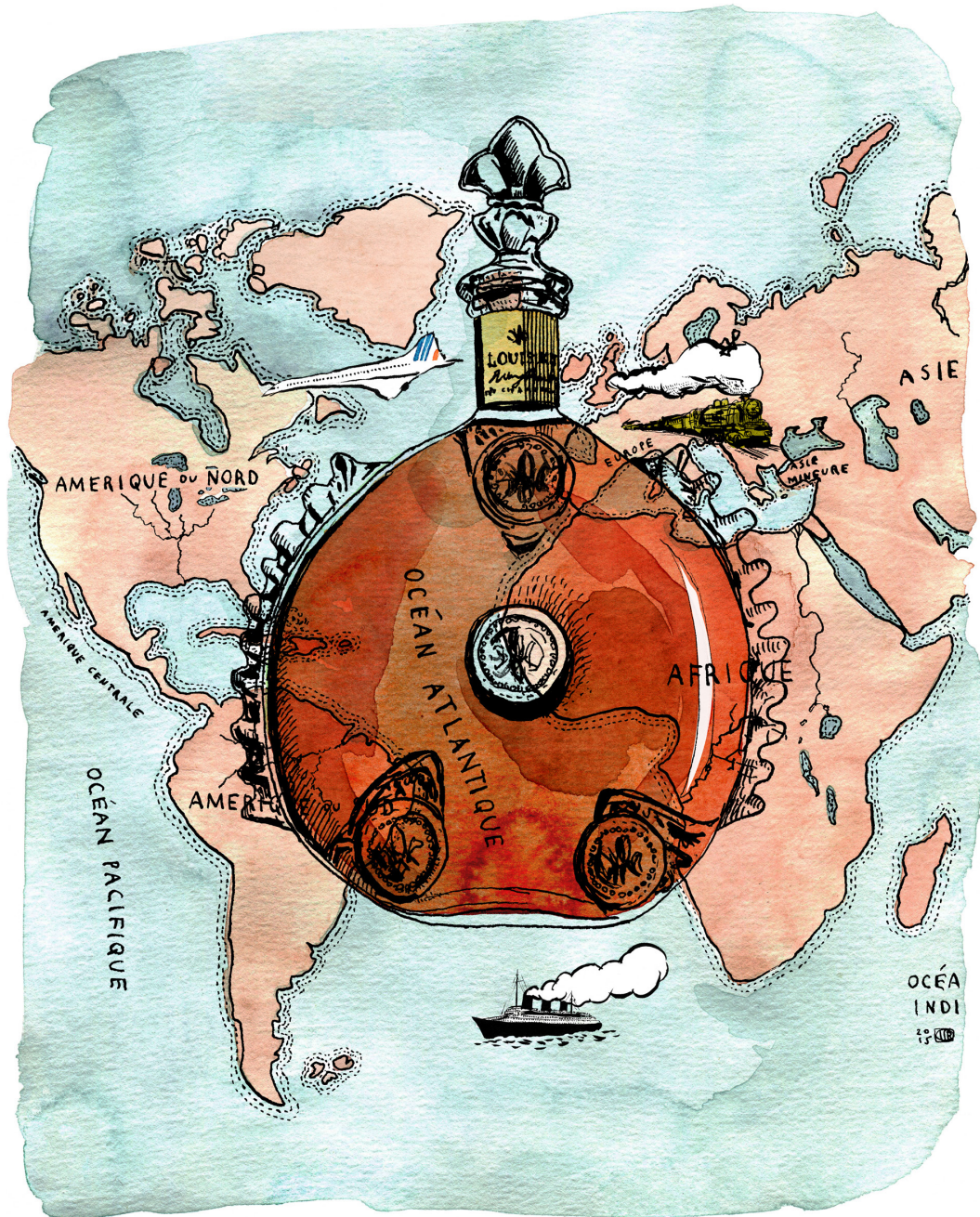
Ludovic du Plessis, LOUIS XIII and Martin Scorsese, THE FILM FOUNDATION

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About LOUIS XIII Cognac: Think a century ahead. Each decanter is the life achievement of generations of cellar masters. Since its origins in 1874, each generation of cellar master selects from our cellars the oldest and most precious eaux-de-vie for LOUIS XIII. Today, Cellar Master Baptiste Loiseau is setting aside our finest eaux-de-vie, as a legacy to his successors for the coming century. LOUIS XIII is an exquisite blend of up to 1,200 eaux-de-vie sourced 100% from Grande Champagne, the first cru of the Cognac region. The legendary decanters have been made from fine crystal for generations, mouth-blown by some of the most skilled master craftsmen. LOUIS XIII features exceptional aromas evoking myrrh, honey, dried roses, plum, honeysuckle, cigar box, leather, figs and passion fruit. LOUIS XIII is a fragrance. The fragrance of Time.


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