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Hennessy Celebrates The 75th Anniversary Of The NBA In Precious Style

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A limited edition decanter in time for the 75th anniversary of the NBA HENNESSY

It's the 75th anniversary of the NBA season and to celebrate this landmark year, Maison Hennessy is launching its Paradis concoction in the most stunning and technically genius form.

Hennessy has appointed jeweler Lorenz Bäumer to create a special limited edition decanter to mark the occasion. Bäumer, the former head of fine jewelry at Louis Vuitton and the creative director of his eponymous jewelry collection has his headquarters at the epicenter of the rarefied world of jewels, Place Vendome. Among his most famous jewelry commissions was the tiara worn by Princess Charlene of Monaco for her wedding to Prince Albert.

Inspired by the sport, the decanter takes on a spherical form replete with the grid details found on the planes of basketballs. Bäumer combined his designed expertise with the savoir faire of the house of Baccarat to create the crystal decanter. The result is luxurious feat that combines various precious materials.

The crystal decanter holds 1.75 liters of the Paradis cognac, a blend created in 1979 that has long been considered one of the greatest creations of master blender Maurice Fillioux. The rich color of the Paradis cognac is echoed in the design of the decanter through the copper grid work on the crystal.

Only 75 pieces of the this Paradis x NBA decanter have been produced. The decanters are housed in orange leather wrapped boxes and the lines of a basketball are recreated through hand drawn gilding. The boxes fully open to reveal the decanter much like a trophy case. Included with the decanter are two balloon glasses to make a ritual of imbibing this special blend.

This Hennessy tribute to the world of NBA is part of the house's Edition Rares collection. All 75 pieces will hit the market on October 15, in time for the start of the NBA season.

This Paradis x NBA decanter comes in the heels of another rare Hennessy collaboration. Partnering with the storied leather house of Berluti and the architect Daniel Libeskind, Hennessy created a sculptural and multi-faceted carafe housed in a leather attache case. This collaboration was produce in an edition of 150 with a whopping price tag of \$40,000. Getting your hands on one is not as easy as going to your local wine store because they are only sold through private sales.



The jeweler Lorenz Bäumer worked with Baccarat to create the decanter. HENNESSY



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The decanter comes in a limited number of 75. HENNESSY

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