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HERMES BAG FOR:

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Hermes RED/GHW TOGO BIRKIN 35'

Year: 2004

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History

First started in 1837 when horses and carriages were the cars of the day. Thierry Hermès, godson of a master suede worker, moved to France in 1828 from Germany. He began his esteemed Parisian presence as a luxury harness and saddlery shop catering to wealthy Parisians and royalty such as Napoleon III. His sons, son-in-law, and grandchildren have carried the business over the last century into the present. Still producers of luxury saddlery, the company now has over 14 product divisions from leather goods, scarves to jewelry and ready-to-wear.

Early use of the zipper, celebrity namesake bags, and a continued use of natural materials has established Hermès a significant place in the history of fashion. Vintage and modern creations earn high appraisals and coveted ownership.

Hermes Birkin Bag



Most sought after bag. Impossible to find and highly collectable bag with a long waiting list.

- 1984 – *Hermes Birkin* was created by CEO Jean-Louis Dumas and actress Jane Birkin. (named after her. She found the Kelly Bag to be impractical for herself).

One craftsman works on one Birkin bag (ca. 18 hours). Handmade in France using signature saddle stitching.

Price range: \$10.500,00 to \$150.000,00 (prices vary according to type of leather, limited quantity and exclusivity).

Birkin Bag Size Reference:

25cm: 10" L x 5" W x 8"H

30cm: 12" L x 6.25" W x 9" H

35cm: 14" L x 7.5" W x 10.75" H

40cm: 16" L x 8" W x 11.25" H

Design

- Two rolled leather handles, flap closure with two belted straps and a centre turnlock which holds a padlock.
- "Hermes Made in France" stamping.
- The keys are enclosed in a leather key holder = **clochette**.
- The **45'** is a travel Birkin with slightly longer straps.
- **Haut au Courries (HAC = High Belts in French)** it is slightly taller with shorter straps. These come in sizes 27, 32 and, 37.
- There is a **JPG** version designed by Jean Paul Gaultier, which is considered the "shoulder Birkin."