

# DAVIDHARBER

## **David Harber launches limited-edition Armillary Sphere as part of its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations**

David Harber, a globally renowned leader in luxury sculptural designs, has announced the launch of Armillary 30. a modern, interactive and innovative take on David Harber's first ever sculpture, the iconic Armillary Sphere.

This limited edition of 30, will be unveiled at this year's RHS Chelsea Flower Show as part of the company's 30th anniversary celebrations.

The Armillary 30 has been designed with modernity and playfulness in mind whilst still maintaining the same principles as the original design. Our desire was to create a contemporary timepiece that revels in the magic of solar time but through the mechanism of turning the handle the piece becomes uniquely interactive.

At its centre, the sundial features an orb of two hemispheres with the inner workings visible through a glass lens focal point. This manually rotating orb, allows a crisp shaft of sunlight to pass through its central gnomon-orb illuminating the hour band and marking the passage of time.

Through the piece's inherent playfulness with its turning handles and inner working movement, users can instinctively understand how the armillary works without explanation.



Each Armillary 30 commission will be personalised with clients' details, mottos, quotations, and dedications that transcend time and create enduring legacies. Each Armillary 30 will also be precisely calibrated for its intended location to ensure accuracy.

This novel approach to sundials creates a sense of poetry that transcends time and transports you to another world. As if by magic.

When asked about the Armillary 30, David Harber commented: "This unique iteration of the Armillary Sphere, has a central cloven earth orb which is rotated to create a magical shaft of time telling sunlight."

David Harber's fascination with space and time has remained constant over the years. His humble beginnings as a sundial maker over 30 years ago was inspired by a friend who showed him an antique Armillary Sphere brought from France. He consequently spent the last of his pennies buying a book on Sundials and set about creating his first one.



Miraculously he later discovered some 16 years later that he was an ancestor of a very famous Tudor mathematician and sundial maker, John Blagrave who lived less than 10 miles from his original workshop.

Armillary 30 will be available in antique bronze, Verdigris bronze or a mirror polished stainless steel. The piece is 70cm.

Armillary 30 is priced at £15,650 for Bronze and £21,783 for Stainless Steel.

For any further information, or for high-res images, please don't hesitate to get in touch.



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For interview opportunities at Chelsea Flower Show or as part of David Harber's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, please do get in touch on [davidharber@littleredpr.co.uk](mailto:davidharber@littleredpr.co.uk)

To discover more about David Harber, you can do so [here](#).

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### **About David Harber**

David Harber Ltd seeks to design and make original and covetable sculptures, sundials and water features that will enchant and endure, whilst responding to its customers' individual needs and environments.

David has been making contemporary and classical artworks from his Oxfordshire studio for over two decades and has gained an impressive worldwide following. Synonymous with elegance and simplicity, David Harber's designs playfully incorporate nature, reflection, light and water to create dramatic focal points in both exterior and interior settings. His work can be found in private gardens and public spaces.

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