

From below—Masterpiece Delgado Macaw fountain pen with gold-plated accents and gold-plated stainless steel nib, capped and uncapped; Masterpiece Delgado Peacock fountain pen with satin gold-plated accents and gold-plated stainless steel nib, uncapped and capped. Bottom left—Masterpiece Delgado Demo Matted fountain pen with rose-gold-plated appointments and stainless steel nib. Bottom right—close-up of the engraving and semi-translucent body of the new Masterpiece Delgado Black Widow.



So, there is the high-performativity factor and the fair-price factor. But in order for a fountain pen to be popular, it also must be beautiful, and Penlux pens certainly are. Every Penlux fountain pen is a classic cigar shape with either polished silver or gold-plated polished silver components: rolling clip, slim cap ring with Penlux logo engraving, and another ring at the piston-filler's blind cap. The piston-filler's extremely tight threading means that the metal rod completely releases with as little distance between the blind cap and the pen barrel as possible.

The Penlux Masterpiece collection features the Grande, an oversize fountain pen with an 18-mm diameter and a 1-ml ink capacity, and the Delgado, a slimmer and lighter-weight version with a 16-mm diameter and a reservoir capacity of about 0.8 ml. Grande and Delgado will be joined later in the year by the relaunched Junior, an entry-level fountain pen with an even smaller diameter.

The newest Penlux collection is the Elite, an oversize fountain pen with gold-plated appointments. Unlike the Grande and the Delgado, whose clips are attached by a ring, the Elite's rolling clip is directly recessed into the cap and features Penlux logo engraving. Additionally, the section is gold-plated rather than resin. The Penlux Elite features a gold-plated stainless steel nib. The piston-filling fountain pen comes in stunning striated PMMA resins, currently available in Mustard (yellow and brown) and Burgundy (burgundy and black). The Penlux Elite has an MSRP of \$270 with a stainless steel nib.

