

WHISK(E)Y

SCOTLAND

Scotch whisky traces its origins to 15th-century Scotland, when distillation techniques were introduced from Ireland. Early distillates, known as *aqua vitae* ('water of life'), were produced primarily for medicinal purposes by the Guild of Surgeon Barbers. Through the storage of surplus spirit in oak barrels, Scotland gradually discovered the transformative effects of maturation, laying the foundation for modern whisky production.

Today, Scotch whisky remains one of the most influential spirits in the world. While regional styles such as the smoky whiskies of Islay and the rich, fruit-forward whiskies of the Highlands helped define its identity, contemporary producers continue to expand the category through innovative cask maturation and evolving production techniques.

Traditional Scotch Regions:

Islay (Eye-lah): Smoke, brine, citrus, texture

Highland: Rich, sweet, fruity, caramel

Campbelltown: Complex, soft smoke, toffee, stone fruit

Lowland: Light, grassy, floral, citrus

ISLAY

Ardbeg is an icon of Islay! With a very distinctive flavor profile, it is unlike every other distillery on the island and has such a great following, with every new release highly sought after by its fans. Now in the hands of Moët Hennessy along with Glenmorangie, it is known for being rich and sweet, essentially matured in ex-Bourbon casks, and...heavily peated (55 ppm on the barley, 25 ppm on the newmake). Somewhat long fermentations paired with a high degree of reflux during distillation (Ardbeg is known for being the '2.5 times distilled malt') may explain the iodine-free, cold smoke, medicinal character of Ardbeg. The distillery ages its whiskies on Islay, mostly in ex-Bourbon barrels, but has been experimenting with all types of oak vessels for some time now. Just like at its sister distillery, Glenmorangie, Dr Bill Lumsden is man in charge of whisky creation. The current Distillery Manager is Colin Gordon, following a 13 year tenure by Mickey Heads.

• Ardbeg 10 Year — \$32 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #AR10

Matured entirely in ex-Bourbon barrels and bottled non-chill-filtered at 46%, this Islay benchmark shows Ardbeg in its purest voice: briny smoke, malt sweetness, and a citrus edge shaped by long fermentations and copper-rich stills. A post-1997 distillery rebirth icon, the Ten set the modern standard for peated single malt—bridging the intensity of tradition with a new era of precision and purity.

• **Ardbeg 17 Year — \$54 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #AR17C**

Distilled during the early 1980s and bottled in the late 1990s for the revived Committee, this 17-year expression spent its life in refill Bourbon casks, softening the phenolic edge into a gentle drift of coastal smoke, vanilla, and herbal honey. It captured the last stocks before Glenmorangie's restoration, preserving the quieter, fruit-led character of pre-modern Ardbeg—a contemplative counterpoint to the distillery's later bolder style.

• **Ardbeg 'An Oa' — \$27 — 93.2 proof / 46.6% ABV — #ARAO**

A vatting of whiskies aged in new American oak, first-fill Bourbon, and PX Sherry butts, married in the distillery's Gathering Vat to harmonize smoke and sweetness. 'An Oa' rounds the sharp peat edges with honeyed oak and mocha spice, offering a supple introduction to modern Ardbeg's complexity. It marked the brand's first permanent release from the new Dr. Bill Lumsden era—a statement of balance over brute force.

• **Ardbeg 'Corryvreckan' — \$45 — 114 proof / 57.1% ABV — #ARC**

Named after the whirlpool north of Islay, Corryvreckan marries heavily peated spirit matured in French oak with classic Bourbon-aged stock. The French oak's tannins and dark spice coil around dense espresso, tar, and blackberry tones. Introduced in 2009 as a permanent cask-strength offering, it became the distillery's boldest expression of raw energy—where maritime depth meets continental structure.

• **Ardbeg 'Traigh Bhan' TB/04 — 19 Year — \$69 — 92.4 proof / 46.2% ABV — #ARTB04**

Distilled in 2003 and bottled in 2022, this fourth batch of Traigh Bhan blends ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks to evoke the shifting sands of its namesake Islay beach. The long maturation yields notes of smoked almond, leather, and salted honey, laced with quiet fruit warmth. A rare age-statement Ardbeg, it continues the annual vintage series—proof that patience and peat can indeed coexist with grace.

• **Ardbeg 'Traigh Bhan' TB/05 — 19 Year — \$69 — 92.4 proof / 46.2 % ABV — #ARTB05**

Distilled in 2004 and bottled in 2023, Batch 05 unites ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks with a higher proportion of American oak, yielding a silkier peat profile than its predecessors. Honeyed smoke, almond, and citrus peel thread through the maritime salt and leather core. Now the fifth annual vintage, TB/05 cements Traigh Bhan as Ardbeg's modern age-statement flagship—refined, coastal, and deeply textural.

• **Ardbeg 'Uigeadail' — \$28 — 108.4 proof / 54.2 % ABV — #ARU**

A vatting of Sherry butts and Bourbon barrels, 'Uigeadail' layers Ardbeg's smoke with treacle, leather, and dark fruit richness. Its name comes from the loch that feeds the distillery springs, and its character embodies that depth—peat meeting plum and espresso heat. First released in 2003, it bridged the classic and contemporary eras, showing how Ardbeg's raw power could wear a velvet cloak of Sherry-driven sweetness.

• **Ardbeg 'Wee Beastie' — 5 Year — \$23 — 94.8 proof / 47.4 % ABV — #ARWB**

Matured in ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks, this five-year-old release celebrates the distillery's feral youth. Freshly smoked bacon, lemon zest, and wet earth rush forward with unfiltered energy. Its short maturation lets the high-ppm peat sing untamed, recalling the spirit of 1970s Ardbeg new-make. A modern statement that maturity isn't measured in years but in the clarity of character.

• **Ardbeg ‘Heavy Vapours’ — \$37 — 100 proof / 50 % ABV — #ARHV**

Distilled without the distillery’s signature purifier for the first time in its history, ‘Heavy Vapours’ retains the thick oils and raw phenolics normally refined out. Aged in ex-Bourbon barrels, it delivers dense tar and pepper over charred vanilla and menthol. Released for Ardbeg Day 2023, this experiment offers a glimpse into a parallel Ardbeg—one where the machinery’s absence reveals the distillery’s untamed core.

• **Ardbeg ‘Anthology: The Harpy’s Tale’ — 13 Year — \$45 — 92 proof / 46 % ABV — #ARHT**

Matured in a marriage of ex-Bourbon and Sauternes casks, this first chapter of the Anthology series explores peat’s dialogue with sweet white wine wood. Distilled in 2010 and bottled in 2023, it layers heather smoke with honeyed grape and candied lime. The result is a mythic balance between Islay and Bordeaux—an evolutionary leap in Ardbeg’s ongoing conversation between fire and fruit.

• **Ardbeg ‘Anthology: The Unicorn’s Tale’ — 14 Year — \$46 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARUT**

The second release in Ardbeg’s Anthology series, distilled in 2009 and finished in Madeira casks after long Bourbon maturation. The fortified wine’s dried-fruit depth mingles with coastal smoke, yielding notes of grilled apricot, sea salt, and bitter cocoa. A sequel to The Harpy’s Tale, it pushes the experiment further—proving that even mythical sweetness can find harmony in the island’s elemental peat.

• **Ardbeg ‘Anamorphic’ — \$39 — 96.4 proof / 48.2% ABV — #ARAN**

This Committee 2024 release reimagines cask construction itself: ex-Bourbon barrels with ‘inside-out’ heads, their charred surfaces facing inward to amplify smoke contact. The result is deeply textural, with graphite, roasted espresso, and smoked toffee unfurling in tight, rhythmic layers. Anamorphic stands as a playful yet serious act of cooperage innovation—a distorted mirror reflecting Ardbeg’s fascination with the geometry of flavor.

• **Ardbeg ‘Spectacular’ — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARSP**

Aged in a mix of ex-Bourbon and ruby Port casks, Spectacular premiered on Ardbeg Day 2024 with circus-themed flair but technical depth to match. Port’s berry richness softens the phenolic backbone, weaving cherry smoke, cocoa, and sea spray. It’s an exuberant yet composed performance piece—proof that Ardbeg can entertain without ever losing precision or place.

• **Ardbeg ‘Eureka!’ — \$36 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #AREU**

Distilled from roasted malt and matured in PX Sherry butts, Eureka! marks one of Ardbeg’s rare forays into malt modification. The kilning adds roasted hazelnut and dark malt tones to the familiar maritime smoke, while PX casks lend plush date and molasses sweetness. Released for Ardbeg Day 2025, it celebrates the joy of discovery—Islay intensity meeting inventive spirit.

• **Ardbeg 25 Year — 2022 Release — \$409 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #AR25**

Distilled in the mid-1990s and aged exclusively in ex-Bourbon casks, this venerable expression reveals the quiet grandeur of mature Ardbeg: candle wax, smoked pear, and iodine-laced oak. Bottled non-chill-filtered, it preserves the texture of its era’s slow distillation and small-batch cask management. The 25 stands as the distillery’s crown jewel—proof that time can polish even the wildest peat into pure elegance.

• **Ardbeg 11 Year (SMWS 33.115) ‘Man, That’s Brawl!’ — 2011 Release — \$55 — 110.8 proof / 55.4% ABV — #SMWS-33.115**

A single cask, undiluted and unadjusted whisky distilled in August 1999 and bottled in 2011 by the Single Malt Whisky Society. This whisky screams tar-rich peat while dark cocoa, and chili spice ride a drier, tea-leaf finish with gentle framing from the sherry oak. One of 578 bottles, it’s a cult sherried Ardbeg.

• **Ardbeg 14 Year 2005 — The Whisky Cellar ‘Private Cellars Selection’ — 2019 Release — \$49 — 103.8 proof / 51.9% ABV — #ARD-05WC**

An independent bottling distilled in March 2005 and aged 14 years in an American oak hogshead. This release highlights Ardbeg briny peat, simmering tar, citrus oils, and vanilla on a well structured body that finishes long and smoky.

• **Ardbeg 17 ‘The Legend Returns’ — Committee Exclusive 2024 — \$69 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #ARD-17LR24**

This is an example of Ardbeg’s original expression: a gentler profile with chill filtering aged for 17 years. Sea spray, pine resin, and elegant peat sit inside a softer, older-style Ardbeg frame. This 2024 bottling is a revival of the 2004 classic.

• **Ardbeg 18 Year 1974 — Connoisseurs Choice (Gordon & MacPhail) — \$95 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #G&M-1974**

A snapshot of an era of elegant, low-strength Ardbeg whisky characterized by Gordon & Macphail’s indie bottling style. Aged in refill oak, lean smoke and Islay mineral present over waxed apple and coastal malt with a dry, gently tannic finish. A time-capsule of 1970s Ardbeg filtered through G&M’s classic bottling style.

• **Ardbeg 18 Year — ‘Straight From The Cask’ (Signatory Vintage) — 1998 — \$79 — 113.2 proof / 56.6% ABV — #SIG-SFTC1776**

Distilled in 1998 and aged for 18 years solely in a single first-fill Bourbon barrel. The tight-grained Bourbon cask frames briny peat and tar with citrus oils and vanilla, keeping the spirit’s sinew front and center in this cask strength bottling. A textbook Signatory perspective on late-90s Ardbeg.

• **Ardbeg 19 ‘Traigh Bhàn’ — Batch TB/03-10.10.01/21.BL — \$99 — 96.4 proof / 46.2% ABV — #TB-03**

Pronounced ‘Try Van’, this beach-inspired whisky is matured in American oak and Oloroso sherry casks from a blend of whiskys, the youngest of which is 19 years old. Silky smoke, grilled citrus, and dry cocoa are underpinned by sherry-spice tension and a sea-sprayed finish. The third annual release refines the series’ balancing act between coastal clarity and measured sherry richness.

• **Ardbeg 1975 Vintage — Distillery Bottling — \$285 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #ARD-1975OB**

Distilled in 1975 and bottled in 1998 by the distillery, this whisky is matured in an undisclosed oak treatment. This example is old-school Islay: camphor, lemon oil, and gentle tar over dusty malt, finishing long and dry. A late-century vintage that bridges pre-closure Ardbeg character with the era just before the 1997 revival.

• **Ardbeg 21 Years — Committee Release 2016 — \$75 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARD-21EB**

This 21 year whisky is a blend of the 1993 and 1994 vintages matured in ex-bourbon casks. Briny peat and tar drift into mint-tinged smoke, citrus oils, and dry oak. A rare release from Ardbeg's revival years, it reconnects the modern house to spirit laid down at the cusp of its comeback.

• **Ardbeg Alligator — 2011 Release — \$54 — 102.4 proof / 51.2% ABV — #ARD-GATOR**

This Ardbeg iteration is matured in heavily charred 'Alligator' American Oak barrels. The flavors driven by this 10 year oak treatment drives dark spice, tarry coffee, and barbecue smoke. Though this is a heavier-than-typical Ardbeg, it still finishes crisp and dry.

• **Ardbeg Almost There — 3rd Release 1998 — \$58 — 108.2 proof / 54.1% ABV — #ARD-AT07**

A third release from Ardbeg highlighting the journey to producing their intended style following the distillery's reopening. Distilled in 1998 and bottled in 2007 after nine years in ex-bourbon barrels, the distillery turns a corner here: oily smoke and sea spray meet citrus, vanilla, and cocoa, finishing firm and saline. A pivotal step between Still Young and Renaissance, proving youthful Ardbeg could already sing in full voice.

• **Ardbeg Anamorphic — Committee Release 2023 — \$72 — 96.4 proof / 48.2% ABV — #ARD-ANAM23**

An experiment on unique oak treatment, the whisky was matured in re-worked casks whose heads were removed and deeply scored, then 'high mocha' toasted to expose more active wood. The intensified toast restrains briny edges and draws out chocolate sweetness, mocha, and resinous smoke.

• **Ardbeg Day — Committee Release 2012 — \$73 — 113.4 proof / 56.7% ABV — #ARD-DAY12**

A vatting of two undisclosed vintages (one 8-year and one 12-year) matured in ex-bourbon casks first, finished in refill sherry casks previously used for Uigeadail, and then bottled in 2012 at cask strength. Smoke and sea spray meet dried citrus and cocoa, with the sherry finish tightening the edges. The first global 'Ardbeg Day' bottling.

• **Ardbeg Ardbog — Ardbeg Day 2013 — \$80 — 104.2 proof / 52.1% ABV — #ARD-ARDBOG13**

This second 'Ardbeg Day' bottling was built with whisky aging about 10 years old that was matured in ex-bourbon and Manzanilla sherry casks. Briny peat and tar open to dried lemon and saline walnut from the Manzanilla influence. Bottled 2013.

• **Ardbeg Ardcore — Committee Release 2022 — \$50 — 100.2 proof / 50.1% ABV — #ARD-ARDCORE22**

Created with 75% normally roasted malted barley and 25% fully roasted black malt, this non-age statement whisky was aged in oak casks and bottled at 50.1% ABV. Charcoal, anise, and dark chocolate ride taut, coastal smoke—more bitter-sweet roast than sweet oak.

• **Ardbeg Arrrrrrrdbeg! 'Pirate of the Hebridean' — Committee Release 2021 — \$62 — 103.6 proof / 51.8% ABV — #ARD-ARRR21**

Matured entirely in ex-rye casks with re-charred hogsheads, expect notes of smoked banana,

vanilla, spice, and coastal peat in a lively, peppery palate. Released as a farewell salute to longtime distillery manager Mickey Heads..

• **Ardbeg Auriverdes — Ardbeg Day 2014 — \$74 — 99.8 proof / 49.9% ABV — #ARD-AUR114**

This non-age stated Ardbeg was matured in American oak with specially toasted heads. The toasted ends steer mocha, coffee-ground and vanilla tones through tarry, herbal smoke and grilled citrus. A festival release that showcased Ardbeg's early experiments with targeted toast profiles.

• **Ardbeg BizarreBQ — Limited Edition 2023 — \$48 — 101.8 proof / 50.9% ABV — #ARD-BBQ23**

Continuing Ardbeg's experimentation with oak treatments, this non-aged whisky was aged in double-charred oak, PX Sherry, and proprietary 'BBQ' casks. The finishing blend folds sweet smoke, pepper, and grilled-fruit richness around Ardbeg's briny core without tipping the palate sweet. It's the distillery's first explicitly barbecue-inspired cask program.

• **Ardbeg Blaaack — Committee 20th Anniversary (2020) — \$64 — 101.4 proof / 50.7% ABV — #ARD-BLAA20**

Matured primarily in New Zealand Pinot Noir casks with other oak influence, expect sooty peat and cedar to frame black-cherry fruit and soft pastry tones with a dry, ashy close. Marking 20 years of the Ardbeg Committee, this is currently the only red wine cask example of Ardbeg.

• **Ardbeg Dark Cove — Committee Release 2016 — \$75 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #ARD-DARK16**

Despite the non-age statement, this whisky is aged extensively in PX Sherry casks to deliver intense color and fruit quality. Treacle toffee, coal-tar smoke and espresso tones run through sea-sprayed peat, yielding a notably inky profile with an uncharacteristic sweeter profile. Bottled at 55% (high by Ardbeg standards) to complement the richness of the whisky.

• **Ardbeg Drum — Committee Release 2019 — \$50 — 104 proof / 52% ABV — #ARD-DRUM19**

This bottling introduces Caribbean rum casks to the traditional ex-Bourbon maturation Ardbeg employs. Juicy tropical notes and molasses-tinged sweetness layer briny peat, citrus, and tar while the finish remains crisp and dry.

• **Ardbeg Galileo 1999 — \$72 — 98 proof / 49% ABV — #ARD-GAL12**

This tropically flavored whisky is 1999 vintage distillate matured in ex-Marsala and first-fill ex-bourbon casks. Aged 12 years and bottled in 2012, it delivers modern Ardbeg silky smoke and Marsala-forward grilled pineapple, citrus oils, and gentle oak. Released to mark Ardbeg's space-aging experiment, it does not contain any extra-planetary spirit.

• **Ardbeg Grooves — Ardbeg Day 2018 — \$46 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARD-GRV18**

A proportion of this spirit is aged in heavily charred red-wine casks whose re-toasted staves were cut with deep grooves. Soft, savory smoke, red-berry warmth, and leather roll into a dry, coastal close. This is another example of Ardbeg exploring different wood geometries and oak exposure.

• **Ardbeg Heavy Vapours — Committee Release 2023 — \$52 — 100.4 proof / 50.2% ABV — #ARD-HV23**

Fully matured in ex-bourbon casks, then bottled for the Committee at 50.2% ABV; for this experiment Ardbeg **removed the purifier** on the still to let heavier compounds carry over. Dense, darker smoke, licorice, and herbal bite ride a taut, coastal frame. It's the still-room tweak that reframed Ardbeg's balance of weight and brightness for a single season.

• **Ardbeg Hypernova — Committee Release 2022 — \$86 — 102 proof / 51% ABV — #ARD-HN22**

Matured in oak and bottled non-chill-filtered at 51% ABV, this Committee exclusive pushes Ardbeg into ultra-heavy peat territory (the series' smokiest to date). Soot, tar, and creosote explode over citrus and brine, yet the finish stays dry and controlled. A milestone in the peated canon—channeling extremity into focus rather than sheer burn.

• **Ardbeg Kelpie — Committee Release 2017 — \$41 — 103.4 proof / 51.7% ABV — #ARD-KEL17**

For this expression, Ardbeg sought Adyghe oak casks from the Black Sea to mature a portion of this non-age statement whisky. The rare oak lends herbal resin, dark spice, and oily smoke over Ardbeg's briny core.

• **Ardbeg Lord of the Isles — 25 Years — \$298 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARD-LOI**

This is a blend of the 1976 and 1977 vintages bottled between 2001 and 2007. Expect camphor, waxy citrus and measured tar, with a dry, lingering coastal finish. A benchmark late-20th-century Ardbeg that brought pre-closure stocks to the modern era.

• **Ardbeg Perpetuum — 200th Anniversary 2015 — \$84 — 94.8 proof / 47.4% ABV — #ARD-PERP15**

Composed from older and younger Ardbeg matured in a mix of ex-bourbon and sherry-influenced casks. Silky smoke, cocoa and citrus glide into a neat, sea-sprayed finish, highlighting the tension between new and old whisky. This release set the tone for modern, multi-era Ardbeg vatting.

• **Ardbeg Scorch — Committee Release 2021 — \$73 — 103.4 proof / 51.7% ABV — #ARD-SCR21**

Expounding on the Ardbeg Alligator, this whisky uses heavily charred ex-Bourbon barrels (possibly previously used in the Alligator) to create an intensely smoke-driven Scotch. Dense smoke, charred oak, licorice and pepper ride a taut, dry frame. Bottled at high ABV.

• **Ardbeg Smoketrails — Manzanilla Edition — Batch SP/MZL:2022/01-ST — \$46 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARD-ST-MZL**

Undergoing an initial maturation in American oak before transfer to Manzanilla sherry casks from Sanlúcar de Barrameda, this Global Travel Retail-exclusive release introduces the classic salty flor quality of Sanlúcar Sherry to Ardbeg. Soot, citrus oils, and dry cocoa lead into a clean, bright, ocean spray finish.

Bowmore sits right by the water in the town of Bowmore, Islay. Owned by the Japanese group Suntory (now 'Beam-Suntory') since 1994, it exhibits 'the mild side of Islay', i.e. gently peated malt (25 ppm on the barley), mostly placed in ex-Bourbon barrels, often finished or 'co-matured' in ex-Sherry or other wine casks.

Malting is done on-site for about a third of the distillery needs and aging also takes place on the island, partly in traditional dunnage warehouses right by the sea, conferring a marine character to the malt. The lucky inhabitants of the 'town' splash and dive in a swimming pool heated by the heat released when the vapors condense...

• **Bowmore 12 Year 'Lochindaal' — \$23 — 80 proof / 40 % ABV — #BM12**

Matured in a mix of Bourbon and Sherry casks, Bowmore 12 reflects the distillery's signature equilibrium between sea salt, smoke, and orange blossom. Its medium peat and long fermentation yield notes of heather honey, lemon peel, and briny malt. Named for Loch Indaal, the bay it overlooks, this bottling remains the defining gateway into Bowmore's coastal poise—gentle, aromatic, and unmistakably Islay.

• **Bowmore 15 Year — \$55 — 86 proof / 43 % ABV — #BM15**

Initially aged in ex-Bourbon casks before a final three-year rest in first-fill Oloroso Sherry butts, the 15 balances dried fruit and smoke in perfect symmetry. Cocoa, raisin, and toffee weave through Bowmore's saline peat. Since its early-2000s reintroduction, it has become the distillery's modern signature—proof that judicious Sherry finishing can amplify rather than obscure the spirit's maritime soul.

• **Bowmore 18 Year — \$73 — 86 proof / 43 % ABV — #BM18**

A long marriage of Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks yields mahogany depth and silken peat. Dried fig, espresso, and sea-spray chocolate glide over the supple texture of extended oak integration. Introduced as part of the core range in the 2000s, the 18 represents Bowmore's mature house balance—where time refines the smoke into quiet resonance rather than volume.

• **Bowmore 25 Year — \$265 — 86 proof / 43 % ABV — #BM25**

Matured in a balance of Bourbon and Sherry oak for a quarter century, the 25 offers an opulent blend of dark chocolate, roasted orange, and sea-smoke polish. The long oxidative aging tempers peat into incense-like warmth. Often described as 'amazingly rich and complex,' it exemplifies how Bowmore's coastal maturity can rival Speyside's elegance while retaining Islay's elemental depth.

• **Bowmore 30 Year — 2022 Release — \$779 — 90 proof / 45 % ABV — #BM30**

Distilled in 1991 and 1992 and aged in a marriage of first-fill Sherry hogsheads and Bourbon barrels, this limited annual release captures the distillery's rarest harmony. Silken smoke, tropical fruit, and sandalwood unfurl with astonishing poise. Bottled at 45 %, non-chill-filtered, it embodies the quiet grandeur of long-aged Bowmore—proof that Islay's gentlest voice can still echo the loudest.

• **Black Bowmore 1964 — Final Edition (bottled 1995) — \$1,900/\$3,800 — 98 proof / 49% ABV — #BMW-64FE**

Distilled in 1964 and bottled in 1995, this classic Islay was matured exclusively in Oloroso sherry casks resting in the No. 1 Vaults. Ebony color ushers in fig, mango, dark cocoa, and polished walnut around a deep, steady peat glow. Final installment of the original trilogy (1,812 total bottles), it epitomizes Bowmore's 1960s sherry power.

• **Bowmore No. 1 Vaults 30 Year — Annual Release — \$850 — 90.6 proof / 45.3% ABV — #BMW-30V1**

Aged three decades in a mix of sherry hogsheads and bourbon barrels drawn from Bowmore's sea-level No. 1 Vaults and bottled at cask strength. Tropical fruit, honeyed malt and quiet eucalyptus ride through fine, coastal smoke. A modern-age statement from the oldest warehouse in Scotland.

• **Bowmore 15 Year (2001) — Murray & McDavid, Sherry Butt → 1st-Fill Port Pipe — \$69 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MM-2001BWM**

This independent bottling was distilled in 2001 before maturation in a large 500 Liter Sherry butt. It was then re-racked into a fresh Port pipe for further development until its bottling in 2016. Briny peat and citrus are rounded by cocoa, dark fruits and a gentle wine-tannin snap. 935 bottles produced.

• **Bowmore 17 Year — Distillery Bottling — \$97 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BMW-17OB**

17 years of maturation in seasoned oak encourages aromas of sea-spray peat, lemon oil and soft vanilla to settle into a dry, tea-leaf finish. Calm, mineral and old-school in tone, it captures the pre-18-year era when Bowmore's elegance led the line.

• **Bowmore 18 Year 'Vintner's Trilogy' — Manzanilla Cask — \$112 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV — #BMW-18MANZ**

The youngest part of Bowmore's 'Vintner's Trilogy', this 18 year old whisky spent 13 years in ex-bourbon barrels and 5 years in Manzanilla sherry casks. Saline sherry lines up with soot, spiced orange and dark caramel, tightening the finish clean and dry.

• **Bowmore 22 Year 1998 — Berry Bros. & Rudd 'Conquête' — \$138 — 101.2 proof / 50.6% ABV — #BWM-98BBR**

Selected by Berry Bros. & Rudd for La Maison du Whisky's Conquête series, this 22 year old whisky was aged in a single refill hogshead. Distilled in 1998 and bottled in 2021 at cask strength, you will find the classic Bowmore salted citrus, waxy tropical fruits, and measured soot glide over vanilla and brown sugar notes.

• **Bowmore 19 Year 1998 — Duncan Taylor 'The Octave' — \$96 — 107.8 proof / 53.9% ABV — #BWM-98DT**

After 19 years in oak and a quick 3 month finish in a re-coopered small cask known as an Octave, this 1998 vintage was bottled in 2018 at cask strength. Briny smoke, lemon peel, and fino-leaning nutty sherry notes ride a lively, coastal frame. About 95 bottles were produced.

• **Bowmore 20 Year 1996 — Douglas Laing 'Old Particular' DL12109 — \$133 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV — #BWM-96DL**

This spirit spent December 1996 through September 2017 in a refilled Bourbon hogshead. It was bottled at cask strength and leans into the citrus forward expression of Bowmore supported by lean smoke, vanilla, and tea leaf. 245 bottles produced.

• **Bowmore 21 Year — Sherry Oak Cask — \$144 — 93.6 proof / 46.8% ABV — #BWM-21SOC**

The aging begins in ex-bourbon and Oloroso casks before finishing in first-fill PX sherry casks. Tobacco, heather, and treacle fold into measured coastal smoke, the finish tightening with PX grip. Part of Bowmore's sherry oak series.

• **Bowmore 22 Year — Aston Martin ‘Masters’ Selection’ (No. 1 Vaults) — \$ — 172 proof / 51% ABV — #BWM-22AM**

Composed from long-aged stocks in European oak, Oloroso sherry casks and American oak hogsheads, this special bottling is married and bottled above-proof at 51% ABV.. Dried fruits, floral honey, tobacco leaf, and sea-spray peat unfold over a firm, dry close. Expect a mature, sweeter smoke alongside Bowmore’s maritime profile.

• **Bowmore 23 Year 1989 — ‘Port Cask Matured’ — \$234 — 101.6 proof / 50.8% ABV — #BWM-23PC89**

This 1989 distillation was aged exclusively in Port casks, a significant departure from the house style. Bottled in 2013 at natural strength, this unique official bottling expresses dark fruit, cocoa, and coastal soot with a gentle integrated wine-tannin grip, keeping the finish firm and dry.

• **Bowmore 25 Year — Current OB — \$283 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BWM-25**

Matured in a mix of ex-Bourbon and Sherry casks, the Bowmore 25 year delivers classic tropical fruit, honey, and polished oak with a balanced peated quality and moderate acidity. The flagship elder of the core range, it balances Bowmore’s fruit-and-peat signature with long, even maturation.

• **Bowmore 25 Year — ‘Old Version’ (Seagull Label, 2004) — \$325 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BWM-25OV**

A counterpart to the modern style, this 25 year whisky bottled in 2004 represents the previous iteration of Bowmore’s house style. Aged in sherry casks and bottled under the classic black-and-gold ‘Seagull’ presentation you will find fig, walnut and old-oak polish wrap gentle peat, finishing dry and composed. A late pre-rebrand chapter that spotlights Bowmore’s sherry-led maturity from stocks laid down in earlier decades.

• **Bowmore 26 Year — ‘Vintner’s Trilogy’ French Oak Barrique — \$192 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #BWM-26VT**

The second part of Bowmore’s ‘Vintner’s Trilogy,’ this undergoes 13 years in ex-bourbon barrels and 13 years in French oak red wine barriques. Aged in the No. 1 Vaults and bottled at cask-strength, the 26 year displays redcurrant and dark chocolate through earthy smoke and a saline finish.

• **Bowmore 26 Year — ‘Vintner’s Trilogy’ French Oak Barrique — No. 1 Vaults Label — \$192 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #BWM-26VT-V1**

Aged in the No. 1 Vaults: 13 years in ex-bourbon - 13 years in French-oak wine barriques, bottled at natural strength. Berry compote, camphor, and oak-spiced smoke unfold with a long, mouth-watering close. This No. 1 Vaults—badged variant underscores the trilogy’s message—Bowmore’s oldest warehouse shaping wine-accented elegance over decades.

• **Bowmore Darkest Sherry Casked — \$50 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BWM-DARK-NAS**

This is a 15 year aged whisky built from spirit aged in ex-bourbon and Oloroso sherry casks. It was designed to explore deeper, richer sherry accents while keeping Bowmore’s coastal peat taut and dry. Cocoa, raisin and orange-peel warmth frame sea-spray smoke without tipping sweet.

• **Bowmore Darkest Vault Edition — Atlantic Sea Salt (1st Release) — \$76 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV — #BWM-VE1**

Aged for 15 years in the sea-level No. 1 Vaults with 3 of those years in Oloroso cask, this bottling was released at higher strength to spotlight the warehouse's saline microclimate and the additional influence of fruit and sweetness from the oloroso. Nectarine and vanilla thread through briny peat and cocoa, finishing crisp and mineral.

• **Bowmore Mizunara Cask Finish — 2015 Limited Release — \$198 — 107.8 proof / 53.9% ABV — #BWM-MIZ15**

Using spirit that comes from Bowmore's ex-bourbon and sherry cask expression, the whisky was then finished in rare Japanese Mizunara oak. Sandalwood-spice and coconut lift meet Bowmore's gentle peat and sea salt for a vivid, dry finish. The first Scotch single malt finished in Japanese oak, it marked a true east-meets-west milestone. 2,000 bottles released.

• **Bowmore 30 Year — No. 1 Vaults Annual Release — \$775 — 90.6 proof / 45.3% ABV — #BWM-30V1**

Selected from only two casks each year, this 30 year old whisky is a blend of sherry hogsheads and bourbon barrels from the No. 1 Vaults. Bottled at cask strength, the typical tropical aromas of Bowmore are complemented by honeyed malt, eucalyptus, and gentle briny smoke.

• **Bowmore Timeless 27 Year — \$688 — 105.4 proof / 52.7% ABV — #BWM-TIME27**

A limited, high-proof release which spends 15 years in ex-bourbon and sherry casks with a following 12 years in Oloroso butts. Dried fruit and chestnut honey weave through soot and citrus with a long, dry, incense-tinged finish. 3,000 bottles were released of this edition.

• **Bowmore Timeless — No. 1 Vaults 29 Year — \$665 — 107.4 proof / 53.7% ABV — #BWM-TIME29**

Composed from casks of sherry-seasoned European oak and ex-bourbon American oak filled between 1991-1992, this limited cask-strength bottling highlights the dark dried fruit, cocoa and bitter orange ride measured peat and sea-salt minerality characteristic of the 'Timeless' series, though with noticeable difference from its time in the No. 1 Vaults. 3,000 bottles produced.

Bruichladdich, or 'corner of the beach' for its Gaelic name, is an iconic distillery on the beautiful island of Islay ('eye-lah') to the South and West of Scotland. Now in the hands of the Spirits group Rémy Cointreau, it produces 3 main single malts: '**Bruichladdich**', a non-peated malt whisky, an extremely peated malt '**Octomore**' and '**Port Charlotte**', which stands somewhere in between. The company uses Scottish barley only, sometimes from Islay farms, but so far does not malt the barley itself (their own malting floor is scheduled for 2024). Bruichladdich has a focus point on Terroir, and generally speaking, the origins of all elements of the whisky: grain, water, wood. American oak, in the shape of ex-Bourbon barrels, overwhelmingly dominates maturation, but a lot of wine casks are still in use, speaking of the previous owners' wine trade roots. This is not your regular Scotch with its age statement bearings and consistency holy grail.

• **Bruichladdich 15 Year — 2002–2017 (North Star Spirits) — \$43 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #BL15NS**

Distilled in 2002 and bottled in 2017 by North Star Spirits from a refill Bourbon hogshead, non-chill-filtered at natural strength. Refill wood preserves the distillate's barley sugar and lemon barley water while adding coconut husk and a clean mineral snap. Capturing an early post-

revival vintage via an independent lens, it spotlights the house's unpeated purity before the later wave of cask experimentation took center stage.

• **Bruichladdich 'The Classic Laddie' — Scottish Barley — \$25 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BLCL**

Batch-by-batch cuvées matured predominantly in first-fill American whiskey casks with select European wine casks, bottled unpeated, non-chill-filtered, and color-free. Barley sugar, green apple, and sea-spray softness flow from the gentle oak and long fermentations. As the signature of the 2001 resurrection, it defined modern transparency and provenance—proof that a distillery can lead with raw ingredients and still deliver easy, graceful drinkability.

• **Bruichladdich 'Bere Barley' 2012 — 10 Year — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BLBB12**

Distilled from the 2012 harvest of heritage bere barley and matured a decade in predominantly first-fill Bourbon casks (with measured second-fill for balance), then bottled unpeated and non-chill-filtered. Toasted oat, wild honey, and lemon peel trace directly to the low-yield grain and patient American oak. As part of the Barley Provenance program, it validates that variety—not just place—shapes texture and flavor in profound, delicious ways.

• **Bruichladdich 'Islay Barley' 2011 — 6 Year — \$24 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BLIB11**

Grown on local farms, distilled in 2011, and matured six years primarily in first-fill American whiskey casks with a small parcel of European wine wood, then married and bottled unpeated at 50%. Salted porridge, lemon oil, and meadow flower glide over a supple grain-driven core. One of the early age-stated farm vintages, it crystallized the distillery's thesis: provenance can speak clearly even at youthful maturity.

• **Bruichladdich 'Re/Define' — 18 Year — \$67 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BL18RD**

Long American-oak maturation forms the foundation, with a judicious parcel of French sweet-wine casks married in to lift fruit and viscosity; bottled unpeated and non-chill-filtered. Silken malt, ripe apricot, and almond nougat unfold with steady, resonant length. Framed as a redefinition of house maturity, this 18 revisits pre-closure elegance through today's cask craft—an articulate bridge between origin-first philosophy and contemporary polish.

• **Bruichladdich 'Black Art 10.1' — 29 Year (2022 Release) — \$205 — 90.2 proof / 45.1% ABV — #BLBA10**

From undisclosed 1993 vintage casks in both American and European oak, selected and married by Head Distiller Adam Hannett; unpeated, non-chill-filtered, and intentionally mysterious. Fig cake, walnut shell, and old leather meet citrus oils and dark honey in a quietly powerful weave. The tenth Black Art continues the arc begun under Jim McEwan—an ongoing meditation on pre-closure stocks and the alchemy of memory, wood, and time.

• **Bruichladdich 'Black Art 11.1' — 24 Year (2023 Release) — \$195 — 88.4 proof / 44.2% ABV — #BLBA11**

An enigmatic 24-year unpeated vintage, matured entirely on Islay and bottled in 2023 with cask details intentionally undisclosed; non-chill-filtered and natural colour. The palate moves from dark honey and citrus oils to polished oak and dried florals, all wrapped in Bruichladdich's mineral grace. As the eleventh Black Art, it continues the series' meditation on secrecy and memory—trusting the glass, not a spec sheet, to tell the story.

• **Bruichladdich 10 Year — 'The Laddie Ten' — Signed — \$30 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810500531**

The signed run of Bruichladdich 10 Year marks the initial bottlings of this aged indication after the distillery's 2001 reopening. Matured in ex-bourbon American oak and using distillate from the post-revival stocks, you will find vanilla, honeyed barley, and sea-spray brightness leading into lemon peel and a dry, mineral close.

• **Bruichladdich 12 Year — Second Edition — \$42 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #180575459**

Aged entirely in ex-bourbon casks, the Second Edition 12 Year keeps the malt centerline clear: citrus oils, barley sweetness, and light vanilla over a saline, tea-leaf-dry finish. This whisky shows extra polish and refinement over The Laddie Ten.

• **Bruichladdich 14 Year 'Cairdean' — Valinch — 50 cl — \$72 — 112 proof / 56% ABV — #1883/2000**

Believed to be one of the earliest cask-strength, single-cask releases produced by Bruichladdich, this limited release distilled in 1989 was bottled by hand in 2013 directly from the cask using a pipette-like object called a valinch. 'Cairdean,' which means Family or Friends, is a release sold exclusively at the Bruichladdich distillery. This whisky displays an oil-satin texture with honeyed cereal, salted lemon, and toasted oak aromas that finish into a firm, coastal freshness.

• **Bruichladdich 14 Year — The Italian Collection 'Barolo' — \$94 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810504975**

This 1993 distillate was aged in ex-bourbon casks before finishing in Barolo wine casks. The contact with Nebbiolo-seasoned French oak barrels adds danish pastry, cocoa dust, and weight to Bruichladdich's classic citrus-malt clarity.

• **Bruichladdich 14 Year — The Italian Collection 'Sassicaia' — \$94 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810505475**

Tenuta San Guido, the producer of the Super Tuscan wine Sassicaia, provided used American oak barrels for Bruichladdich to finish this part of their Italian Collection. This whisky opens savory and saline before developing leathery meat notes with air, indicative of mature Cabernet Sauvignon influence.

• **Bruichladdich 15 Year — Second Edition — \$96 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810575173**

This second edition of the Bruichladdich 15 Year undergoes finishing in Sauternes casks from Château d'Yquem. Honeyed orchard fruit and vanilla gain a waxy, dessert-wine gloss while sea-spray brightness keeps the finish dry and mineral.

• **Bruichladdich 15 Year — Valinch & Mallet 'Hidden Casks' — Madeira Butt — \$84 — 108.2 proof / 54.1% ABV — #V&M-15-MDR**

Italian independent bottler Valinch & Mallet acquired some 2003 Bruichladdich distillate and matured it in a Madeira butt for 15 years. Pickled citrus and dried fruit notes are the defining features of this unique interpretation of Bruichladdich spirit.

• **Bruichladdich 15 Year — Vintage 1996 'Oloroso Sherry' (500 ml) — \$92 — #1996-OLOR-50CL**

A rare example of Bruichladdich aged exclusively in Oloroso cask and bottled for distillery release. Cocoa-tinged dried fruit and polished oak fold around Bruichladdich's citrus-malt core, finishing neat and saline. This is a compact, sherry-led window into mid-'90s intimate scale and old-school in tone.

• **Buichladdich 16 Year — Cuvée C ‘Margaux’ — \$118 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810557875**

This third release of the Buichladdich 16 Year Cuvée series sees the typical Buichladdich 15 finished in 1 year of Château Margaux wine casks. This delicate whisky carries floral and peach notes on the nose with a silky, red berry palate finishing clean and long.

• **Buichladdich 16 Year — Cuvée D ‘Pessac-Léognan’ — \$118 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810559075**

Finished for 1 year in Château Haut-Brion wine casks, the power and structure of Haut-Brion are obvious in this blend. Waves of assertive cherry and dark fruit alongside tobacco-leaf dryness and grilled citrus bracket the mineral malt and measured oak spice.

• **Buichladdich 18 Year 1989 — Kosher Wine Finish — \$128 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810551275**

An 18 year single-vintage distillate undergoing ex-Bourbon maturation and then finished in kosher wine casks from Israeli kosher winemaker Carmel. Red-fruited lift and gentle spice frame citrus-bright Laddie malt with a dry, coastal close.

• **Buichladdich 30 Year 1973 — \$585 — 80.4 proof / 40.2% ABV — #BRU-1973-30**

Composed from 65% American oak and 35% refill sherry hogsheads, 4,200 bottles of this whisky were produced. Waxy orchard fruit, vanilla, and polished old oak drift are prominent with Buichladdich’s mineral, sea-spray finish persisting over its extensive lifespan.

• **Buichladdich 30 Year — 1986/30 ‘Sherry: The Magnificent Seven’ #150 — \$572 — 89.2 proof / 44.6% ABV — #BRU-1986-M7-150**

Distilled in **1986** and bottled in **2017** after 26 years in **Oloroso butts (26 years)** and a 4 year finish in **PX butts**. The barrels were sourced from Fernando de Castilla and yielded 4,200 bottles. Dark sherry richness meets floral Laddie clarity, ending firm and coastal.

• **Buichladdich 30 Year — 1986/30 ‘Sherry: The Magnificent Seven’ #190 — \$572 — 89.2 proof / 44.6% ABV — #BRU-1986-M7-190**

Same 1986/30 Rare Cask Series release: Oloroso for 26 years - PX finish from 2012; bottled **2017** at 44.6% ABV, natural colour, no chill-filtration, 4,200 bottles. Dark sherry richness meets floral Laddie clarity, ending firm and coastal. Listed separately here to match your inventory’s individual bottle numbers.

• **Buichladdich 30 Year — 1988/30 ‘The Untouchable’ — \$572 — 92.4 proof / 46.2% ABV — #BRU-1988-UNT-2522**

The spirit in this 30 Year example is a blend of spirit aged in refill Bourbon barrel and refill squat hogshead for the entirety of the 30 year maturation. Lemon oil, coconut and old-school malt broaden into tobacco-tinged oak and a clean, maritime finish. Less than 6,000 bottles released.

• **Buichladdich — Cadenhead 23 Years 1993 , Authentic Collection — \$144 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #1958801295**

A 23 year-old single ex-Bourbon hogshead, distilled in 1993 and bottled in 2017 by Wm. Cadenhead as part of their Authentic Collection. Lean coastal malt and citrus glide over vanilla and soft oak, with the refill bourbon cask keeping the spirit’s mineral line clear. Only 228 bottles produced.

• **Buichladdich 21 Years — Cuvée 382 ‘La Bérénice’ (MG41) — \$236 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MG41**

Citrus-bright malt meets honeyed stone fruit and gentle pastry spice due to the influence of ex-Sauternes and ex-Barsac Limousin oak finishing. A core statement in the Cuvée series, mapping sweet-wine elegance onto Laddie’s coastal clarity.

• **Buichladdich 21 Years — Cuvée 407 ‘La Noche Bocca Arriba’ (PX) — \$236 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CUV-407**

A final touch of PX Sherry casks lends dark dried fruits and cocoa to a lemon-bright malt and measured peat trace. The tension of weight and body alongside the mineral driven character of Buichladdich distillate highlights this experiment in the 21 Year Old Cuvée trilogy.

• **Buichladdich 21 Years — Cuvée 640 ‘Eroica / Oh Mensch!’ — \$236 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CUV-640**

Using Limousin oak which previously held Cognac, this whisky carries apricot, pear and soft vanilla alongside richer chocolate and oak spice. This edition of the series elevates fruit and texture without blurring the Laddie signature.

• **Buichladdich 22 Years 1992 — Signatory Vintage, UCF — \$194 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SIG-1992-22**

Independent bottler Signatory Vintage secured a single hogshead cask #1386 of 1992 Buichladdich distillate and aged it with minimal intervention until 2014 for a 22 year expression. Lemon oil, barley sweetness and gentle oak run lean and coastal, finishing tea-leaf dry. 288 bottles released.

• **Buichladdich 28 Years 1968 — Signatory Vintage — \$279 — 99.2 proof / 49.6% ABV — #SIG-1968-28**

A rare 1960’s presentation of Buichladdich secured by one of Signatory Vintage’s earliest bottlings. The long rest in seasoned oak keeps the distillate crystalline: waxy orchard fruit, citrus oils, and polished old wood over a dry, coastal finish. Bottled at cask strength with a limited production.

• **Buichladdich ‘The Laddie Sixteen’ — \$82 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #1810500712**

Matured entirely in American white oak, this 16 Year Old whisky is characteristic of the Buichladdich style: vanilla, honeyed barley, lemon peel, and sea-spray minerality, finishing neat and dry.

• **Buichladdich ‘The Stillman’s Dram’ — 26 Years — 1995 Bottling — \$168 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #000259**

Bottled and released during a period of ownership by Whyte & Mackay, this 26 year old whisky spent its time in undisclosed seasoned oak barrels. The profile runs calm and old-school: camphor, lemon oil, malt sweetness and gentle tar over a tea-leaf-dry finish.

• **Buichladdich 12 Years 2005 — Alexander Murray ‘Cask Strength’ — \$24 — 112 proof / 56% ABV — #AM-2005-12-CS**

A vatting of refill bourbon barrels from a peated run of the 2005 vintage bottled at cask strength. Vanilla and toasted grain underpin coastal smoke and citrus with a taut, saline finish. This independent bottling highlights the effect of refill barrels and cask strength spirit in comparison to standard Buichladdich bottlings.

• **Bruichladdich 1984/32 — Rare Cask Series ‘Bourbon: All In’ — \$475 — 87.4 proof / 43.7% ABV — #BRU-1984-32**

Produced from the last 12 casks of the 1984 production, this release was matured entirely in ex-bourbon for 32 years. Lemon oil, vanilla and coconut thread through waxy malt and measured oak, finishing long and maritime. A time-capsule bourbon-only Laddie that anchors the Rare Cask Series. Bottled in 2017 with less than 3,000 bottles filled.

• **Bruichladdich 1985/32 — Rare Cask Series ‘Bourbon: Hidden Glory’ — 2017 Release — \$475 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #BRU-1985-32**

This 1985 production saw a complex maturation program beginning in 3rd fill bourbon cask before being re-casked to first fill ex-bourbon barrels after 27 years and then a virgin French oak finish for 5 years. Lime and honeyed barley meet coconut and waxy oak, the French oak adding a subtle resinous lift.

• **Bruichladdich ‘Sinnsear – Forefathers’ — 1988 → 2003 — 500 cl — \$88 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BRU-1988-SIN**

Distilled in 1988, matured in bourbon casks, and bottled in 2003 as a numbered half-liter release. Clean, old-school Laddie: lemon oil, honeyed malt and coastal mineral notes on a firm, dry finish. A compact homage to the distillery’s ‘forefathers,’ capturing late-’80s fruit in a small-format time capsule. 1,000 bottles released.

• **Bruichladdich 22 Years 1992 — Signatory Vintage, UCF — \$194 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SIG-1992-22-255**

Single **hogshead cask #1386**, distilled in **April 3rd, 1992** → bottled in **May 14th, 2014** at 46% ABV, **288 bottles**, natural color, non-chill-filtered. Lemon zest, barley sugar and vanilla ride a lean, maritime frame to a tea-leaf-dry close. An indie snapshot of early-’90s unpeated Laddie; your bottle is **#255/288**.

• **Bruichladdich 30 Years 1986 — Rare Cask Series ‘Sherry: The Magnificent Seven’ — \$572 — 89.2 proof / 44.6% ABV — #BRU-1986-M7-166**

Oloroso butts for 26 years, re-racked to PX butts in 2012 (Bodega Fernando de Castilla) and bottled in **2017** at natural strength; **4,200 bottles**, natural color, NCF. Dried fruits, cocoa and polished oak fold into measured coastal smoke, finishing long and dry. The definitive sherry-side pillar of the Rare Cask trio; bottle **#166**.

• **Bruichladdich Black Art 1992 — Edition 09.1 — 29 Years — 2021 Release — \$212 — 88.2 proof / 44.1% ABV — #BA-09.1**

Composed from undisclosed casks selected by the head distiller and filled with an undisclosed distillate recipe, this 12,000 bottle production delivers silky layers of dark fruit and patisserie tones over the elegant, unpeated Laddie core. This modern Black Art release highlights the line’s intention of using mystery casks for nuance, not noise.

• **Bruichladdich Black Art 1989 — Edition 03.1 — 22 Years — 2012 Release — \$164 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #BA-03.1**

Using American oak and select wine-influenced casks (recipe undisclosed), this 2012 release shows the typical dark fruit and cocoa of the Black Arts production over Bruichladdich’s citrus-bright core, finishing long and dry.

• **Bruichladdich Black Art 1990 — Edition 04.1 — 23 Years — 2013 Release — \$182 — 98.4 proof / 49.2% ABV — #BA-04.1**

The start of the fourth Black Arts edition trends toward baked orchard fruit and patisserie tones before shifting into mineral malt and a precise coastal close. More nuance, delicate poise than other releases.

• **Bruichladdich Black Art 1992 — Edition 05.1 — 24 Years — 2016 Release — \$198 — 96.8 proof / 48.4% ABV — #BA-05.1**

This 2016 release of Black Art was the first by distiller Adam Harnett. Here we find dark berry and honeyed grain over fine oak character leading into a dry, sea-sprayed finish. This shows a distinct growth in the series towards richer, mouthfilling character.

• **Bruichladdich Islay Barley 2006 — Dunlossit Farm — 5 Years — 2012 Release — \$38 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #IB-2006-DUN**

The grain for this whisky was grown entirely at Dunlossit Farm, showing a rare farm-to-glass example of Islay whisky. A young, brightly fruited whisky, you will find the quintessential Bruichladdich citrus and saline quality with balanced body and aromas due to extended bottle aging.

• **Octomore 15.1 — 2024 Bottling (5 Years, ex-Bourbon) — \$92 — 118.2 proof / 59.1% ABV / 108.2 ppm — #OC15.1**

Super-heavily peated spirit aged in first-fill Bourbon and re-charred Bourbon casks, then bottled at natural strength. Vanilla custard, sweet char and bright citrus are wrapped in billowing smoke, the palate surprisingly precise for the power. As the series' baseline, 15.1 calibrates peat and oak for the vintage—an anchor against which the other 15s push and pull.

• **Octomore 15.2 — 2024 Bottling (5 Years, American Oak & ex-Cognac) — \$94 — 115.8 proof / 57.9% ABV / 108.2 ppm — #OC15.2**

American-oak maturation meets French ex-Cognac influence (with select red-wine casks), adding honeyed grape, candied citrus and almond to the smoke-forward core. Texture turns plusher without losing the series' laser-line finish. Positioned as the set's aromatic detour, 15.2 shows how a measured Cognac accent can bend Octomore's intensity toward fruit and gloss.

• **Octomore 15.3 — 2024 Bottling (5 Years, ex-Bourbon & Oloroso) — \$99 — 122.6 proof / 61.3% ABV / 307.2 ppm — #OC15.3**

Islay-grown barley from Octomore Farm drives this super-heavily peated vintage, matured five years in first-fill Bourbon casks and Spanish Oloroso hogsheads, then bottled natural strength. Vanilla smoke, grilled stone fruit, and seawater snap meet an unexpectedly precise, sinewy palate. As the 15 series' terroir chapter—and the second most heavily peated Octomore to date—it proves sheer phenols can still speak with balance and place.

• **Octomore 16.1 — 2025 Bottling (5 Years, First-Fill Bourbon) — \$74 — 118.6 proof / 59.3% ABV / 101.4 ppm — #OC16.1**

Distilled in 2019 from 100% Scottish mainland Concerto barley and matured entirely in first-fill bourbon barrels, this edition is bottled near cask strength, unchill-filtered and color-free. Salted caramel, coconut and citrus thread through billowing smoke with a taut, mineral line. As the Series 16 baseline, it calibrates phenols and oak for the set—clarity first, power in reserve.

• **Octomore 16.2 — 2025 Bottling (5 Years, Oloroso & Bordeaux → Madeira & Moscatel) — \$106 — 116.2 proof / 58.1% ABV / 101.4 ppm — #OC16.2**

Distilled in 2019 and matured in Oloroso and Bordeaux casks before a finishing year in Madeira and Moscatel, 16.2 turns the smoke toward dried fruit, toasted nuts and orange-peel lift. The

palate grows plusher without losing the laser-line finish that defines Octomore. Positioned as the aromatic counterpoint to 16.1, it shows wine-led richness framing—not blurring—the island's voice.

• **Octomore 16.3 — 2025 Bottling (Islay Barley; 5 Years, Bourbon • Sauternes • PX) — \$109 — 123.2 proof / 61.6% ABV / 189.5 ppm — #OC16.3**

From Octomore Farm's Islay-grown barley and matured entirely on Islay in bourbon, Sauternes and Pedro Ximénez casks, then bottled at natural strength, unchill-filtered. Sea-spray salinity, grilled apricot and dark peat ash move with sinewy precision. The heaviest-peated of Series 16, 16.3 is the terroir flagship—place, process and phenols converging in a single, elemental statement.

• **Octomore 01.1 — 2002 - 2008 — \$115 — 127.0 proof / 63.5% ABV — 131 PPM — #OCT-01.1**

This is the whisky that started the super heavily peated category. Aged only 5 years in Buffalo Trace bourbon casks and bottled at natural strength, this experiment sought to prove that both extremely peated and young whiskies can show elegance and structure. Phenolic intensity rides vanilla, pear and sea-spray minerality to a long, smoky brick finish.

• **Octomore 10 Years — 1st Limited Edition — 2002 - 2012 — \$135 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — 80.5 PPM — #OCT-10-2012**

This 10 year release uses the same spirit from the 01.1 that was left to mature an additional 5 years in Buffalo Trace ex-Bourbon barrels. The extra maturation softens the famously assertive smoke and develops mineral notes with vanilla, lemon oil, and cocoa threaded through a tidy, sea-sprayed close. As the debut 10 Years, it established that Octomore's power could mature into clarity rather than weight.

• **Octomore 'Futures' — 2002 - 2008 — \$115 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — 80.5 PPM — #OCT-FUT-2002** This bottling was the intermediate release of the 10 year sold only to early supporters of Octomore. The early Octomore power shows in clean soot and brine, steadied by vanilla, lemon oil and a noticeable barley sweetness. More lively and mineral forward than the fully matured 10 year and lower in proof.

• **Octomore 02.2 'Orpheus' — 2004 - 2009 — \$136 — 122.0 proof / 61.0% ABV — 140 PPM — #OCT-02.2**

Finished in Château Pétrus red-wine casks to encourage the development of softer smoke, dark berry and pastry tones, the apparent richness on the palate pulls back to a dry, coastal close. This high phenolic whisky remains a landmark wine-finish experiment that broadened Octomore's stylistic palette.

• **Octomore 04.2 'Comus' — 2006 - 2012 — \$138 — 122.0 proof / 61.0% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-04.2**

Using Chateau d'Yquem wine barrels in its finishing program, the 4.2 presents lush honeyed stone fruit and patisserie over ash-rich peat. The finish is moderately quick and surprisingly dry, showcasing the balance that extremely peated whiskies can obtain in sweet oak.

• **Octomore 06.1 'Scottish Barley' — 2008 - 2013 — \$146 — 114.0 proof / 57.0% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-06.1**

There is no finish on this relatively moderate Octomore bottled at 114 proof. Bright vanilla and

barley sugar shape the smoke into an oil-satin glide, finishing long, saline and dry. The classic '1' control—spirit clarity and disciplined oak as a lens for phenolic power.

• **Octomore 07.1 'Scottish Barley' — 5 Years — 2009 - 2015 — \$157 — 119.0 proof / 59.5% ABV — 208 PPM — #OCT-07.1**

Despite towering peat, lemon oil and vanilla thread through soot and sea air. There is a playful citrus and floral quality despite the density offered by one of the highest phenolic contents produced by Octomore.

• **Octomore 07.3 'Islay Barley' — 2010 - 2015 — \$157 — 126.0 proof / 63.0% ABV — 169 PPM — #OCT-07.3**

Using Spanish red-wine casks from Ribera del Duero in this version, the tannins of Tempranillo influence the grip and barley sweetness in this spirit. Winter chimney, citrus and sea spray from high peat leads to a precise and mineral finish.

• **Octomore 07.4 'Virgin Oak' — 7 Years — 2008 - 2016 — \$159 — 122.4 proof / 61.2% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-07.4**

An exploration in oak treatment that begins with 3 years in ex-Bourbon barrel before transfer to virgin French oak for 2 years. A third transfer back to the original Bourbon barrels for 2 years completes the aging process. The virgin oak brings clove-bright spice, toasted coconut and dark honey to ash-rich smoke and coastal minerality. This wood program became so definitive it set the '.4' line's identity thereafter.

• **Octomore 10 Years — 2nd Limited Edition — 2005 - 2016 — \$217 — 114.6 proof / 57.3% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-10-2016**

Half of the maturation time of this whisky is spent in the traditional ex-Bourbon maturation regimen before being moved to Grenache Blanc wine casks. The additional wine cask aging delivers bright orchard fruit and honeyed malt to ash-rich smoke without adding sweetness. This singular 10 Year Limited Edition refracts Octomore's phenolic depth through fresh white-wine oak.

• **Octomore 08.1 'Masterclass' — 8 Years — 2008 - 2017 — \$198 — 118.6 proof / 59.3% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-08.1**

The ex-Bourbon casks for the 8.1 come from Buffalo Trace, Clermont Springs, Four Roses, Heaven Hill & Jack Daniel's distilleries. In this context the peat's power reads clean and architectural with obvious bourbon notes of vanilla, citrus and sweet grain over ozone and brine.

• **Octomore 08.2 'Masterclass' — 8 Years — 2008 - 2017/18 — \$198 — 116.8 proof / 58.4% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-08.2**

Matured for six years in French Mourvèdre, Sauternes & Austrian sweet-wine casks before finishing for two years in Amarone casks, this rare Octomore example sees no Bourbon influence. Wine-soaked oak adds red-fruit depth and honeyed spice to the smoky coastal verve. A travel-retail showcase for how layered European oak can contour extreme peat.

• **Octomore 08.3 'Masterclass — Islay Barley' — 2011 - 2017 — \$144 — 122.4 proof / 61.2% ABV — 309.1 PPM — #OCT-08.3**

44% of this whisky spends its 6 years of maturation in European wine casks from Pauillac, Ventoux, Rhône and Burgundy. The peat level of 309.1ppm is beyond extraordinary, and yet the palate stays poised: smoked citrus, cocoa and salted almond glide to a crisp, mineral finish.

• **Octomore 09.1 ‘Dialogos’ — 2012 - 2018 — \$139 — 118.2 proof / 59.1% ABV — 156 PPM — #OCT-09.1**

The ex-Bourbon barrels from this elaboration come from Jim Beam, Jack Daniel’s, Clermont, and Old Grand-Dad. The smoke in 9.1 is architectural and clean, offering clear kiln ash, citrus oil and barley sugar notes gliding over a firm, saline finish. The opening ‘Dialogos’ statement proves a 5 year Octomore can prize clarity and place over sheer impact.

• **Octomore 09.3 ‘Dialogos – Islay Barley’ — 2012 - 2018 — \$142 — 125.8 proof / 62.9% ABV — 133 PPM — #OCT-09.3**

Spending a portion of its maturation in sweet wine casks from Rivesaltes and dry red wine casks from the Rhone, this Octomore edition shows a fruity complexity. Bright ash smoke and lemon peel meet subtle red-fruit grip and mineral tension. The finish remains dry and coastal.

• **Octomore 10 Years — 3rd Limited Edition — 2008 - 2018 — \$238 — 113.6 proof / 56.8% ABV — 167 PPM — #OCT-10-2018**

This 10 Year Limited Edition saw a complex blending program that includes 1st-fill Port pipes (37%), 1st-fill Cognac (31%), 2nd-fill ex-American whiskey (20%), plus a parcel that ran 3 year 1st-fill ex-American, 2 year virgin American oak, and 6 year ex-American (12%). The blending here led to a whisky balanced between dark fruit and tobacco with savory smoke aromas.

• **Octomore 12.1 ‘The Impossible Equation’ — 2015 - 2021 — \$110 — 119.8 proof / 59.9% ABV — 130.8 PPM — #OCT-12.1**

High-definition smoke is shaped by vanilla, barley sugar and citrus, finishing taut and sea-sprayed with restrained bourbon oak. As the ‘.1’ baseline, it’s the control that lets the 12.x variants show their hand.

• **Octomore 12.2 ‘The Impossible Equation’ — 2015 - 2021 — \$110 — 114.6 proof / 57.3% ABV — 129.7 PPM — #OCT-12.2**

An 18 month finish in 1st-fill Sauternes casks introduces fruitier aromas to the spirit. Savory, nut-edged smoke and cocoa fold into lifted stone fruit and honeyed grain, the finish precise and dry. A deliberate counterpoint to 12.1, it shows dessert-wine wood used for contour and texture rather than sweetness.

• **Octomore 12.3 ‘The Impossible Equation – Islay Barley’ — 2015 - 2021 — \$119 — 124.2 proof / 62.1% ABV — 118.1 PPM — #OCT-12.3**

Including spirit matured in 1st-fill PX sherry butts from Fernando de Castilla, this single-field Octomore Farm barley shows cereal sweetness and dried-fruit depth through earthy peat and lemon-salt brightness. The long finish closes with mineral dryness.

• **Octomore 13.1 — 5 Years — 2016 - 2022 — \$99 — 118.4 proof / 59.2% ABV — 137.3 PPM — #OCT-13.1**

This iteration of Octomore spent time re-racked into fresh ex-Bourbon barrels. The result is a clean, high-definition smoke joining barley sugar, vanilla custard and apricot in a wide palate with more prominent oak texture.

• **Octomore 13.2 — 5 Years — 2016 - 2022 — \$99 — 116.6 proof / 58.3% ABV — 137.3 PPM — #OCT-13.2**

This whisky was matured entirely in 1st-fill Oloroso sherry butts from Bodegas Rey Fernando de

Castilla. This iteration of the '.2' line is more focused on smoked almond and walnut while cocoa and leather frame the peaty citrus and sea-spray.

• Octomore 13.3 — 2016 - 2022 'Islay Barley' — \$109 — 122.2 proof / 61.1% ABV — 129.3 PPM — #OCT-13.3

A portion of the spirit here was aged in European ex-wine casks from the sweet wine denomination of Rivesaltes and the dry red wine appellation of Ribera del Duero. The sweeter cereal notes of the 13.1 are framed by ash, citrus and salted almond. A gentle grip is provided by the wine casks without accompanying sweetness.

• Octomore 14.1 — 2017 - 2023 — \$90 — 119.2 proof / 59.6% ABV — 128.9 PPM — #OCT-14.1

Clean, high-definition smoke is layered with vanilla, caramel and bright citrus over a taut, saline finish. The clarity of aroma in 14.1 characterizes the lessons learned by the distillers and blenders regarding the ageability of Octomore.

• Octomore 14.2 — 2017 - 2023 — \$98 — 115.4 proof / 57.7% ABV — 128.9 PPM — #OCT-14.2

Oloroso Sherry & Amarone casks start the maturation process before the spirit is married and finished in French oak. Savory, nut-edged smoke folds into red-fruit depth and cocoa, finishing firm and coastal. As with the 14.1, the obvious clarity of aromas in the whisky remain a hallmark of this series.

• Port Charlotte — 10 Year 'Heavily Peated' — \$26 — 100 proof / 50% ABV / 40 ppm — #PC10

A marriage of first-fill Bourbon, second-fill Bourbon, and select wine casks, bottled unchill-filtered and colouring-free at 50%. Lemon shortbread, kiln smoke, and sea-spray sweetness flow with a firm, wax-tipped texture. As Bruichladdich's core peated statement, PC10 anchors the range—farm-to-Islay maturity that bridges Octomore's extremes and the distillery's barley-first philosophy.

• Port Charlotte 10 Year — 2018 Release — \$42 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC-10-2018

Composed from casks matured on Islay: predominantly first-fill American whiskey with parcels of second-fill American and second-fill French wine casks; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. This peated whisky shows a pepper-bright smokiness alongside barley cereal and citrus. The seasoned oak maturation adds gentle vanilla without softening the peat driven line.

• Port Charlotte 10 Year — 'First Edition' (2012) — \$50 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC-10-2012

This first release of the Port Charlotte 10 year saw a complex mix of wood treatment, including ex-Bourbon, Sherry, Tempranillo and French wine casks. Fruit-lit smoke and briny sweetness ride a tidy, tea-leaf-dry finish. This early PC10 showed the house could balance serious peat with textural nuance long before the permanent 50% release arrived.

• Port Charlotte 18 Year — 2024 Limited Release — \$86 — 108.6 proof / 54.3% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC-18-2024

This whisky was matured in refill Sherry casks and refill French-oak wine casks. A uniquely honeyed malt quality develops into polished spice and sea-spray peat. Older wood used in the maturation process adds depth to the palate while maintaining a dry finish.

• **Port Charlotte Islay Barley — \$31 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC-IB**

Ex-Bourbon aged spirit blended with parcels of second-fill virgin oak and second-fill Bordeaux wine contribute a uniquely malty expression. Initial impressions of barley prepare you for oat-biscuit malt, citrus and ash-bright smoke while the wine and virgin-oak add soft grip, hints of spice, and depth of flavor.

• **Port Charlotte MRC:01 2010 — 7 Years — \$40 — 118.4 proof / 59.2% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC-MRC01-2010**

Distilled in 2010, the spirit spends 6 years in first-fill American-whiskey casks and second-fill French wine casks before marriage and finishing in red wine barrels from Chateau Mouton-Rothschild. Red-fruit glow and cocoa fold into kiln-dry peat and sea-salted malt.

• **Port Charlotte PC5 ‘Evolution of Bruichladdich’ — 2001 - 2006 — \$34 — 127.0 proof / 63.5% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC5-05778/6038**

The typical ash-bright peat and lemon oil of Port Charlotte course over vanilla and barley sugar, indicative of the youthful aging in ex-Bourbon barrels before bottling. This whisky expresses with a long, salty, and tea-leaf finish. The first PC release—distilled in 2001 and bottled in 2006—set the series’ blueprint: heavily peated Port Charlotte presented pure and undiluted.

• **Port Charlotte PC6 ‘Cuairt-Beatha’ — 2001 - 2007 — \$45 — 123.2 proof / 61.6% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC6-17526/18000**

This PC release was finished in Madeira cask, chosen for the complex dried-fruit tone it would impart on the modern Islay profile. Iodine-rich smoke, vanilla, and pepper lead into a firm and maritime close. The name of this whisky translates from Scottish Gaelic into ‘Walk of Life.’

• **Port Charlotte PC7 ‘Sin An Doigh Ileach’ — 2001 - 2008 — \$49 — 122.0 proof / 61.0% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC7-19565/24000**

7 years across ex-Bourbon and a measure of Sherry casks, expect uniquely briny smoke and kiln ash to usher in cocoa, citrus peel, and a waxy malt vibe. Named ‘It’s the Islay way,’ PC7 celebrated the people behind Bruichladdich’s revival while tightening the series’ textural polish.

• **Port Charlotte PC8 ‘Ar Dùthchas’ — 2001 - 2009 — \$51 — 121.0 proof / 60.5% ABV — 40 PPM — #PC8-27388/30000**

Spending 8 years exclusively in American oak, the profile runs clean and coastal. Classic Islay flavors of chimney, sea salt and lemon zest are joined by the obvious American oak notes of vanilla with hints of almond appearing before a dry, compact finish. ‘Land of our Heritage’ anchored PC’s identity: elemental peat shaped by time and place rather than heavy finishing.

• **Port Charlotte ‘The Peat Project’ — NAS — \$43 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — 44 PPM — #PC-PP-92**

Composed as a multi-vintage vatting and bottled at 46%, this edition is heavily peated (44 PPM) yet remains brisk and balanced. Baking-spice warmth and barley sweetness weave through medicinal, sea-sprayed smoke. The palate is oil-satin but firmly dry.

Bunnahabhain, located in the northern part of the famous isle of Islay, is ‘the other unpeated one’ (Bruichladdich and Bunnahabhain are considered exceptions to the peated malt character synonymous with Islay) and yet shows some peated iterations as well...Currently owned by Burn Stewart Distillers from South African

Distell group, Bunnahabhain (buna-ha-vain, means 'river mouth') has recently not only beefed up the quality of their malts, but also worked very hard on making sure you're too embarrassed to ask for these impossible-to-say, Gaelic-named expressions! Don't worry and just go by the code #...

• **Bunnahabhain 12 Year — \$33 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #BN12**

Matured predominantly in Sherry casks with Bourbon wood for lift, then bottled unpeated, non-chill-filtered, and natural colour at 46.3%. Sea-spray malt, roasted nuts, and orange peel glide over a supple, lightly oily texture shaped by Bunnahabhain's tall stills. As the core statement of the house, the 12 shows how Islay can whisper: coastal, Sherry-kindled, and quietly generous.

• **Bunnahabhain 18 Year — \$99 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #BN18**

A long marriage of Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks layers cocoa, fig, and saline toffee over gentle, unpeated smoke; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Texture is the story—silken and steady, with oak spice arriving late. Within the core range, the 18 represents house maturity in full voice, refining Bunnahabhain's coastal clarity into sustained resonance.

• **Bunnahabhain 25 Year — \$207 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #BN25**

Predominantly Sherry oak shapes dark chocolate, roasted orange, and berry-glossed malt, bottled at 46.3% with natural colour and no chill filtration. Incense-like peat suggestion (from oak, not smoke) and salted caramel length speak to oxidative calm over a quarter century. As the core range's jewel, it shows how time turns Bunnahabhain's maritime poise into something grand yet measured.

• **Bunnahabhain 1988 — 30 Year (Marsala Cask Finish, Limited) — \$303 — 94.8 proof / 47.4% ABV — #BN1988M**

Distilled 1 December 1988 and bottled 18 January 2019, this unpeated vintage spent decades in oak before a finishing period in four Sicilian Marsala hogsheads, yielding a small outturn at 47.4%. Spiced sultana, leather, and dark chocolate ride a resin-tinged, coastal frame. As a late-2010s limited release, it celebrates Bunnahabhain's Sherry-friendly spirit through a Mediterranean lens without losing Islay line and length.

• **Bunnahabhain 'Stiùireadair' — \$29 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #BNST**

A vatting of first- and second-fill Sherry casks bottled unpeated, non-chill-filtered, and natural colour, Stiùireadair presents the house's Sherry-led style at a generous strength. Caramelized nuts, toffee, and briny malt flow with easy weight. Introduced as a NAS companion to the 12, it widened access to Bunnahabhain's Sherry-coastal signature without diluting the distillery's quietly textural identity.

• **Bunnahabhain — Fèis Ìle 2024 Ruby Port Cask Finish — 14 Year — \$61 — 117.4 proof / 58.7% ABV — #BNFI24**

Matured 11 years in Bourbon casks, then finished 3 years in Ruby Port hogsheads, this festival release shows Bunna's unpeated spirit draped in cherry compote, dark chocolate, and peppered berry. The Port's red-fruit gloss rides a coastal, nutty core with lingering spice. As the 2024 Fèis Ìle bottling, it frames the house's Sherry-friendly style through a vivid, Mediterranean-tinted lens.

• **Bunnahabhain — 2007 Signatory Vintage — 12 Year (Single Cask) — \$35 — 116.4 proof / 58.2% ABV — #BN07SV**

Distilled in 2007 and bottled in 2019 from a first-fill Sherry butt (cask #584), this independent single cask comes natural colour and unchill-filtered. Walnut treacle, roasted orange, and sea-

spray malt unfold with cask-strength vigor. It's a snapshot of Bunna's unpeated richness through Signatory's lens—one cask, no camouflage, the sherry leading without drowning the coastline.

• **Bunnahabhain — 15 Year Murray McDavid (Margaux Finish) — \$39 — 117.4 proof / 58.7% ABV — #BN15MM**

Long American-oak maturation sets the frame before a Bordeaux turn: a Margaux wine-cask finish that adds cassis, cedar, and polished tannin to Bunna's saline sweetness. Distilled 2008, bottled 2024 in the Benchmark series, it reads like Left Bank meets Sound of Islay. A graceful detour from the usual Sherry path, showing how red-wine structure can lift texture without muting place.

Caol Ila is such an easy-to-love single malt! Located on Islay and owned by Diageo, Caol Ila (Gaelic for 'sound of Islay') produces a peated malt, with rare unpeated expressions, mostly matured in ex-Bourbon barrels. The fairly large production explains a steady stream of official releases, along with a generous amount of independent bottlings, but most of the distillery's output is still used in the Johnnie Walker blends, notably 'Black' and the pure malt 'Green label'. Mild peat (35 ppm on the barley, 12 ppm on the newmake), floral notes and a clean palate are the main attributes of this great malt.

• **Caol Ila — 9 Year Lady of the Glen (PX Octave Finish) — \$36 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV — #CI9LG**

Initially in a refill Bourbon hogshead, then finished in a Pedro Ximénez sherry octave (cask #303575/4); natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Smoked dates, espresso, and brine charge forward with octave-driven intensity. Distilled February 18, 2014; bottled February 2, 2024, this cask-strength outturn shows how small-format finishing can concentrate Caol Ila's herbal smoke into a darker, punchier register.

• **Caol Ila — 12 Year — \$24 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CI12**

A classic marriage of refill American oak that lets the distillate lead: lemon oil, olive brine, sweet malt, and clean chimney smoke glide over a gently oily palate. As Diageo's north-Islay reference, the 12 has taught generations what 'balanced peat' means—expressive but never loud, maritime yet bright, and endlessly versatile across the table and the bar.

• **Caol Ila — 12 Year 'Single Malts of Scotland' USA Exclusive — \$29 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #CI12SMOS**

A small-batch vatting for the U.S. market at a higher bottling strength, selected from a handful of complementary casks to spotlight citrus, kiln smoke, and coastal herbs with extra drive. The Reserve Casks approach respects Caol Ila's clarity while dialing up texture and length. It's the core profile seen through an independent bottler's prism—familiar lines, sharper focus.

• **Caol Ila — 31 Year (1988, Gordon & MacPhail) — \$198 — 98.8 proof / 49.4% ABV — #CI31GM**

Distilled in 1988 and bottled three decades later under Gordon & MacPhail's Connoisseurs Choice, this long-rested Caol Ila comes from refill oak that lets lemon oil, beeswax, and sea-spray smoke stay luminous. A gentle, old-school phenolic thread runs through polished oak and chamomile. As a mature independent vintage, it shows the distillery's famed clarity stretched into serenity—Islay's cleanest peat, aged into poetry rather than power.

• **Caol Ila — 2008–2018, 10 Year (Signatory Vintage, Hogshead) — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CI10SV**

From a classic hogshead, bottled un-chill-filtered at 46%, this 2008→2018 vintage keeps things elemental: sweet kiln smoke, lemon barley, and olive brine over a lightly oily palate. The restrained oak lets the herbal, citric core read crystal-clear. As a 'UCF' style single-vintage, it frames Caol Ila's textbook balance—precise, bright, and remarkably versatile behind the bar or as a benchmark sip.

• **Caol Ila — 2007–2019, 12 Year (Signatory, Cask Strength Hogshead #307337) — \$29 — cask strength — #CI12SVCS**

Drawn from a single refill hogshead (#307337) and bottled by Signatory un-chill-filtered at natural strength, this 12-year tilts the profile darker: sootier smoke, espresso rind, and salted licorice around lemon peel. The higher proof carries a denser mid-palate without smothering maritime lift. As a companion to Signatory's 46% style, it proves how proof alone can pivot Caol Ila from lithe to thunderous.

• **Caol Ila 12 Year — The Single Malts of Scotland 'Reserve Casks' (USA) — \$34 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #SMS-RC-2010USA**

Distillate from Caol Ila selected by Oliver Chilton for independent bottler Elixir Distillers, this USA exclusive bottling was produced in 2010 and matured in six re-charred bourbon barrels. Smoky BBQ notes and rich bourbon fruit complement the bright ocean brine and clean Caol Ila smoke. Natural coloring and non-chill filtered.

• **Caol Ila 13 Year — Gordon & MacPhail 'Connoisseurs Choice' — \$39 — 106.8 proof / 53.4% ABV — #G&M-CC-313567**

A small-release single barrel whisky bottled by Gordon & MacPhail. Distilled in 2010 and matured in a refill bourbon hogshead for 13 years with a release of only 165 bottles. The spirit remains taut with lemon oil, sea spray and mineral smoke over a neat, tea-leaf finish. This is a textbook example of the Gordon & MacPhail Connoisseurs Choice series, showcasing structure over sweetness. Natural coloring and non-chill filtered.

• **Caol Ila 18 Year — Distillery Bottling — \$71 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CI-18-OB**

Retrained oak influence highlights the distillery style toward elegance. Modern and integrated soft coastal peat, citrus peel, honeyed malt and a dry, mineral close. Sitting between the 12 and 25, it's the core range's 'quiet middle child,' prized for balance rather than brawn.

• **Caol Ila 18 Year — Douglas Laing 'Old Malt Cask' — \$89 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #DL-OMC-9913**

A single refill hogshead distilled in 1994 and bottled in 2013 for independent bottler Old Malt Cask. The OMC cut keeps coastal peat vivid while the refill cask frames grapefruit, cocoa and dry oak. 328 bottles released with natural color and non-chill filtration.

• **Caol Ila 1984 — 'Hotel Falster' (Creative Whisky Co.) — Bottled 2007 — \$148 — 105.4 proof / 52.7% ABV — #FALSTER-1984**

This 1984 production was bottled after 23 years of aging by David Stirk's Creative Whisky Company. A limited production exclusively for Denmark's Hotel Falster, the maturation program of this whisky was not disclosed. Mature Islay smoke threads lemon oil and waxy malt with a dry, saline finish.

• **Caol Ila 30 Year Old — 2014 Special Releases — \$387 — 110.2 proof / 55.1% ABV — #CI-30-OB-2014**

A special long-matured release from the 1983 vintage aged in refill American & European oak casks. Bottled at cask strength, you will find maritime smoke, wax, and citrus braced by vanilla and almond from gentle, well-seasoned wood.

• **Caol Ila 32 Year Old — Distiller's Art (Hunter Laing) — \$468 — 101.8 proof / 50.9% ABV — #CI-32-DA-1984**

Aged in a single refill hogshead for 32 years before its bottling at cask strength in 2016. The hogshead keeps the peat line fine and mineral, letting orchard fruit and honey glide over gentle ash and brine. A rare, quietly powerful old Islay from Hunter Laing's single-cask 'Distiller's Art' series. Natural coloring and non-chill filtered.

• **Caol Ila 33 Year Old — Xtra Old Particular, cask 11620 — \$495 — 99.6 proof / 49.8% ABV — #CI-33-XOP-11620**

Another long-aged Caol Ila release based on the 1984 vintage and matured in a single refill hogshead, this whisky was bottled in February 2017 at its cask strength. A long, precise aging folds beach bonfire smoke into lemon oil, seashells, and almond, with a dry, poised finish.

• **Caol Ila 'Distillers Edition' — C-si; 7-471 — 2011 Release — \$56 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CI-DE-7-471**

The Distiller's Edition from Caol Ila is known for taking single-vintage distillate and finishing in a wine wood cask. In this example, spirit from 1998 was initially matured in refill oak cask before finishing in Moscatel-seasoned cask wood. Gentle dried-fruit warmth and cocoa from the sweet wine wood finish combine with Caol Ila's briny peat and citrus.

• **Caol Ila 'Distillers Edition' — C-si; 7-480 — 2020 Release — \$44 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CI-DE-7-480**

Another example of spirit aged 12 years with a finish in Moscatel wine casks, this whisky presents brighter and lighter apricot and orange-peel lift over clean coastal smoke and mineral malt. More modern and highlighting the clarity of the spirit through its maturation.

• **Caol Ila 12 Year — Creetown/Whisky Broker 'Cree' — Cask #318247 — 2010 → 2023 — \$31 — 104.2 proof / 52.1% ABV — #CI-12-CREE-318247**

Finished in Australian Shiraz barriques for 18 months before bottling after 12 years of total aging, this independent bottling adds distinctive notes of strawberry compote, pepper, and cocoa to Caol Ila's lean, citrus presentation. 302 bottles were produced with the spirit's natural color and non-chill-filtering.

Finlaggan is 'just a brand', i.e. not a real distillery. However, the whisky is real, and really well-priced for a great quality. The name of the actual producer is not disclosed, and it seems to borrow elements from Laphroaig, but also Lagavulin, maybe even Ardbeg...regardless, this is probably the best value in the world of peated malts!

Islay Boys is currently an independent bottler based in Islay created by whisky aficionados Mackay Smith and Donald MacKenzie. The company's current bottlings include whisky purchased from Islay distilleries, but the first cask of their

new Laggan Bay Distillery (opened with support from Ian McLeod) was filled on April 2nd, 2026. Their offerings include Single Malt, Blended Malt, and Grain whiskies.

• **Islay Boys 'Bàrelegs' — Islay Single Malt — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #IBBL**

Primarily ex-Bourbon oak keeps the spirit's coastal heart in focus: vanillaed malt, citrus pith, and dry chimney smoke with a clean, modern snap. Bottled at 46% for texture, it's deliberately distillery-unspecified—an indie take that prizes drinkability over mystique. Within today's Islay landscape, Bàrelegs stands as a friendly compass point: recognizable island character, straightforward wood, and an easygoing, no-secrets pour.

Kilchoman was up until recently the newest distillery on Islay, bringing its count to 8, but Ardnahoe was just built...anyway, this is a cute distillery malting some of its barley sourced from the Rockside farm and relying on the Port Ellen Maltings for the bulk of their needs. Using mostly ex-Bourbon barrels for maturation, Kilchoman was, when they released their 3 year old in late 2008, the first Scottish single malt distillery to prove that a malt could be of great quality in its young age, even when dealing with Islay's climate! The late Dr Jim Swan, 'the wood doctor' put in place the right wood policy...

• **Kilchoman 'Machir Bay' — ex-Bourbon & Oloroso Sherry — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #KMMB**

A marriage led by first-fill Bourbon casks with a measured parcel of Oloroso for depth, bottled at 46% natural colour and un-chill-filtered. Lemon shortbread, sea salt, and fresh kiln smoke glide over a lightly waxy palate. As Kilchoman's signature, Machir Bay defines the farm-to-glass house style—youthful, vivid peat shaped by careful cask synergy rather than heavy finishing.

• **Kilchoman 'Sanaig' — ex-Bourbon & Sherry Casks — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #KMSN**

Here the dial tips toward Sherry: a larger Oloroso component layers plum, cocoa, and toasted almond over the bourbon-matured citrus-smoke core; bottled at 46%, natural and NCF. The result is plusher and duskier than Machir Bay, yet still briskly maritime. Within Kilchoman's core range, Sanaig reads as the richer sibling—Islay peat framed by wine-led sweetness, without losing the distillery's youthful lift.

• **Kilchoman — 15 Year Oloroso Sherry Cask (Cask Strength) — \$85 — 103.6 proof / 51.8% ABV — #KM15OLO**

Fully matured in an Oloroso Sherry cask and bottled at natural strength, this rare age statement from a young farm distillery shows peat in slow motion: ember smoke, Medjool date, roasted hazelnut, and leathered citrus. The single-cask concentration gives weight without heaviness. As a milestone Kilchoman, it connects the farm's early vintages to today—proof that patience suits even the island's freshest voice.

Lagavulin is clearly an iconic Islay distillery, showcasing what Islay is known for: generosity, strong character, bold and sweet at the same time: just like its people, the Ileachs (try to say it). It became so popular (remember when the 16-

year-old was found in every bar and restaurant throughout the world?) that the 'hollow by the mill' malt is now only released as such instead of feeding the Johnnie Walker blends. Except for the yearly Distillers Edition release and occasional special editions, Lagavulin is essentially matured in ex-Bourbon barrels, but it has body and weight due to the very slow distillation protocol it seems. The peated barley (35 ppm) comes from neighbor port Ellen Maltings and leads to an 18 ppm-light newmake spirit. The future will tell if the new way of burning peat (pulverized vs. bricks) in the kiln has an impact on flavor! Pierrick Guillaume is the new Distillery Manager.

• **Lagavulin 8 Year — \$25 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #LG8**

Matured in ex-Bourbon casks and bottled at a bracing 48%, this youthful Lagavulin channels lemon oil, white pepper, and dry kiln smoke over a lithe, saline core. The quickened maturation keeps the peat bright and the malt grainy and clean. First revived for the 200th anniversary, the 8 rekindles a historic age statement and shows how worm-tub weight can still read nimble at Lagavulin.

• **Lagavulin 11 Year 'Nick Offerman Edition' — 2024 Release (Caribbean Rum Cask Finish) — \$28 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LGNOR24**

After long ex-Bourbon maturation, selected parcels take a turn through Caribbean rum casks, folding molasses, grilled pineapple, and toffee into Lagavulin's savory smoke. The finish adds glow rather than sugar, keeping the coastline in view. As a chapter in the Offerman collaboration, it explores a sweeter dialect of the house style while honoring the slow-run stills and steady, phenolic depth beneath.

• **Lagavulin 16 Year — \$43 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LG16**

A classic marriage led by ex-Bourbon casks gives incense-like peat, dark tea, and baked citrus over quietly waxy weight from worm-tub condensation. Oak sits back; the distillate leads. As the cornerstone of the Classic Malts era, the 16 defined modern Islay for many drinkers—proof that power needn't shout when time and texture can speak in measured tones.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — Double Matured in PX-Seasoned Casks — \$42 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LGDE**

Core Lagavulin spirit, long in American oak, receives a second maturation in Pedro Ximénez-seasoned casks, knitting treacle, fig, and polished spice to the maritime smoke. The texture turns silkier, the finish deeper, without dulling the iodine-salt line. Part of Diageo's vintage-coded Distillers Edition series, it offers a Sherry-lensed reading of Lagavulin—same contours, warmer light.

• **Lagavulin 10 Year — Travel Retail Exclusive — \$79 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-10TR**

A rare bottling from Lagavulin that is aged ex-bourbon and rejuvenated American oak barrels in an undisclosed order and bottled at 43% ABV. Uniquely chili-flecked peat, rock salt and toasted almond ride over lemon-bright malt with a crisp, dry finish. A leaner, high-clarity Lagavulin that showcases active bourbon wood without dulling the coastal line.

• **Lagavulin 11 Year — Offerman Edition (2019) — \$35 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LAG-11OFF19**

This special edition whisky was aged in a combination of first-fill ex-bourbon and shaved/re-charred ex-Bourbon casks to induce a rich bacon fat and vanilla quality. Briny Lagavulin smoke

and ash with peaty citrus notes lead to a slightly tannic finish. The inaugural Offerman collaboration re-centers Lagavulin's power through this lively, bourbon-led structure.

• **Lagavulin 11 Year — Offerman Edition 'Charred Oak Cask' (2022) — \$39 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LAG-11OFF-COC**

Using heavily charred ex-bourbon barrels in addition to shaved/re-charred American and European red wine casks, this Offerman Edition leans into smoky mocha, dark oak notes, and campfire. The finish is firm and savory with saline peat playing a supporting role.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2024 'Fireside Tales' — \$85 — 114.8 proof / 57.4% ABV — #LAG-12SR24**

This bottling leans more heavily into ex-bourbon and refill oak casks than traditional Lagavulin releases, providing a noticeably sweeter palate. Aromas of thick toffee and vanilla are pulled taut by aromatic spice, hints of coconut and familiar kiln smoke.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — 'Friends of the Classic Malts' (European Oak) — \$82 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #LAG-12-1995-FOCM-01220**

After distillation in 1995, this whisky spend the next 12 years in first-fill European-oak sherry casks. As a result, the spirit develops a richer wood quality framing tarry peat with dark cocoa, orange peel and black-tea dryness. Despite the added richness, the whisky remains structured with iodine, sea spray and mineral smoke. A scarce, sherry-led Lagavulin 12, it stands as a bridge between classic Distiller's Edition sherry tones and the purist 12-year style.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — White Horse Distillers era (1995 Bottling) — \$95 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-12-WH-01212**

Matured in refill oak and bottled in 1995 under the White Horse Distillers imprint, this vintage 12 year shows kiln smoke, lemon oil and waxy malt on a tea-leaf-dry frame. The lean oak regime keeps the maritime core crystalline while soft tannin reins in sweetness. Historically significant as the pre-Classic Malts incarnation of Lagavulin 12, it captures late-20th-century house character before the annual cask-strength run defined the modern template.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2011 — \$73 — 115 proof / 57.5% ABV — #LAG-12SR-2011**

12 years in refill American-oak hogsheads, bottled at natural cask strength in 2011 to spotlight spirit over cask. Peaty smoke and citrus peel establish a weighty palate while seasoned bourbon wood adds just a brush of vanilla to a brisk, saline finish. Among the clearest early statements of the revived 12 Year Cask Strength line, it set expectations for precision, dryness, and uncompromised phenolic clarity in the series.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2016 (200th Anniversary) — \$96 — 115.4 proof / 57.7% ABV — #LAG-12SR-2016**

Matured exclusively in refill American-oak hogsheads, this 12 Year old whisky celebrates the bicentennial anniversary of the distillery with a wider texture and mild sweetness. Peppery smoke, citrus rind and ocean water meet subtle toffee and vanilla from lively refill stock, finishing long and maritime-dry.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2017 — \$93 — 113.0 proof / 56.5% ABV — #LAG-12SR-2017**

Less broad than the previous Special Release, this vintage runs linear and exact. Refill American oak hogsheads deliver bonfire ash, lemon oil and sea spray over a clean, articulate

mineral spine with little oak influence. This is widely cited when defining what the Lagavulin 12 Cask Strength should be: spirit-led, coastal, and fiercely precise.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2018 — \$91 — 115.6 proof / 57.8% ABV — #LAG-12SR18**

The 2018 Special Release is the first step towards and a reference point for the Lagavulin 12 Year Cask Strength. Refill wood keeps the spirit structured with kiln smoke, lemon oil, and sea spray over a mineral backbone. The oak on this spirit adds vanillin which rounds the edges without adding weight.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2017 ‘Peeled Label’ — \$54 — 113.0 proof / 56.5% ABV — #LAG-12SR17**

Ashy bonfire smoke, citrus peel, and coastal salinity lead with seasoned oak giving just enough sweetness to balance the taut, dry close. A widely admired CS year that let the distillate sing with minimal oak imprint.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2022 ‘The Flames of the Phoenix’ — \$56 — 114.6 proof / 57.3% ABV — #LAG-12SR22**

The incorporation of virgin American oak on top of refill bourbon hogsheads lends toasted coconut, baking spice, and mocha to the classic Lagavulin structure. Expect a broader palate with more wood forward qualities on this distinctive production.

• **Lagavulin 12 Year — Special Releases 2023 ‘The Ink of Legends’ — \$56 — 112.8 proof / 56.4% ABV — #LAG-12SR23**

A finish in Don Julio Añejo tequila casks adds herb-tinged smoke, lime zest, and kosher salt with a subtle agave vegetal echo. It’s the series’ first tequila-cask experiment, refracting the 12 Year Cask Strength identity through a lean, savory lens while preserving the distillery’s hallmark intensity.

• **Lagavulin 16 Year — Late-1980s White Horse era — \$75 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-16WH80s**

Official bottling under White Horse Distillers, matured in an undisclosed seasoned oak program, and bottled at 43%. The DNA of Lagavulin can be seen in the camphor and kiln smoke, waxy citrus, black tea, and dry, coastal minerality. This late-’80s iteration helped define Lagavulin’s international reputation, especially in early Italian and U.S. markets.

• **Lagavulin 25 Year — ‘Diageo Special Releases’ — \$265 — 114.4 proof / 57.2% ABV — #LAG-25SR2002**

Another rare example of Lagavulin aged exclusively in sherry oak casks, this 1977 distillate was bottled in 2002 with a 9,000 bottle run. Ebony-tinged smoke, dark cocoa and dried orange ride a taut, mineral finish. This is the first modern 25-year Lagavulin and a cornerstone of the early Special Releases era.

• **Lagavulin 25 Year — 200th Anniversary (2016) — \$270 — 103.4 proof / 51.7% ABV — #LAG-25ANN2016**

This replica of the Diageo Special Release was produced as a tribute to Lagavulin’s distillery managers. Exclusively Sherry cask matured, this whisky has dense treacle, walnut, and roast citrus threaded with iodine and kiln smoke for a long, sea-braced close. A commemorative chapter that tied two centuries of stewardship to a resolutely old-school profile.

• **Lagavulin 30 Year — ‘Diageo Special Releases’ — \$510 — 105.2 proof / 52.6% ABV — #LAG-30SR2006**

Long maturation in refill American & European oak, distilled in 1976 and bottled in 2006 at natural strength; **2,340 bottles** (EU release). Waxy citrus, almond and polished old oak frame measured tar and brine, finishing poised and bone-dry. The oldest official Lagavulin of its time, it defined the distillery’s mature voice for a generation.

• **Lagavulin 9 Year — ‘Game of Thrones: House Lannister’ — \$34 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LAG-9GOT**

Created as a collaborative marketing effort for the HBO series Game of Thrones. Bright, ashy peat and lemon oil meet vanilla and toasted cereal, closing clean and saline. This is an interesting young example of Lagavulin's style.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1991-2007 — lgv.4/495 — \$68 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1991**

Characterized by a finish in PX Sherry casks during its maturation, the Distiller's Edition is the template of Lagavulin's sherry cask aging program. Licorice, caramel, tea leaf and polished oak fold into tarry, coastal smoke without a sweet finish. Very old school in its balance.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1993 - 2009 — lgv.4/497 — \$64 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1993**

More fruit driven than the first DE release, the 2009 brings raisin, cocoa and orange-oil glow around tarry, iodine-laced peat, tightening the finish neat and dry. Often considered the most complete of the Distiller’s Editions as smoke and sherry fruit find a unique balance.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1994 - 2010 — lgv.4/498 — \$60 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1994**

A unique expression of Lagavulin showing uncharacteristic tropical fruit and lively aromas before trending into cocoa and orange peel. The finish is long but dry, highlighting a clean and intentional whisky.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1995 - 2011 — lgv.4/499 — \$58 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1995**

The most Sherry forward presentation, walnut, dark chocolate, raisin, and dried citrus shout through campfire smoke and sea spray. It keeps a tight and clean finish despite the apparent richness of the spirit.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1996 - 2012 — lgv.4/500 — \$55 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1996**

The most mineral-driven and clean of the Distiller’s Editions, you can expect soot, lemon zest and sea salt with hints of PX Sherry involvement in the background. Quite spirit first with delicate palate and more typical Lagavulin qualities.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1997 - 2013 — lgv.4/502 — \$53 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1997**

Here the PX is vivid yet tidy. Dark cherry, prune and brown-sugar drive a lightly sweet ash, seaweed and iodine mid-palate. Leathery dryness on the finish keeps the sweetness in check. Long, coastal and complex, it’s one of the richest early-2010s DEs without losing the mineral Lagavulin line.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 1998 - 2014 — lgv.4/503 — \$52 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-1998**

This release offers a moderate body with raisin and citrus oil warmth on a lingering finish of tarry peat and lemon rind. It is an interesting counterpoint to the 1995 and 1996 distillates, sitting between the two in richness while keeping the finish clean.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 2000 - 2016 — lgv.4/505 — \$51 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-2000**

Menthol and cigar-box aromas stand out against the classic Lagavulin notes with cocoa edging a drier finish. The PX influence is present and obvious, though deliberately restrained.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 2001 - 2017 — lgv.4/506 — \$49 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-2001**

Golden-raisin lift and soft pastry tones frame briny smoke, iodine and cooling menthol, reading cleaner and less sugary than the fuller '95/'97 style. More modern in style with higher clarity and focus on the mineral finish.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 2002 - 2018 — lgv.4/507 — \$47 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-2002**

Marmalade and subtle licorice qualify the aromas before cocoa folds into a long and typical Lagavulin finish. It's a crisp, mineral-leaning DE that reads spirit-first,

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 2003 - 2019 — lgv.4/508 — \$45 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-2003**

Again displaying cocoa, marmalade and a touch of licorice this edition drinks cleaner and more mineral than early-2010s counterparts. The sherry is more contour than theme, intended for its quiet depth of flavor in this release.

• **Lagavulin Distillers Edition — 2006 - 2021 — lgv.4/510 — \$44 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LAG-DE-2006**

Showing slightly more raisin and a wider mid-palate with smoky cocoa and lemon zest before the whisky pulls back to a neat, tea-leaf-dry close. This recent release of the Distiller's Edition is indicative of the line's intended profile.

Laphroaig triggers this 'love or hate' reaction...a unique character on this 'most richly flavoured of all Scotch whiskies' makes it the best selling Islay malt! Allegedly Great Britain's new King's very favorite too...Laphroaig indeed shows a much unusual profile of iodine, cold campfire and liquorice, medicinal peat...Just like its sister distillery on Islay, Bowmore (both belong to the group Beam Suntory), Laphroaig has its own malting facility, and uses local peat in the kiln (50 ppm) which provides for about 20% of its needs; the rest is bought in at a lower phenolic content (35 ppm). The big chunk of the maturation is done in ex-Bourbon barrels with a dominance of Maker's Mark casks. Following the amazing John Campbell in the position of Distillery Manager, Barry MacAffer is now at the helm of this iconic whisky producer. If you're fond of Laphroaig, you can become a 'friend of Laphroaig' and 'own' your square foot of Islay peat! If you are scared of trying Laphroaig, try the blend it plays a major role in...Teacher's!

• **Laphroaig 10 Year — \$27 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LP10**

Matured in ex-Bourbon barrels and bottled at 43%, this iconic Islay pours medicinal peat, seaweed broth, and vanilla-sweet malt with a briny snap. The long, cool ferment and heavy kiln reek deliver that unmistakable iodine-smoke while oak stays supportive. As the house's banner statement, it defines Laphroaig's dialect—assertive yet precise, the reference point from which every variant departs.

• **Laphroaig 10 Year Cask Strength — Batch 016 — \$33 — 117 proof / 58.5% ABV — #LP10CS16**

Drawn straight from ex-Bourbon barrels, uncut and typically non-chill-filtered, Batch 016 delivers furnace-heat peat wrapped in sweet grain, lemon oils, and vanilla char. Water teases out coconut and brine while keeping the medicinal core intact. The batch-by-batch approach preserves Laphroaig 10's essence at full volume—an annual reminder that the distillery's character is built to carry power gracefully.

• **Laphroaig 10 Year — Sherry Oak Finish — \$31 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #LP10SOF**

Ten years in ex-Bourbon barrels, then a finishing spell in Oloroso sherry oak, gives a richer reading of the house style: dried fruit and heathered honey woven through briny smoke and sweet malt. The sherry wood rounds Laphroaig's medicinal edges without muting them. As a permanent sister to the classic 10, it shows how a measured finish can add warmth while keeping the coastline in view.

• **Laphroaig 'Càirdeas' — 2023 White Port & Madeira (Cask Strength) — \$31 — 104.6 proof / 52.3% ABV — #LPCD23**

A festival one-off built from parcels matured in white Port and Madeira casks (with the balance favoring Madeira), bringing almond, citrus peel, and stone-fruit lift to peat and seaweed broth. The texture stays bright and saline, the finish gently sweet. As the 2023 Friends release, it explores a white-wine lens on Laphroaig—a rare, elegant counterpoint to the brand's darker sherry experiments.

• **Laphroaig 'Càirdeas' — 2024 Cask Favourites, 10 Year (Cask Strength) — \$32 — 104.8 proof / 52.4% ABV — #LPCD24**

A 10-year assemblage referencing two fan classics—Triple Wood and PX Cask—so the bourbon, quarter-cask, and sherry influences all speak at once. Treacle and toasted nut glide over iodine-rich smoke, with citrus freshness keeping pace. As the 2024 Friends bottling, it's less a detour than a synthesis: a decade of Laphroaig shaped by the casks drinkers loved most.

• **Laphroaig 'Quarter Cask' — \$25 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #LPQC**

First matured in ex-Bourbon barrels, then re-racked into small quarter casks to amplify wood contact and texture. Vanilla, coconut, and sweet malt ride alongside the signature medicinal peat, finishing with a clean, saline snap. Reviving a nineteenth-century practice, Quarter Cask shows how old logistics can become modern style—more oak intimacy without losing house clarity.

• **Laphroaig 25 Year — (Cask Strength) — \$232 — cask strength — #LP25**

Long maturation in a balance of Oloroso sherry butts and Bourbon barrels softens the peat to incense and sea-polished oak, with citrus oils and honeyed malt in slow release. The palate is supple and quietly powerful, finishing with iodine and sweet smoke. As an annual cask-strength release, the 25 presents Laphroaig at full composure—age and ocean speaking in tandem.

• **Laphroaig 27 Year — 1989–2017 Limited Edition — \$180 — 83.4 proof / 41.7% ABV — #LP27**

Refill hogsheads formed the base, with portions further matured in first-fill Bourbon barrels and refill quarter casks before being married and bottled in 2017. Tobacco leaf, tropical fruit, and iodine interplay with gently smoldering peat, the texture turning silkier than the younger range. As a late-vintage statement, it captures pre-1990s stock in a luminous, gracefully coastal register.

• **Laphroaig 28 Year — 2018 Limited Edition (Sherry Cask Finish) — \$197 — 88.8 proof / 44.4% ABV — #LP28-2018**

Drawn from quarter casks, Bourbon barrels and Oloroso butts for 27 years, then married for a final 12 months in Sherry wood before bottling in 2018. Polished oak, grilled dates and sea-spray iodine move in measured waves, the peat turned incense-soft by time. One of the distillery's oldest modern statements, it reframes Laphroaig's intensity as composure—age and finish in deliberate counterpoint.

• **Laphroaig 'Select' — Final Maturation in New American Oak — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #LPSEL**

A blend of house styles first matured in Oloroso, PX-seasoned hogsheads and first-fill Bourbon/quarter casks, then finished in virgin American oak to brighten spice and vanilla. Medicinal peat and seaweed sit beneath red-fruit lift and citrus. As the brand's gateway expression, Select shows how wood architecture—not age—can soften Laphroaig's edges without losing its unmistakable dialect.

• **Laphroaig 'Lore' — \$29 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #LPLOR**

Built from parcels matured in **ex-Bourbon barrels and quarter casks**, with a **final maturation in large European-oak Oloroso sherry butts**. Cocoa, ash and briny sweetness thread through firm, savory peat. Conceived as a living history lesson, Lore gathers house eras into one glass—recognizably Laphroaig, yet shaded darker and silkier than the core ten.

• **Laphroaig 'Elements L 1.0' — 2023 Release (100% Islay Malt) — \$52 — 117.2 proof / 58.6% ABV — #LPEL10**

Made with two mash-tun sizes and both cloudy and semi-cloudy worts, then matured entirely in ex-Bourbon casks before bottling at natural strength. Charred pineapple, peppery smoke and liquorice ride a salty, oily frame. As the inaugural Elements bottling—and rare 100% Islay malt—it opens a new chapter where production variables, not cask theatrics, steer the conversation.

• **Laphroaig 15 Year — Distiller's Art (Langside) - 2016 — \$84 — 114.4 proof / 57.2% ABV — #LAPH-DA-2001**

15 years in a single refill sherry butt and bottled at cask strength. 610 bottles were produced of this 2001 single-cask whisky. Medicinal peat and seaweed are framed by walnut and cocoa delivered by the Sherry wood. Natural color, non-chill-filtered

• **Laphroaig 33 Year — 'Strong Characters: Chapter 1 – Donald Johnston' - 2024 — \$355 — 87.6 proof / 43.8% ABV — #LAPH-33-SC**

With extensive time in ex-Bourbon and European oak Sherry hogsheads, the spirit develops savory peat and brine aromas laced with crème-brûlée and gentle dried-fruit tones. The oak presents polished and steady. This new series from Laphroaig honors its formative figures; this

chapter nods to founder Donald Johnston while presenting an elegant, dessert-tinged take on old Laphroaig.

• **Laphroaig Càirdeas — Port Wood Edition (2013) — \$46 — 102.6 proof / 51.3% ABV — #LAPH-CAR-PW13**

This limited edition release for the Friends of Laphroaig and Fèis Ile spends a finishing 16 months in Port pipes to add jammy plum and orange-oil influences to Laphroaig's typical iodine-rich smoke and sea spray. This unique expression of the house style improves on the diversity of their portfolio without diluting the spirit's identity.

• **Laphroaig 17 Year — Francis Mallmann Limited Edition — \$74 — 109.8 proof / 54.9% ABV — #LAPH-17-FM**

Finished in a white Madeira cask selected with Patagonian fire-chef Francis Mallmann, this whisky is bottled at a robust cask strength. Smoked honey, grilled stone-fruit, and a subtle richness from the Madeira ride savory peat and sea salt into a mineral, ember-warm close. A culinary-minded collaboration that reframes Laphroaig's smoke through a bright, flame-kissed lens.

• **Laphroaig 34 Year — 'The Ian Hunter Story: Book 4 – Malt Master' — 1987 → 2021 — \$365 — 92.4 proof / 46.2% ABV — #LAPH-34-IH4**

Distilled in 1987 and aged in both ex-bourbon barrels and first-fill European oak Oloroso sherry casks, this bottling was released to celebrate the floor malting and oak maturation programs established by Ian Hunter, the last of the Johnston family to own Laphroaig. Waxy citrus and honeyed malt meet polished peat and walnut-spice, with the finish precise and sea-braced.

• **Laphroaig 28 Year — 2018 Limited Edition — \$188 — 88.8 proof / 44.4% ABV — #LAPH-28-2018**

Composed from quarter casks, ex-bourbon barrels, and Oloroso sherry butts before being married for 12 months in sherry casks, the extended wood mix brings waxy citrus, honeyed malt and polished spice around medicinal peat and sea-spray. It finishes firm and dry. Bottled at natural strength, this rare bottling broadens the house style.

• **Laphroaig Elements 2.0 — 2024 — \$62 — 119.2 proof / 59.6% ABV — #LAPH-ELM-2.0**

Built to showcase an extended fermentation of 115 hours (nearly double the average fermentation length), Elements 2.0 is a unique fruit-and-smoke study. Expect stewed green apple, zesty orange and vanilla-brûlée cues woven through maritime peat on an energetic, yet balanced, palate. Awarded Whisky Advocate's 2024 Whisky of the Year.

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Matured in oak and finished in a white Madeira cask, bottled in 2023 as a single-cask release (≈276 bottles), natural presentation. Smoked honey and grilled stone-fruit ride savory peat and sea salt, the Madeira turn adding glaze without sweetness, finishing ember-warm and dry. A culinary-minded collaboration that refracts Laphroaig's smoke through the fire-cooking lens of chef Francis Mallmann.

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Ex-bourbon barrels matured and **first-fill European-oak Oloroso sherry** finish; **distilled in 1987 and bottled Oct 2021** at 46.2%. Waxy citrus and honeyed malt fold into polished peat,

walnut and a measured coastal line, finishing precise and sea-braced. As the fourth Ian Hunter volume, it ties floor-maltings heritage to a dignified old-Islay voice.\

• **Smokehead ‘Sherry Cask Blast’ — Islay Single Malt — \$20 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #SHSB**

Undisclosed-distillery Islay malt finished in Oloroso sherry casks, turning the brand’s brash peat toward dark cherry, cocoa, and spiced citrus while keeping the engine-room smoke humming. The palate is bold but tidy, with sherry gloss carrying through the finish. Within Smokehead’s lineup, this is the cask-driven detour—same island attitude, dressed in richer, red-fruit light.

Port Askaig: robust smokiness and fruitiness put together under one name, which is also the name of this lovely little port-village on the north-east of Islay, where the Caol ila distillery is located. This independent bottling company doesn’t disclose where the malts are sourced from, leaving the guessing exercise to the sagacity of your nose and palate. All whiskies found under the Port Askaig brand are non chill-filtered and are not added coloring.

Port Ellen distillery was founded in 1825 and operated its coastal facility until 1983. Its whiskies were consistently lauded for their tropical fruit and rich peat qualities, though the whisky lake of the 1980s made it impossible for the distillery to continue operating. Since its closure, bottles of Port Ellen whisky have delighted connoisseurs with their complexity and intensity, causing the producer to become one of the great ghost distilleries and bringing its older bottles into unicorn status. Diageo announced in 2024 that the distillery would be reopening with classic Port Ellen replica stills alongside modern distillation equipment and its first new production occurred in 2025.

• **Port Ellen 27 Year — Douglas of Drumlanrig ‘Old Malt Cask’ (DL 6836) — 1983 - 2010 — \$745 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #PE-OMC-6836**

A single Sherry butt-matured spirit distilled in March 1983 and bottled in 2010. Waxy citrus and almond open over coal-tar smoke, iodine and old-oak polish with a clean, sea-braced finish. From Port Ellen’s final distilling year, this Douglas Laing bottling captures late-vintage PE in a taut, dry register—an elemental snapshot of the lost Islay giant. 568 bottles were produced.

• **Port Ellen 24 Year — ‘Signatory Vintage Collection’ (Cask 146) — 1975 - 1999 — \$565 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #PE-SV-1975-146**

Distilled in Jan 14, 1975 and bottled in Oct 25, 1999 from a single cask #146. 280 bottles. The profile is poised: lemon oil, soft peat and coastal minerals set against gentle vanilla and waxy malt, finishing tea-leaf dry. A millennium-era Signatory release that shows pre-closure Port Ellen in a graceful, low-intervention style: rare, quiet, and impeccably balanced.

Smokehead is a brand hailing from Ian MacLeod distillers and presents an innovative approach to Scotch whisky. As an independent bottler, they have access to a variety of single malts they further mature, sometimes in very unusual casks. While we are not given the name of the distillery they contract to supply the juice, we know it no longer comes from Ardbeg. The other option would be Caol ia...

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• **Aberfeldy 12 Year — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #AF12**

Matured mainly in ex-Bourbon with select Sherry casks, this gentle Highlander leans into long fermentations and slow copper contact for its hallmark honeyed profile. Heather, orange zest, and vanillaed malt glide over soft oak spice. As the core statement from the Pitilie Burn's 'golden' distillery, the 12 anchors Aberfeldy's house style—approachable sweetness with just enough Highland resin to keep things interesting.

• **Aberfeldy 16 Year — Oloroso Sherry Cask Finish — \$29 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #AF16OLO**

Long Bourbon maturation sets a bright, honey-citrus frame before a measured Oloroso finish deepens texture and tone. Sultana, cocoa, and toasted almond enrich the malt while keeping Aberfeldy's floral lift intact. Introduced to push the core into duskier territory, the 16 shows how a finishing pass can amplify richness without smothering the distillery's easygoing Highland grace.

• **Aberfeldy 21 Year — Argentinian Malbec Cask Finish — \$49 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #AF21MAL**

Two decades in American oak are crowned by a Malbec cask finish, layering cassis, rose-tinged spice, and satin tannin over the distillery's honeyed core. The palate reads polished yet buoyant, with red-fruit warmth lifting the long, wax-tipped finish. As a small-batch detour in the Exceptional Cask vein, it reframes Aberfeldy maturity through a South American lens—elegant, not heavy.

• **Aberfeldy 24 Year — 1994 - 2019 — \$115 — 107.8 proof / 53.9% ABV — #8048098519**

A single Oloroso sherry cask that yielded only 312 bottles specifically chosen by Aberfeldy Malt Master Stephanie Macleod, this 24 Year Old whisky is part of the distillery's Exceptional Cask Series. Honeyed malt notes are tied to dried fruit, toffee, and baking spice aromas.

Aberlour- One of the top ten best selling malts worldwide and the number 1 selling malt in France, a shining example of a traditional Speyside whisky. The name translates to, 'mouth of the babbling brook' and draws the majority from a series of springs from the Benrinnes foothills. Maturation is a well balanced combination of both ex-Bourbon casks and sherry casks. Owned by drinks giant Pernod Ricard, and continuously growing and holding tight to its reputation as stalwart of traditional sherried malts.

• **Aberlour 12 Year ‘Double Cask Matured’ — \$24 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #ABL12DC**

A classic marriage of American oak and Sherry casks yields baking-spice warmth over orchard fruit and honeyed malt. The texture stays plush but lively, with gentle cocoa at the close. As Aberlour’s gateway, the 12 sketches the house signature in clean lines—bourbon brightness meeting sherry depth—setting the stage for the distillery’s richer, high-strength expressions.

• **Aberlour 18 Year — Double Cask Sherry (PX & Oloroso) — \$76 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #ABL18PXOLO**

Long maturation in Pedro Ximénez and Oloroso casks turns the fruit darker and silkier: fig cake, orange oil, and polished walnut over a calm, steady palate. Oak reads supportive, not loud. Within the range, the 18 acts as the composed elder sibling—deep sherry tone without the thunder of cask strength, a bridge between elegance and amplitude.

• **Aberlour A’Bunadh — Batch 074 (Spanish Oloroso Sherry Butt) — \$33 — cask strength — #ABLAB074**

Matured exclusively in first-fill Spanish Oloroso butts and bottled at natural strength, Batch 74 channels treacle, cherry compote, and ginger cake through a dense, warming core. Water teases out orange oils and nut brittle. Since 1997, A’Bunadh has been the cult standard for old-school sherry heft—batch by batch, a living link to the distillery’s vintage cask tradition.

• **Aberlour Casg Annamh — (US Oak & Sherry Oak) — \$28 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #ABLCASG**

Built from a high proportion of first-fill Sherry casks (Oloroso and PX) with American oak for lift, bottled at 48% for texture and drive. Dark honey, poached pear, and clove-tinged cocoa move with confident weight. As a batch-led release, Casg Annamh (‘rare cask’) threads the needle between the 12’s accessibility and A’Bunadh’s force—modern sherry maturity in a versatile, bar-friendly register.

• **Aberlour 10 Year — \$26 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #ABR-10**

Matured ex-bourbon and ex-sherry casks to emphasize the traditional orchard fruit character of the distillery’s spirit. Expect supple malt, toffee and tea-leaf dryness with a clean, Speyside finish. This whisky represents Aberlour’s modern template: approachable sherry influence over a bright, honeyed core.

• **Aberlour 1971 Vintage — 24 Years (≈1995/1996 bottling) — \$258 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #ABR-1971-24**

Distilled in 1971 and bottled in the mid-1990s for the French Market, the style of this whisky is poised and old-school. Dried citrus and wax-polished oak lead to a clean, dry, and compact finish.

• **Aberlour A’bunadh — Batch 47 — \$32 — 121.4 proof / 60.7% ABV — #ABR-ABUN-47**

Non-age indicated but aged exclusively in Oloroso sherry butts, this cask strength limited release showcases apricot, vanilla, black cherry and spice through a rich, oil-satin palate. Extremely sherry forward with a tea leaf tannin finish.

Ardmore was not initially founded for the production of single malt whisky, nor even

for its own bottlings. Adam Teacher built the distillery in 1898 to supply peated malt for his family's blended whisky, the Teacher's Highland Cream. The distillery was expanded twice by 1974 to bring the total stills from 2 to 8 and then sold two years later. After several changes in hands, the first single malt from Ardmore was bottled in 2007.

• **Ardmore 11 Year — Cadenhead's (ex-Bourbon & Marsala) — \$27 — cask strength — #ARM11CM**

Ex-Bourbon maturation lays down Ardmore's gently ashy Highland peat before a Marsala finish adds raisined fruit, almond toffee, and sweet spice. The palate feels wiry yet generous, with sea-spray smoke threading the sweetness. As an independent bottling, it reframes Ardmore's farmhouse style through Sicilian wine casks—an adventurous detour that keeps the distillate's earthy clarity in focus.

• **Ardmore 11 Year — Cadenhead's (Ruby Port) — \$27 — cask strength — #ARM11RP**

A Ruby Port cask brings red-berry gloss and cocoa to Ardmore's citrus-tinged peat, while the underlying ex-Bourbon stock preserves malt brightness and line. The finish turns slightly vinous without weight, smoke and fruit moving in stride. As a sibling to the Marsala expression, it sketches a darker, juicier register—proof that Ardmore's lightly peated heart wears wine wood with ease.

• **Ardmore 11 Year — Cadenhead (Original Collection) — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARD-CAD-11**

This independent 11 Year aged bottling of Ardmore is matured in a combination of Marsala and Bourbon barrels and designed to encourage Ardmore's clean and brisk clean and brisk style to shine. Expect peaty kiln-smoke and citrus over vanilla and grain, finishing dry and lightly saline.

Ardnamurchan is a brand new -and green- distillery (they distilled their first newmake spirit in 2014) located in the Western Highlands and owned by famous independent bottler Adelphi. They make two different malts, one peated and one unpeated and use a variety of barrels to mature these malts.

• **anCnoc 12 Year (Knockdhu Distillery) — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #ANC12**

Matured in a mix of ex-Bourbon and ex-Sherry casks, this unpeated Highlander leans on slow, careful distillation for its hallmark lightness. Lemon zest, honeyed barley, and vanilla cream glide over a clean, mineral snap. Relaunched under the 'anCnoc' name in the 1990s to distinguish it from Knockando, it remains the house's modern calling card—fresh, elegant, and quietly characterful.

Aultmore in Speyside is a Bacardi malt, until recently solely used for blending purposes (mostly Dewar's), but along with other malts such as Craigellachie, Aberfeldy, Royal Brackla and The Deveron (Macduff), has been made available as a stand-alone whisky. Overall light and round, with honey and citrus notes, quite elegant.

• **Balblair 12 Year — ex-Bourbon Barrels — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BB12**

Drawn from American oak ex-Bourbon barrels and bottled non-chill-filtered, the 12 channels orchard fruit, blossom honey, and a subtle waxy glide. Oak stays supportive, letting citrus and barley sugar read crystal clear. Introduced with Balblair's 2019 age-statement core, it sets the house baseline—Highland brightness and texture without adornment, a precise platform for the older expressions to elaborate upon.

• **Balblair 15 Year — ex-Bourbon with First-Fill Spanish Oak Finish — \$78 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BB15**

Long American-oak maturation delivers poise, then first-fill Spanish oak (sherry) deepens tone and length. Toffee, dark honey, and clove-laced citrus move over a silken, slightly waxy palate. As the range's step-up in the 2019 re-cast, it offers a richer, duskier take on Balblair's orchard-led style—elegant and composed, with sherry warmth framing rather than steering the conversation.

The Balvenie, or 'Glenfiddich II' as it was called at some point, is in the William Grant family, and is hands down one of the most reliable malts around: generally speaking unpeated, mild and delicate, it lends itself to finishes very well (the distillery pioneered the process without naming it), greatly improves with age, and has always been found on the shelves at the right price (well, until now, but that is true for just about everything!). But Balvenie also excels at releasing new offerings on a regular basis, departing greatly from what was coined a 'typical Speyside' even just a few years ago with its sweet, honey and vanilla-driven profile. Even better for us...more whiskies to try! If you like the malts, pay them a visit, it's worth it...they still malt some of their own barley and there is a cooperage on site!

• **Balvenie 12 Year 'The Sweet Toast of American Oak' — \$35 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BV12ST**

First matured in ex-Bourbon barrels, then finished in twice-toasted virgin American oak casks from Kelvin Cooperage in Louisville, this 12 year layers vanilla fudge and honeyed malt over gentle spice. The fresh wood's lactones and toast brighten orchard fruit while keeping Balvenie's malty core intact. Part of the distillery's wood-craft narrative, it shows how a thoughtful virgin-oak finish can sweeten without shouting.

• **Balvenie 14 Year 'Caribbean Cask' — Rum Cask Finish — \$39 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BV14CC**

Long American-oak maturation meets a finish in casks seasoned with Balvenie's own blend of Caribbean rums, drawing out ripe banana, toffee, and warm spice alongside honeyed malt. The sweetness reads supple, not sugary, with a clean oak line beneath. As one of the category's touchstone rum finishes, it extends Balvenie's house richness into a tropical register without losing balance or poise.

• **Balvenie 16 Year — French Oak (Pineau des Charentes Finish) — \$65 — 95.2 proof / 47.6% ABV — #BV16FO**

American-oak maturation sets a honey-citrus frame before finishing in French-oak casks that once held Pineau des Charentes, adding white-grape sweetness, almond, and floral lift. Texture turns silkier without excess weight, smoke absent but oak confident. As a modern 'French oak' chapter, it broadens Balvenie's finishing vocabulary—proof that delicate fortified-wine influence can enrich the house style rather than rewire it.

• **Balvenie 19 Year 'A Revelation of Cask & Character' — \$74 — 95 proof / 47.5% ABV — #BV19RCC**

Matured entirely in European-oak Oloroso sherry casks, this 19 year foregrounds the cooperage itself: clove-spiced cocoa, Seville orange, and polished oak fan out over a stately, slow-building palate. The distillate's honeyed core remains visible through the sherry's dusker light. As a Balvenie Stories release, it reads like a masterclass in sherry-led maturity—celebrating cask provenance as the engine of style.

• **The Balvenie 14 Year 'Peat Week' — 2002 - 2017— \$58 — 96.6 proof / 48.3% ABV — #8366487375**

Distilled during Balvenie's one-week long annual peated run, 'Peat Week' is matured exclusively in ex-bourbon barrels and aged for 14 years. This 2002 example offers gentle Speyside peat and earthy smoke over honeyed malt and citrus. This whisky reintroduced peated Balvenie to the market and became the basis of the 'Stories' line for the company.

• **The Balvenie 14 Year — The Week of Peat — \$58 — 96.6 proof / 48.3% ABV — #8366487414**

Composed from **ex-bourbon casks** distilled during the distillery's once-a-year peated week; the smoke stays measured so the house's honey-vanilla core can lead. Texture is supple, coastal, and tidy on the close. A Stories-series mainstay, it's the ongoing expression of Balvenie's peat program begun with the 2002 vintage.

• **The Balvenie 15 Year — Single Barrel Sherry Cask — Cask no. 4128 — \$82 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #BAL-15SB-SH**

Matured exclusively in one European-oak Oloroso sherry butt with less than 800 bottles produced. The sherry cask influence drives walnut, cocoa and dark fruit around Balvenie's honeyed spine, finishing tea-leaf-dry and precise. \$\$

• **The Balvenie 15 Year — Single Barrel Sherry Cask — Cask no. 615 — \$52 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #BAL-15SB-615**

Released from a single European-oak Oloroso butt, this edition of The Balvenie 15 Year portrays raisin bread, polished spice and cocoa over sweet malted aromas. The finish is firm without being tense and highlights the variability a single barrel provides Balvenie distillate.

• **The Balvenie 15 Year — Single Barrel — Cask no. 10903 — 1998 - 2013 — \$77 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #BAL-15SB-1998**

Prior to 2014, The Balvenie 15 year was aged in ex-Bourbon barrels instead of Sherry butts. This 1998 distillate, bottled in 2013, has aromas of vanilla and lemon oil with drying tannins framing The Balvenie's waxy, cereal malt spirit.

• **The Balvenie 15 Year — Single Barrel — 1980 - 1997 — Cask no. 12561 — \$91 — 100.8 proof / 50.4% ABV — #bottle131**

Bottled above the 47.8% ABV The Balvenie is presently released at, this 1980 15 Year whisky was matured in ex-bourbon barrel and characterizes a distinctly old-school approach by the house. Sweet citrus, sugary barley, vanilla, and honey drive a smooth, mature palate with a tannic, quick finish.

• **The Balvenie 15 Year — Single Barrel — 1998 - 2013 — Cask no. 1406 — \$81 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #BAL-15SB-1998-2013-197**

Distilled in 1998 and bottled in 2013 from a single ex-bourbon barrel. Expect wax-polished oak, lemon oil and vanilla over Balvenie's honeyed grain, the finish long, tidy and dry — a pure read

of the house style without sherry influence. As the ex-bourbon era of the 15 Single Barrel wound down, bottlings like this became a snapshot of the pre-sherry pivot.

• **The Balvenie 15 Year — Single Barrel — 1999 - 2014 — Cask no. 203 — \$80 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #BAL-15SB-1999-2014-041**

The profile on this single barrel is bright and exact, highlighting the rich and sweet profile of the house. Vanilla cream, barley sugar, and citrus present with a spine of gentle oak. These examples maintain a cult following even in the face of Balvenie's switch to ex-Sherry casks for maturation.

• **The Balvenie 16 Year — Triple Cask — \$49 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #010327545073**

This whisky was composed from spirit aged in first-fill bourbon, refill bourbon and first-fill Oloroso sherry casks. The resulting whisky contains a silky body with balanced fruit, vanilla and gentle spice framing the malt. Bottled at 40%, this was bottled with the intention of being more approachable and easy drinking.

• **The Balvenie 17 Year — Peated Cask (2010) — \$58 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #8366487170**

Aged for 17 years in ex-Bourbon barrels before finishing for 6 months in a Balvenie ex-peated cask, this unique expression infuses the typical fruit- and honey-driven Balvenie spirit with gentle smoke and peaty texture. The finish leads classic Speyside fruit into an Islay inspired finish.

• **The Balvenie 21 Year — PortWood (Old Release) — \$152 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #8366485841**

Red-fruit, cocoa and baking spice are incorporated into the honeyed malty core of Balvenie's spirit in this Port pip-finished whisky. The whisky finishes long and fruity with a restrained power and considerable composure.

• **The Balvenie 26 Year — 'A Day of Dark Barley' — \$164 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #8366487415**

Using an experimental batch of dark-roasted barley for fermentation, this rare whisky was matured for over two decades in ex-Bourbon barrels. Roasted-malt chocolate, honeyed vanilla and citrus ride a polished, oak-spiced frame, a unique contrast and complement to the typical house style.

• **The Balvenie 30 Year — Rare Marriages — \$792 — 88.4 proof / 44.2% ABV — #8366486904**

Built using long-rested parcels from ex-Bourbon and ex-Sherry casks, this example of the Rare Marriages is the fruitiest and most honeyed of the line. Waxy lemon, vanilla and dried citrus fold into gentle sherry depth and old-oak polish.

• **The Balvenie 40 Year — Rare Marriages — \$985 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BAL-40**

A combination of ex-Bourbon and ex-Sherry casks with a selection based on complexity and nuance rather than the typical Balvenie fruit power. The palate moves from heathered honey and sultana to walnut, cocoa and wax-polished oak, with a long, dry, sea-breeze finish.

• **The Balvenie 21 Year — Stories 'The Second Red Rose' — \$164 — 96.2 proof / 48.1% ABV — #STORIES-REDROSE**

This example of Balvenie's 'Stories' series is finished in Australian Shiraz wine casks, capturing

a blush of red-fruit perfume without tipping sweet. Blackberry and peach settle over honeyed malt and gentle spice to a moderate, dry finish.

• **The Balvenie Tun 1401 — Batch 9 — \$295 — 98.6 proof / 49.3% ABV — #8366487257**

This is the last single batch release from the distillery's historic marrying tun. A combination of aged spirit from ex-Bourbon barrels and European-oak sherry casks, the blending and resting in Tun 1401 adds a more texturally rich honey with vanilla and stewed fruit moving into earthy tobacco and subtle licorice. Released exclusively to the U.S. Market.

• **The Balvenie Tun 1509 — Batch 2 (2015) — \$179 — 100.6 proof / 50.3% ABV — #8366487347**

The successor to Tun 1401, 1509 is a larger vessel capable of accommodating the output 32 casks, here a combination of Balvenie's ex-Bourbon and ex-Sherry butts. The nose moves from honeyed malt and orange peel to malt-loaf richness layered with vanilla, dried fruits and fine spice.

• **Banff 35 Year — Duncan Taylor 'Rarest of the Rare' — 1975 - 2011 — \$372 — 90.8 proof / 45.4% ABV — #DT-3350-087/289**

Drawn from a single legacy cask saved from the distillery before its 1991 demolition, independent bottler Duncan Taylor filled 289 bottles as part of their 'Rarest of the Rare' stocks. The profile is wax-polished malt, citrus and old-oak spice with a clean, textured finish, playing more elegant than showy after all this time.

• **Beinn Dubh 'Black Mountain' — Toasted Port Cask Finish (Speyside) — \$27 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BDBLK**

Ex-Bourbon maturation followed by **Port casks re-toasted** to intensify chocolate, berry compote and gentle char around a soft Speyside core. The palate stays plush yet controlled, drying on walnut and baking spice rather than syrup. As the house's toasted-Port specialty, it casts Speyside sweetness in a darker, dessert-tinged register while keeping balance and flow.

BenRiach is owned by American whiskey producer Brown-Forman since 2016 and has the uber talented Rachel Barrie for Master Blender/Whisky creator. The newly revamped line shows a lot of work put in crafting flavorful malts with a great texture! All marks but 'the Twelve' carry this 'orchard fruits' character and have a touch of smoke (using Highland peat for a sweet, campfire smoke), except for 'the smoky' ones where a greater amount is introduced. Enjoy these well-balanced drams at a good price while it lasts!

• **BenRiach 'Malting Season' — 3rd Edition (Ex-Bourbon & Virgin Oak) — \$44 — 97.8 proof / 48.9% ABV — #BRMS3**

Floor-malted barley from a single season is mashed and distilled on site, then matured primarily in first-fill Bourbon barrels with select virgin-oak casks before bottling non-chill-filtered. Barley sugar, lemon creams and toasted almond glide over a subtly waxed texture. As the third Malting Season, it documents a rare, hands-on production chapter—an annual snapshot of grain, kiln and copper rather than cask theatrics.

• **BenRiach 10 Year 'The Original Ten' — Three-Cask Matured — \$25 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BR10OT**

A marriage of ex-Bourbon, Sherry and toasted virgin-oak casks sets a bright orchard-fruit frame with honeyed malt and vanilla spice. The palate stays lively and balanced, oak supportive rather than loud. Relaunched with the modern range, The Original Ten re-centers the distillery's fruit-first Highland style—clean, textured and versatile, the platform on which the older and smokier expressions elaborate.

• **BenRiach 10 Year 'The Smoky Ten' — Three-Cask Matured — \$28 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BR10ST**

Peated spirit matured in ex-Bourbon, toasted virgin-oak and Jamaican rum casks folds lemon zest and vanilla into savory kiln smoke with a lightly oily glide. Rum wood adds tropical warmth without sweetness creep. As the entry to BenRiach's smoky thread, it offers a modern, aromatic take on peat—brisk and bright rather than brooding, yet unmistakably coastal at the edges.

• **BenRiach 12 Year 'The Smoky Twelve' — Three-Cask Matured — \$31 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BR12ST**

Peated spirit aged in ex-Bourbon, Sherry and Marsala casks turns the smoke silkier and the fruit darker: cocoa-tinged citrus, roasted nuts and gentle ash. The texture gains length without heaviness. Within the core lineup, The Smoky Twelve is the composed middle weight—linking the 10's aromatic lift to the range's deeper, wine-led accents while keeping the distillery's supple mouthfeel intact.

• **BenRiach 12 Year 'The Twelve' — Three-Cask Matured — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BR12T**

Sherry casks lead, with ex-Bourbon and Port casks adding lift and glow; bottled non-chill-filtered. Dark honey, baked orchard fruit, and cocoa move over a supple, lightly waxed texture. Relaunched with the modern range, The Twelve reframes BenRiach's fruit-first style through a sherry-led lens—richer than The Original Ten, yet still crisp around the edges.

• **BenRiach 16 Year 'The Sixteen' — Three-Cask Matured — \$47 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BR16**

Long maturation in ex-Bourbon, Sherry, and toasted virgin-oak casks layers orange oil, almond nougat, and gentle baking spice onto BenRiach's bright malt core. The palate glides—silky, not heavy—with a clean Highland snap. Returned to the lineup as a bridge between 12 and 21, The Sixteen restores a classic age statement while keeping the house's orchard-led elegance in focus.

• **BenRiach 21 Year 'The Twenty One' — Four-Cask Matured — \$79 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BR21**

Ex-Bourbon, Sherry, virgin oak, and red-wine casks are married to build depth without weight. Fig, citrus peel, and cedar spice unfold over a polished, gently waxy frame. As the range's mature cornerstone, The Twenty One shows how multi-cask architecture can amplify BenRiach's orchard clarity into patient, layered resonance—age translating to length rather than oakiness.

• **BenRiach 30 Year 'The Thirty' — Four-Cask Matured — \$218 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BR30**

Three decades across ex-Bourbon, Sherry, virgin oak, and red-wine casks yield walnut cake, dried apricot, and sandalwood over a silken, quietly powerful palate. The finish is long and luminous, peat absent but depth assured. Positioned as the house's stately elder, The Thirty

reads like a culmination of the range's cask craft—fruit, wood, and time held in elegant proportion.

• **BenRiach 15 Year — Pedro Ximénez Sherry Wood Finish — \$59 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #8722912112**

This special release expression was matured in ex-Bourbon barrels and finished in PX sherry butts for richer, deeper fruit aromas. Dark chocolate and sultana fold into honeyed malt, stone fruit, and gentle oak.

• **BenRiach 15 Year — Tawny Port Wood Finish — \$59 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #8722912111**

With the use of a Tawny Port hogshead to finish the traditional BenRiach 15 year, cherry, strawberry, red fruit and cocoa are introduced to the vanilla, honeyed, orchard fruit distillate. A companion to the PX finish, it shows how BenRiach uses wine casks for contour and colour without becoming overly sweet.

• **BenRiach 18 Year — Tawny Port Pipe Finish — 1995 - 2014 — \$98 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV — #1995-TP-577/837**

Unlike the 15 Year Tawny Port Wood Finish, this 18 Year Old whisky is a heavily peated example. Chimney and kiln smoke shine over blackberry, cocoa and honeyed malt. The finish is long and tea-leaf-dry. A sought-after vintage that marries BenRiach's peated chapter with an elegant Port accent.

• **Benriach 40 Year — 'The Forty' — 2023 Release— \$620 — 87.0 proof / 43.5% ABV — #BR-40-2023**

With four decades of aging in a combination of ex-Bourbon and Port casks, this extra long aged whisky was selected and composed by Master Blender Rachel Barrie. The fruit-laden Benriach core turns silken with so much time in oak barrel. Honeyed pomelo, stone fruit, walnut, and cocoa ride gentle Highland-peat perfume while the finish stays poised and dry.

• **BenRiach Authenticus — 30 Year (Peated) — \$458 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BR-AUTH-30**

This 30 Year whisky represents the longest aged spirit in BenRiach's now retired 'Authenticus' lineup. Long maturation in traditional oak with documented parcels from ex-bourbon and ex-sherry develops elegant and resinous peat notes, threading wild honey, vanilla and mature oak into a slow, dreamy finish.

Ben Nevis is located on the foot of - and named after - Britain's highest mountain.

Founded by the famous John 'Long John' MacDonald, it has survived numerous economic downturns to thrive as a contemporary whisky producer. After considerable success in the middle and late 1800s highlighted by a visit from Queen Victoria, the distillery was forced to closed before reopening after World War 2. In 1989, the distillery was purchased by Japanese whisky company Nikka and the majority of Ben Nevis distillate is used as a principle component of Nikka From the Barrel, a blended world whisky. Nonetheless, a core line of aged whisky is released and appreciated by connoisseurs.

• **Ben Nevis 10 Year — Adelphi (Refill Oloroso Sherry Butt) — \$39 — cask strength — #BNV10AD**

Full term in a refill Oloroso butt, bottled by Adelphi at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Treacle, roasted nut and dark citrus ride a sinewy, mineral spine as peat flickers in the distance. An independent, single-cask snapshot, it shows West Highland ruggedness in focused sherry tones—one barrel, one vintage, no varnish.

• **Ben Nevis 10 Year — Signatory; Single Cask #433 — 2014 - 2024 — \$31 — 122 proof / 61.0% ABV — #SV-BN-433**

A single bourbon hogshead filled on July 2, 2014 and bottled on Aug 27, 2024 at cask strength. This modern Signatory cut lets Ben Nevis's dense distillate shine without sherry wood influence. Expect soot, dark citrus and vanilla supported by firm Highland malt with a lingering mineral finish. Only 273 bottles were released.

• **Ben Nevis 11 Year — ex-Bourbon Casks — \$39 — cask strength — #BNV11**

Matured in first-fill and refill ex-Bourbon to keep lemon oil, barley sugar and faint wax in clear relief, oak reading clean and cedary. The mid-palate stays taut and lightly saline, finishing mineral and dry. As a Bourbon-led counterpoint to sherried picks, it frames Ben Nevis's muscular make with brightness and texture rather than heaviness.

• **Benrinnes 11 Year — 'Single Malts of Scotland' USA Exclusive (Refill Sherry Butt) — \$35 — cask strength — #BRN11SMOS**

Drawn from a single refill sherry butt and bottled with minimal intervention, the whisky folds cocoa, orange peel and tea-leaf dryness over Benrinnes's worm-tub weight. Structure leads while sweetness stays measured, the finish long and cedary. As an Elixir Distillers indie—USA exclusive—it frames the distillery's muscular style through a restrained sherry lens: one cask, one voice.

Benromach is a small Speyside distillery owned by independent bottler Gordon & MacPahail, producing light to medium+ peated malts from organic barley and aged in a great variety of casks, mostly second fills.

• **Benromach 10 Year — 'Classic Speyside Malt' (Lightly Peated) — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #BRM10**

Matured chiefly in first-fill Bourbon barrels with a parcel of Sherry casks, then bottled light-peat and non-chill-filtered. Apple, malt biscuit, and roasted nut ride a clean thread of bonfire smoke—old-school Speyside in a modern register. Relaunched as the house statement, it restores a pre-industrial style where a touch of peat and fresh American oak give balance, texture, and length.

• **Blair Athol 23 Year — Limited Release (Natural Cask Strength) — \$159 — 116.8 proof / 58.4% ABV — #BAT23SR**

Long residence in European-oak sherry butts turns orchard fruit and malt biscuit toward polished walnut, black tea and gentle leather; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Power reads composed, with a dry, cedar-lined close. Beyond the Flora & Fauna staple, this late-maturity outing reveals Blair Athol's nutty house style in full sentences—depth through patience, not sugar.

• **Blair Athol 14 Year — Cadenhead (Original/Small Batch) — \$48 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BA-CAD-14**

Drawn from Oloroso-sherry stock, this Cadenhead bottling produced a supple, spirit-first

expression of malty sweetness and orange-marmalade wrapped in nutty caramel. Saline notes marry into the sherry wood finish, highlighting a unique perspective on Blair Athol.

• **Brechin (North Port) 28 Year — 1977 - 2005 — \$238 — 106.6 proof / 53.3% ABV — #BRECHIN-1977-28-01068**

This was distilled at the now-demolished North Port (Brechin) in 1977 and bottled in 2005 at natural cask strength. Citrus, vanilla and cereal malt ride a rich texture and restrained coal-tar smoke notes. A rare late-chapter from a lost distillery.

Brora was originally established in 1819 by the Marquess of Stafford under the name Clynelish in the town of Brora. After an expansion to a second distillery 150 years later, the original location was renamed Brora and initially produced heavily peated whisky for other producers during a temporary peat drought. From 1973 until its closure in 1983, Brora produced lightly peated malt whisky. Reopened in 2021 by Diageo, the distillery famously refurbished and restored the original stills and buildings while also running entirely on renewable energy from a sustainable biomass boiler.

• **Brora 30 Year — Bottled 2007 (Diageo Special Releases, 6th) — \$1,250/\$2,500 — 111.4 proof / 55.7% ABV — #BRORA-30-2007-2758**

Drawn from a mix of refill bourbon and sherry casks and bottled cask strength, the old-Highland profile is luminous: waxy citrus, meadow honey and gentle farmyard smoke over polished oak, finishing long and dry. A landmark closed-distillery statement that cemented Brora's cult stature during the years before its revival.

• **Brora 35 Year — 1978 - 2014 (Diageo Special Releases) — \$1,450/\$2,900 — 97.2 proof / 48.6% ABV — #BRORA-35-2014**

Matured for 35 years in a mix of first-fill American oak and European oak casks, bottled natural at cask strength. Tropical fruits, hay-smoke and polished leather glide over honeyed malt towards a long finish.

• **Brora 37 Year — 1977 - 2015 (Diageo Special Releases) — \$1,600/3,200 — 100.8 proof / 50.4% ABV — #BRORA-37-2015-2660/2976**

Aged in refill American white-oak hogsheads, the palate moves from paraffin and orchard peel to gentle farmyard smoke and leather. The finish stays compact and rich.

Cardhu has 2 claims of fame in modern Scotch history: it is Spain's favorite malt, and it created a Scotch whisky community uproar when, facing a dwindling stock issue, it turned from single malt to pure malt (mixed with other distilleries' malts) a few years back...Oh, and the distillery is allegedly haunted by a mashman! Other than that, this Diageo-owned single malt is mostly used for blending purposes (big in Johnnie Walker blends). Located in Speyside, the 'black rock' is a soft, round, approachable malt.

• **Cardhu Gold Reserve — Game of Thrones 'House Targaryen' — \$34 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GOT-CARDHU**

Composed from casks of American oak, largely ex-bourbon, this gentle Highland whisky offers

caramel and baked apple notes of a silky malt texture and a gentle, easy finish with a faint note of spice.

Clynelish distillery was first built in 1819 in the town of Brora as a means for barley farmers affected by the Highland Clearances to profit from their crops. Through the rest of the century and up until 1939, the enterprise was successful. In 1931 and again during World War 2, the distillery shuts down. When blended whisky became popular again in the 1960s, a second distillery was opened next door to the first and the name Clynelish transferred to the new establishment while the original was renamed Brora. Today, Clynelish both releases its own single malts and is a blending component for Johnnie Walker whisky.

• **Clynelish 14 Year — \$31 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CLY14**

A marriage weighted to ex-Bourbon casks frames the famed Clynelish wax—lemon peel, beeswax, and briny herbs over a lithe, slightly oily palate. Oak stays discreet; texture and coastal lift lead. As the modern cornerstone of Sutherland's most distinctive style, the 14 bridges Highland brightness and maritime savor, the bottle many drinkers use to define 'waxy' in Scotch.

• **Clynelish — 2008–2018, 10 Year (Signatory Vintage, ex-Bourbon Barrel) — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CLY10SV**

Distilled in 2008 and bottled in 2018 from a single ex-Bourbon barrel, un-chill-filtered and natural colour. Lemon peel, beeswax and white pepper ride a lightly oily, coastal frame—the classic Clynelish 'wax' in youthful focus. As an independent single-barrel snapshot, it shows how minimal oak seasoning and worm-tub weight can deliver clarity and texture early, a vivid prelude to the distillery's older, broader expressions.

• **Clynelish 10 Year — 'The Jazz Crescendo' — Special Releases 2023 — \$42 — 115 proof / 57.5% ABV — #CLY-10-2023**

Bottled by Diageo as a special release in 2023, the whisky was matured exclusively in first-fill bourbon American-oak casks and bottled at natural cask strength. The classic oily texture highlights vanilla, bright citrus, and meadow honey with a firm mineral finish.

• **Clynelish Reserve — Game of Thrones 'House Tyrell' — \$36 — 102.4 proof / 51.2% ABV — #GOT-CLY**

The whisky for this limited release was aged exclusively in ex-Bourbon barrel and bottled at a higher bottling strength than the series norm. Orchard fruit, toffee, wax, papaya and herb-tinged sweetness keep the palate lively before a baking spice finish.

Cragganmore was built by 'Big John' Smith, one of the most experienced whisky distillers of the 19th century. With experience at Macallan, Glenlivet, and Glenfarclas, Smith went on to build the first distillery deliberately located near a rail station to capitalize on the efficient transport of materials. The stills were designed by Smith with a 'flat top' that allows heavier and more complex flavor compounds to pass through the still. Distillers Company Limited, which would eventually become Diageo, fully acquired the project in 1965. Laura Vernon is the project's current master blender.

• **Cragganmore 12 Year — \$26 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CRGM12**

Matured in a balance of American oak (with select re-char and sherry influence), the spirit comes off flat-topped stills to meet worm-tub condensers—yielding gentle smoke suggestion, honeyed malt and herbal tea warmth over a firm spine. Texture takes the lead rather than oak. As a cornerstone of the Classic Malts era, the 12 defined an intellectual Speyside style: subtle, layered, and quietly complex.

• **Cragganmore 21 Year — ‘Special Releases’ — 1989 - 2010 — \$99 — 112 proof / 56.0% ABV — #CRAG-21-1989**

A fruit driven, creamy style distilled in 1989 and released as a rare long-aged expression from Cragganmore. Vanilla custard, apple, and lemon curd highlight the fruit character of this cask strength whisky with forest moss and grassy notes hinted toward the finish.

• **Cragganmore Distillers Edition — 1992 - 2005 (CggD-6557) — \$52 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CggD-6557**

The Distiller’s Edition of Cragganmore sees the typical distillery expression finished in Ruby Pot pipes. Layers of raisin and cocoa add depth to Cragganmore’s orchard-fruit core while keeping the finish tidy and dry.

• **Cragganmore Distillers Edition — 1998 - 2012 (CggD-6564) — \$49 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CggD-6564**

Plum, fig jam and orange-marmalade lift around malty sweetness and a faint hearth-smoke echo, closing mildly herbaceous with a clean finish . A mid-series DE that reads a touch plusher than the 1992 while preserving balance.

• **Cragganmore Distillers Edition — 2000 - 2013 (CggD-6565) — \$48 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CggD-6565**

Driven by milk-chocolate and red-fruit accents, Cragganmore’s honeyed grain and soft smoke are delicate on the nose but loud and singing on the palate. Caramel and gentle baking spices persist with gentle white smoke on the finish.

• **Cragganmore 15 Year — ‘Duncan Taylor Dimensions’ (Cask 4183) — 1997 - 2012 — \$73 — 107.4 proof / 53.7% ABV — #DT-DIM-4183**

Bottled in February 2012 from an undisclosed oak cask, this 246 bottle production is bright and spirit-first. The identity of Cragganmore is clear in the fruity, oily, full body with softly smoked finish.

Craigellachie. Except for rare appearances under independent bottlers’ labels, Craigellachie was unknown to the American public until 10 years ago, when Bacardi, the family-owned spirits company of rum fame, decided to release official bottlings of the malts that make up the Dewar’s blend...Oily, fruity and yet a bit sulfury as well, the ‘rocky hill’ is one of the few distilleries in Scotland using worm tubs for condensers. Currently under the expertise of Master Blender Stephanie Macleod.

• **Craigellachie 13 Year — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CRGL13**

Primarily ex-Bourbon maturation lets the distillate’s muscular, worm-tub weight shine: grilled pineapple, malt toffee and a faint sulphury edge that reads savory rather than sharp. Bottled without chill filtration, it carries real mid-palate grip and a dry, mineral close. Relaunched as the

modern house benchmark, the 13 reasserted Craigellachie's unapologetically old-school character in a landscape of polished sweetness.

• **Craigellachie 13 Year — Bas-Armagnac Cask Finish — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CRGL13BA**

Core ex-Bourbon maturation meets a finishing period in Bas-Armagnac casks, folding Gascon rancio—plum, leather, toasted nut—into the distillery's meaty, pineapple-tinged profile. The palate turns plusher without heaviness; oak reads cedary and composed. As part of the cask-finishing line, it explores a brandy-led lens that complements, rather than disguises, Craigellachie's throwback weight and worm-tub texture.

• **Craigellachie 17 Year — \$69 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CRGL17**

Extended time in American and European oak deepens the house's savory backbone into polished resin and dried citrus while preserving that telltale grilled-pineapple lift. Bottled typically un-chill-filtered, it glides with steady wax-tipped length. Within the range, the 17 is the mature voice—old-school structure refined, not softened—bridging the 13's brawn and the older age statements' calm authority.

• **Craigellachie 13 Year — 2008–2022 'Distiller's Art' (Single Sherry Butt) — \$44 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #CRGL13DA**

Single-cask Speyside drawn from a refill Sherry butt and bottled unchillfiltered, letting Craigellachie's worm-tub weight show through the duskier cask tones. Dark toffee, grilled pineapple, and a faint meaty savor ride a firm, mineral spine. As a Distiller's Art release, it's transparency by design—one cask, one vintage—framing the distillery's old-school character without the smoothing effect of big-batch blending.

• **Craigellachie 13 Year — Signatory Vintage (1st-Fill Sherry Butt, UCF) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CRGL13SIG**

First-fill Sherry wood pulls cocoa, orange oil, and roasted nut over the muscular, slightly sulphury Craigellachie core; bottled natural colour and un-chill-filtered. The palate is grippy yet composed, with charcoal warmth in the finish. As part of Signatory's UCF line, it shows how a single, assertive cask can amplify the house's throwback texture while keeping the distillate unmistakably in charge.

• **Craigellachie 15 Year — 2006–2022 'Old Particular' (Single Cask) — \$36 — 96.8 proof / 48.4% ABV — #CRGL15OP**

Selected by Douglas Laing from a single cask and bottled at the label's hallmark higher strength, this 15-year balances vanillaed malt and grilled citrus against savory, worm-tub depth. The oak reads cedary and dry, carrying cocoa and gentle spice. As an Old Particular pick, it preserves the distillery's sinewy mid-palate without cask-strength aggression—old-school structure, elegantly dialed.

• **Craigellachie 14 Year — Saint-Julien Wine Cask Finish (Single Cask) — \$39 — cask strength — #CRGL14SJ**

Ex-Bourbon maturation sets the frame before a Saint-Julien red-wine cask finish adds blackcurrant, cedar, and a touch of rancio to the meaty, pineapple-tinged spirit. The palate turns plusher but stays dry, smoke-kissed, and mineral. As a single-cask detour into Bordeaux, it sketches a darker, vinous register of Craigellachie—structure first, sweetness restrained.

• **Craigellachie 19 Year — Exceptional Cask Series (2019) — \$83 — 110.4 proof / 55.2% ABV — #CRAI-19-ECS-356**

19 years in a single second-fill ex-Sherry butt, then bottled cask strength. The sherry wood reads nutty and cocoa-deep around toasted pineapple, honeyed malt and baking spice. The finish is rich, moderate, and firm..

The Dalmore is now a luxury malt...and a higher price tag has certainly helped the brand being appreciated for its true qualities: elegance, silky mouthfeel, and complexity. Richard Paterson has been artfully blending The Dalmore for a long time, and is known for making the best use of the Matusalem Oloroso Sherry butts sourced from Gonzales-Byass. But other wine casks are used, with (almost always) the American white oak-made ex-Bourbon barrel for base maturation. Dalmore malts are often described as showing orange marmalade, chocolate, crème brûlée, raisins and vanilla notes.

• **The Dalmore 12 Year — Ex-Bourbon & Matusalem Oloroso Casks — \$35 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DM12**

American oak builds vanilla and citrus cream while Matusalem Oloroso—seasoned casks layer fig, cocoa, and polished spice; spirit runs through long stills for a plush, oily glide. The result is suave rather than sweet, the finish orange-peel bright. As the house cornerstone, Dalmore 12 established the distillery's signature of Bourbon clarity tempered by sherry richness—Highland luxury with disciplined balance.

• **The Dalmore 12 Year 'Sherry Cask Select' — \$32 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DM12SCS**

Initial maturation in American white-oak ex-Bourbon, then a finishing period in **bespoke sherry casks** seasoned with a Gonzalez Byass blend of Oloroso and PX, drawing out fig, orange oil, and milk-chocolate spice over Dalmore's oily malt core. The fresh sherry wood deepens sweetness without tipping into heaviness. Introduced as a modern sibling to the classic 12, it spotlights the house's sherry partnerships as a driver of style and texture.

• **The Dalmore 14 Year — Pedro Ximénez Cask Finish — \$39 — 87.6 proof / 43.8% ABV — #DM14PX**

Long American-oak maturation sets a bright vanilla-citrus frame before a PX sherry finish layers date syrup, walnut, and baking spice. Bottled for extra drive, the palate reads plush yet composed, with Dalmore's signature orange-peel lift intact. Debuting for the U.S. market, the 14 explores a darker, dessert-leaning register of the house style—sumptuous sherry glow anchored by clean Bourbon structure.

• **The Dalmore 15 Year — Ex-Bourbon then Matusalem, Apostoles & Amoroso Sherry — \$51 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DM15**

American oak nurtures honeyed malt for twelve years, then a **final three years** split across Matusalem, Apostoles, and Amoroso sherry casks add cocoa, clove, and roasted orange to the silky Dalmore texture. The result is suave rather than sweet, with cedar-spice poise in the finish. As a long-time range pillar, the 15 refines the distillery's Bourbon-plus-sherry dialect into an elegant, unmistakable signature.

• **The Dalmore 18 Year — 2024 Edition (Ex-Bourbon & Matusalem Oloroso) — \$129 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DM18-2024**

Matured first in American white-oak barrels, then given a **four-year** second maturation in

Matusalem Oloroso casks selected with Gonzalez Byass, it unfurls dark chocolate, espresso, and black-cherry tones over a polished, oily glide. The sherry's depth reads architectural, not heavy. As an annual edition, the 18 demonstrates how extended finishing can deepen the house's orange-citrus elegance into quiet, resonant luxury.

• **The Dalmore 21 Year — Ex-Bourbon & Matusalem Oloroso — \$272 — 87.6 proof / 43.8% ABV — #DM21**

Long American-oak maturation preserves orange-zest brightness and creamy malt, while Matusalem Oloroso casks add sandalwood, fig, and gentle clove across a satin palate. The integration feels seamless—length and perfume rather than sheer weight. Revived as a limited annual statement, the 21 channels Dalmore's century-old sherry alliances into a composed, modern register: mature Highland opulence with the house citrus still shining through.

• **The Dalmore 30 Year — 2021 Release (ex-Bourbon → Tawny Port Pipe Finish) — \$950/1,900 — ABV TBC — #DM30-2021**

Long maturation in American white-oak barrels lays down orange oil, vanilla and Dalmore's oily glide, before a final spell in Tawny Port pipes adds fig, cherry skin and cedar spice. The fruit reads deep but taut, the finish polished rather than sweet. Revived as an annual statement, the 30 shows how Port can broaden the house's sherry-led language without blurring its citrus core.

• **The Dalmore 40 Year — 2024 Release (ex-Bourbon, Colheita Port & Sherry) — \$2,600/\$5,200 — ABV TBC — #DM40-2024**

Decades in American oak form the chassis; select parcels from Colheita Port and aged Oloroso are married in to amplify plum, walnut and sandalwood over incense-soft malt. Texture is sumptuous yet poised, the citrus line still visible. As the 2024 edition, it captures late-maturity Dalmore at full composure—time, Port and sherry working in concert rather than competing for the stage.

• **The Dalmore 'Cigar Malt Reserve' — ex-Bourbon, Oloroso & Cabernet Sauvignon Casks — \$71 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #DMCIG**

American oak builds vanilla and orange zest, Oloroso adds cocoa and nutty depth, and Cabernet Sauvignon barriques bring dark fruit and fine tannin for structure. The palate is plush and aromatic with a dry, cedary close—built to stand beside a cigar without turning heavy or sweet. Within the permanent range, it's the most purpose-driven expression of Dalmore's wood partnerships.

• **The Dalmore 'King Alexander III' — Six Cask Types — \$112 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DMKA3**

Married from parcels matured in **ex-Bourbon, Matusalem Oloroso Sherry, Madeira, Port, Marsala, and Cabernet Sauvignon** casks, then composed for balance. Citrus oil, cocoa and dried berry glide over Dalmore's oily malt with a dry, cedary close. A technical showpiece, it codifies the distillery's multi-cask philosophy into a single voice—complex, measured, unmistakably Dalmore.

• **The Dalmore 'Port Wood Reserve' — 2018 Release (American Oak → Tawny Port Pipes) — \$38 — 93 proof / 46.5% ABV — #DMPW-2018**

First-fill American oak shapes bright vanilla and orange blossom; a finishing period in Tawny Port pipes brings raspberry, rose-tinged spice and gentle tannin. The result is vivid and silk-edged, with a dry, cedary close. Introduced as a permanent expression in 2018, it reframes

Dalmore's sherry-centric narrative through Port—fruitier in tone, but still anchored by the house's citrus-oily texture.

• **The Dalmore 'Luminary #2' — 16 Year — 2024 Release (Port & Sherry Cask Finish) — \$117 — ABV TBC — #DMLUM2**

American-oak maturation lays the citrus-honeyed chassis before a dual finish in Port and sherry casks adds black cherry, cocoa, and polished spice. Texture is satin-smooth with the house's orange-peel lift intact. As the second chapter in Dalmore's V&A-linked Luminary series, it showcases architectural cask design—richness layered deliberately rather than piled high, a modern riff on the distillery's sherry-driven voice.

• **The Dalmore 'Luminary #3' — 17 Year — 2025 Release (Seven-Cask Finish) — \$125 — 98.4 proof / 49.2% ABV — #DMLUM3**

Initially matured in American white-oak ex-Bourbon, then finished across seven cask types: **vintage Calvados, aged Calvados, Matusalem Sherry, Apostoles Sherry, Bordeaux red wine, Châteauneuf-du-Pape red wine**, and parcels **fully matured in American white oak** brought into the final marriage. Glossed cherry, cocoa and cedar fold into Dalmore's citrus-oily core. The third Luminary—created with architect Ben Dobbin—delivers breadth of wood in service of identity, not spectacle.

• **The Dalmore — 2009 'Select Edition' — 2024 Release (Matusalem Sherry & Tawny Port Finish) — \$83 — ABV TBC — #DMSE2009**

Distilled in 2009 and bottled in 2024, this Select Edition marries long American-oak maturation with a twin finish in Matusalem Oloroso and Tawny Port, fusing fig, orange oil, and cocoa to the distillery's supple malt. The result is richly toned yet poised, the sherry/Port duet extending length rather than adding weight. Within Dalmore's vintage selections, it's a precise study in two classic house partners.

• **The Dalmore 15 Year — 2002–2018 (Duncan Taylor, Single Cask) — \$79 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #DM15DT**

From a single cask laid down in 2002 and bottled in 2018, natural colour and (typically) un-chill-filtered at cask strength. Orange zest, toffee, and walnut ride a plush Dalmore mid-palate, the finish dry-cedary with gentle sherry glow if from European oak. As an independent single-cask lens, it trades blended house polish for specificity—one barrel's voice, bottled with the texture intact.

• **The Dalmore 15 Year — 'Duncan Taylor Dimensions' — 2002 - 2018 — \$89 — 106 proof / 53.0% ABV — #DT-10802053-173/266**

Bottled from an undisclosed oak cask, the palate of this whisky frames Dalmore's orange-marmalade depth with dark chocolate, citrus zest, and caramel. This remains a unique perspective on Dalmore, highlighting the spirit without the usual sherry layering.

• **The Dalmore 21 Year — 2022 Edition — \$255 — 87.6 proof / 43.8% ABV — #DAL-21-2022**

Finished in first-fill Matusalem Sherry casks used by González Byass to produce their 30 Year Oloroso, the Dalmore 21 shows prominent silken citrus, dark chocolate and coffee tones ride the house's marmalade glow. The finish is characteristically long and smooth.

• **The Dalmore 25 Year — 2020 Release — \$978 — 84 proof / 42% ABV — #DAL-25-2020**

This whisky is matured across American white-oak ex-bourbon, aged Tawny Port pipes, and 30-

year Matusalem Oloroso Sherry casks selected for The Dalmore. Expect a glossy texture with layers of fig, cocoa and citrus to unfold over polished spice.

• **The Dalmore 28 Year — ‘Stillman’s Dram’ — \$582 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #DAL-28-SD**

This special release forgoes extensive contact in sherry casks to emphasize the distillate. Aromas of orange-marmalade, complex spice, and a whisper of coastal brine keep the profile lively. Old oak influences bring texture to the body and encourages a dry finish.

• **The Dalmore ‘Castle Leod’ — 1995 - 2011 — \$112 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #DAL-CL-2011**

A special release to support the Clan Mackenzie Charitable Trust, the spirit goes through an initial finish in Spanish sherry wood before an additional 18 months in Bordeaux premier-cru red wine barriques. Black fruits and polished tannins support Dalmore’s marmalade core to a long, finely spiced finish.

• **The Dalmore Cigar Malt Reserve — \$94 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #DAL-CMR**

This rich expression of The Dalmore is finished in Cabernet Sauvignon barriques and 30-year Matusalem Oloroso sherry casks to drive fruit character in the spirit. Red-fruit, raisin, cocoa and cherry express loudly over typical jammy citrus notes.

• **The Dalmore Constellation 19 Year — 1992 — Cask #18 — \$1,200/2,400 — 107.6 proof / 53.8% ABV — #DAL-CON-1992-18**

This rare Constellation vintage was aged in Dalmore’s traditional method of first-fill bourbon barrels before being transferred to Port casks for a five year second maturation. The port brings cassis and cocoa around the house’s orange oil and toffee. From Dalmore’s ultra-luxury series, it captures a definitive bourbon-to-Port journey in one focused cask.

• **The Dalmore ‘Selected by Daniel Boulud’ — 2013 — \$356 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #DAL-DB**

A collaboration between the distillery and chef Daniel Boulud, this whisky is finished across Muscatel, Madeira, and Port casks before being married. Though not age indicated, the spirits here are matured for up to 23 years. A plush, dessert-leaning profile of orange peel, praline, and dark chocolate lands with a clean, dry resolve.

• **The Dalmore Gran Reserva — \$97 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DAL-GR**

The initial maturation in this whisky occurs in both first-fill Oloroso sherry and first-fill ex-Bourbon casks. Following this, the batches are married in sherry wood to emphasize cocoa, orange zest and gentle spice aromas. Introduced as the successor to the original Cigar Malt, this now-discontinued label remains a snapshot of Dalmore’s sherry-forward house style.

• **The Dalmore Regalis — \$87 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DAL-REG**

Created for travel-retail as part of the company’s Fortuna Meritas range, ‘Regalis’ is finished in first-fill Amoroso sherry cask. Red fruit, vanilla and orange oil ride Dalmore’s marmalade core on a lighter and lower ABV body.

• **The Dalmore Select Edition 18 Year — 2005 - 2023 — \$119 — 98.6 proof / 49.3% ABV — #DAL-SE-2005-23**

The 2005 18 Year ‘Select Edition’ sees the spirit finished in both Matusalem sherry and Vintage 2005 sherry casks. Expect dark chocolate and Seville-orange depth over toffee malt and

polished spice. The higher proof on this whisky deepens the body and complexity of the whisky, a hallmark of future examples.

• **The Dalmore Select Edition — 2005 - 2024 — 121 — 98.6 proof / 49.3% ABV — #DAL-SE-2005-24**

Built on American white-oak bourbon stock, then elevated in **Matusalem sherry** and **Vintage 2005 sherry** casks; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. The profile carries citrus-marmalade brightness into cocoa, leather and nutty richness with a measured, dry landing. A follow-on vintage that preserves the 2005 signature at assertive bottling strength for a more distillate-forward house read.

• **The Dalmore Select Edition 18 Years — 2006 - 2024 — \$129 — 94.4 proof / 47.2% ABV — #DAL-SE-2006-24**

This 2006 'Special Edition' is finished in Matusalem and Amoroso sherry casks for deeper, dark flavors. Black cherry, plum, liquorice and cacao thread through orange-oil sweetness and cedar.

• **The Dalmore Select Edition 15 Years — 2008 - 2023 — \$111 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #DAL-SE-2008-23**

With a finish in Matusalem and Pedro Ximénez sherry casks, fig and cocoa are added to the house's citrus-toffee line, with soft spice and a clean, dry finish. This vintage introduces a sweeter sherry accent to the with a slightly higher ABV than the core Dalmore expressions.

• **The Dalmore Select Edition 15 Years — 2008 - 2024 — \$116 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #DAL-SE-2008-24**

Distilled in 2008 and bottled in 2024; matured in American white-oak ex-bourbon and then enhanced by hand-selected Matusalem and Pedro Ximénez sherry casks (natural colour, non-chill-filtered). PX lends fig and cocoa while Matusalem adds walnut polish around the house's orange-oil core; the finish stays poised and dry. As part of the annual Select Editions, this vintage tilts a touch richer than the 18-year 2006/2005 chapters while remaining unmistakably Dalmore.

• **The Dalmore Vintage — 2003 - 2022 — \$186 — 93.8 proof / 46.9% ABV — #DAL-VIN-2003-22**

Distilled in 2003 and bottled in 2022, the spirit here is finished in Rivesaltes sweet-wine casks, Matusalem and Amoroso sherry casks, and additional small batch ex-Bourbon casks. Complex aromas highlighting the Dalmore distillate with additional honeyed citrus, toffee, cocoa and spiced dried fruit. The finish is long and expansive.

Dalwhinnie, or 'the meeting place' in Gaelic, is located in the Northern Highlands and is known as 'the gentle spirit', although a longer-than-usual maturation is often sought to polish this 'sulfury spirit'. Worm tubs are used to condense the vapors at the highest distillery in Scotland, with the coldest annual recorded average temperature in Scotland (6 c.). The main malt found in the Buchanan's blend, Dalwhinnie was one of the original 6 whiskies in the ground-breaking series of the 1988 'Classic Malts'. Part of Diageo's family of malts.

• **Dalwhinnie 15 Year 'The Gentle Spirit' — \$34 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DWH15**

Matured in American oak at altitude, Dalwhinnie's lithe Highland make shows heather honey, lemon tea, and a whisper of smoke over a lightly waxed palate. Oak plays accompanist, letting

clean malt and mountain air stay in the foreground. Long a Classic Malts pillar, the 15 distills Highland poise into a calm, welcoming register—subtle complexity meant to unfold, not announce.

• **Dalwhinnie Distillers Edition — 2022 Release — \$51 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DALW-DE-2022**

Layers of honey and heather meet raisin, cocoa and a wisp of hearth smoke. As a modern chapter of the Classic Malts Distillers Edition line, it frames Dalwhinnie's bright core with measured sherry depth rather than sweetness.

• **Dalwhinnie Distillers Edition — 1990 - 2005 (D.SM.312) — \$91 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DALW-DE-1990**

Dried-fruit warmth and chocolate support Dalwhinnie's lemon-honey clarity over a moderate, clean, mineral driven finish. An early-2000s DE that shows how a light Highland spirit takes a graceful sherry accent.

• **Dalwhinnie Distillers Edition — 1991 - 2008 (D.SP.312) — \$89 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DALW-DE-1991**

Notes of silky honey and orchard fruit are threaded with raisin and nut tones with a whisper-light smoke and dry finish. A late-2000s release that leans elegant rather than plush.

• **Dalwhinnie Distillers Edition — 1996 - 2012 (D.ST.312) — \$75 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DALW-DE-1996**

Cocoa and hints of raisin frame the heathered honey and citrus core of the distillate. The finish is clean and the palate remains light, highlighting delicacy over intensity.

• **Dalwhinnie Distillers Edition — 1997 - 2014 — \$69 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DALW-DE-1997**

Honey, ripe orange and milk chocolate glide over a wisp of smoke leading into a long and gently warming finish. A balanced, fruit-forward DE year.

• **Dalwhinnie Distillers Edition — 2004 - 2019 — \$65 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #DALW-DE-2004**

Honeyed malt and heather keep the lead while cocoa, raisin and a wisp of hearth smoke add contour. A crisp vintage chapter that shows how the DE treatment frames Dalwhinnie's bright core rather than sweetening it.

• **Dalwhinnie Winter's Frost — Game of Thrones 'House Stark' — \$55 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GOT-STARK-DALW**

This young, non-age statement whisky was bottled as part of the Game of Thrones special releases of whiskies. Expect warm honey, baked apple and gentle spice with a clean, cooling finish.

Deanston, located in the Southern Highlands of Scotland, is a baby: it only dates back from 1966! Currently owned by South-African group Distell, its malts are mostly used for blending purposes but are generally speaking very pleasant, on the mild side, with notes of honey and heather. A longer-than-usual fermentation (100 hours) and a slower-than-usual distillation seem to make for a malt that ages

very gracefully. The distillery is proud to produce its needs of power (and more) thanks to the dam and turbine on site! Deanston only uses locally farmed barley.

• **Deanston 12 Year — \$25 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #DNS12**

Married from parcels matured in first-fill and refill ex-Bourbon barrels; bottled non-chill-filtered and natural colour. Honeyed cereal, lemon peel and almond nougat ride a lightly waxed, barley-forward palate. As the house cornerstone (hydro-powered since 1966), it sets Deanston's identity: Highland brightness, honest texture, and oak used for clarity rather than cosmetic sweetness.

• **Deanston 'Virgin Oak' — \$23 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #DNSVO**

Bourbon-matured stock is finished in freshly charred virgin American oak, the cask list unapologetically short and explicit: ex-Bourbon → virgin oak. Vanilla fudge, coconut and white-pepper spice lift the grain's natural sweetness while keeping the finish dry and clean. A modern study in new-oak influence, it sweetens Deanston's profile without masking the distillate.

• **Deanston 2008 — 12 Year (Oloroso Cask Matured, UCF) — \$39 — ABV TBC — #DNS08OLO**

Full-term maturation in Oloroso sherry casks (no finish), bottled non-chill-filtered and natural colour. Fig cake, orange oils and nut brittle unfurl over Deanston's wax-tipped texture, water teasing out cocoa and clove. As a vintage-stamped 12, it shows the distillery's sherry register in primary colours—rich, structured, and still recognizably Deanston.

• **Deanston 15 Year — Tequila Cask Finish (UCF) — \$79 — ABV TBC — #DNS15TEQ**

Ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a finishing spell in ex-Tequila casks; bottled non-chill-filtered and natural colour. Lime zest, green agave and wildflower honey thread through a malty, lightly saline core. A rare Highland-meets-Tequila dialogue, it broadens Deanston's finishing vocabulary while keeping the house's bright, grain-first signature intact.

• **The Deveron 18 Year (Macduff) — \$53 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DVR18**

American-oak ex-Bourbon provides the chassis, with sherry-seasoned European oak deepening tone: baked apple, toffee and soft coastal salt over a polished, mid-weight palate. Oak reads composed, the finish calm and dry-edged. As the mature voice of the Deveron range, the 18 favors quiet composure over heft—Highland fruit and gentle shoreline accents held in steady balance.

Edradour was initially a cooperative enterprise founded in 1825 that produced whisky for blends independent of corporate ownership until its purchase by W Whiteley & Sons in 1928. William Whiteley's company had become profitable through mafia relationships and smuggling his own 'King's Ransom' blended whisky into the U.S. through mob boss Frank Costello. Whitely retired in 1938 and sold his company to Frank Costello associate Irving Haim, remaining in the Haim family until 1978. Andrew Symington, owner of Signatory Vintage, acquired Edradour in 2002, subsequently releasing Ballechin while returning the distillery's focus toward artisanal, non-chill filtered whisky.

• **Edradour 10 Year — Un-Chillfiltered Collection — \$39 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #EDR10UCF**

Married from parcels matured in ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks, bottled non-chill-filtered and natural colour. Fudge, orange peel and barley sugar flow over a gently waxed palate, oak reading supportive rather than sweet. As the small distillery's modern signature, this UCF bottling restores pre-polish texture and clarity—an honest Highland voice where grain and cask share the spotlight.

• **Edradour 10 Year — The Distillery Edition — \$33 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #EDR10DE**

Matured in a mix of ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks, then bottled for an easy, silken glide. Caramelized malt, dried fruit and soft spice sit over a creamy core with a clean, nutty close. As the classic house introduction, it sketches Edradour's gentle style in approachable lines—a calm counterpoint to the single-cask fireworks the distillery is famed for.

• **Edradour 10 Year — Sauternes Cask Matured (Cask Strength, Single Cask) — \$41 — ABV TBC — #EDR10SAU**

From a single Sauternes wine cask, bottled at natural strength, non-chill-filtered and natural colour. Honeyed apricot, vanilla cream and toasted almond ride a rich, wax-tipped texture, the finish dry and cedary rather than sugary. As one of Edradour's wine-led single casks, it reframes the gentle house spirit through Bordeaux sweetness—depth and glow without abandoning Highland poise.

• **Edradour 10 Year — Madeira Cask Matured (Cask Strength, Single Cask) — \$41 — ABV TBC — #EDR10MAD**

Drawn from a single Madeira cask and bottled at natural strength, non-chill-filtered and natural colour. Candied citrus, walnut cake and baking spice layer over malt fudge, the palate dense yet tidy with a gently tannic close. Within the single-cask series, this Madeira cask offers a drier, nut-spiced counterpoint to the Sauternes—same small-scale intimacy, a different accent of fruit and structure.

• **Ballechin 10 Year — Heavily Peated (≥50 ppm) — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BAL10**

Married from ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks, bottled non-chill-filtered and natural colour at 46%. Kiln smoke, dark honey and roasted nut move over a firm, oily palate, brine and malt keeping the sweetness in check. As Edradour's peated alter-ego, Ballechin shows how serious phenols can wear a civil suit—Highland richness meeting Islay-level intensity without losing balance.

• **Edradour 21 Years — Port Cask Finish — 1983 - 2004 — \$212 — #EDR-21-1983-PF**

The initial maturation occurs in ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry cask before finishing a Port cask. Notes of golden raisin, cocoa and wood spice weave through Edradour's honeyed malt, with a dry, polished close that keeps sweetness in check.

• **Edradour — Ballechin 'Discovery Series #1 – Burgundy Matured' — 2006 Release — \$96 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BAL-DS-1**

Heavily peated Edradour spirit was matured entirely in first-fill Burgundy casks, then bottled in September 2006. The result is ash-tinged smoke over dark cherry and malt loaf with wine-tannin grip guiding a textured dry finish.

• **Edradour — Ballechin 'Discovery Series #4 – Oloroso Cask Matured' — \$96 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BAL-DS-4**

Matured entirely in Oloroso sherry casks and bottled non-chill-filtered with natural color to let peated Edradour read boldly yet precise. Coal-kiln smoke folds into caramelized fruit, walnut

and cacao. Early in Ballechin's wine-led experiments, #4 shows how sherry depth can frame high-peat spirit without blunting its edge.

• **Fettercairn 24 Year — \$212 — 93 proof / 46.5% ABV — #FET24**

Fully matured for 24 years in American white-oak ex-Bourbon casks, then bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Tropical fruit, vanilla and gentle spice ride a silken, lightly oily palate that stays bright despite the age. As a modern core-age statement, it spotlights Fettercairn's ex-Bourbon clarity—letting time and copper do the shaping rather than heavy finishing.

Glenallachie is now under the supervision of Master Blender extraordinaire Billy Walker, which means high quality whiskies are coming your way...loads of premium wine barrels serve for maturation vessels, not just ex-Bourbon barrels of old days when it used to be a 'Chivas filler'. The 'valley of the rocks' is now releasing interesting drams and the near future holds great promises, once the extra long fermentation-originated new make spirits will have fully matured...

Glendullan on its own is not a very well-known distillery, albeit of great output, but it happens to be presented under Diageo's umbrella brand of 'Singleton', and now you're talking about big numbers, which for us translates into a much lower than usual price point! The other distilleries you may find under this label of Singleton are Glen Ord (Asian market) and another Speysider, Dufftown (Europe). Glendullan is usually described as fruity and grassy.

Glen Garioch is the most easterly distillery in Scotland. Founded in 1797, Glen Garioch (pronounced Geery) was originally a producer of heavily peated whisky. Despite periods of inactivity during World War 2 and from 1968-1973, the distillery found consistent success with its focus on smoky whisky. When acquired by Suntory in 1994, the distillery was closed and production shifted from heavily peated to unpeated whiskies.

• **Glen Garioch 12 Year — \$23 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GG12**

Married from parcels matured in ex-Bourbon and Sherry casks, bottled non-chill-filtered to keep texture vivid. Heather honey, poached pear and crème brûlée move over a firm, lightly oaky spine. Relaunched at higher strength, the 12 reasserts Glen Garioch's Highland weight and orchard-led warmth—an everyday dram with genuine presence.

• **Glen Garioch 8 Years (older OB) — \$26 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GG-8-OB**

Using refill Bourbon hogsheads for maturation, this whisky was bottled in the older distillery presentation at 40% for a clean, cereal-forward Highland cut. Expect honeyed malt, soft vanilla and gentle orchard fruit with a lightly drying, mineral close.

Glenglassaugh, like Glendronach and Benriach now belong to American group Brown Forman, owner of Jack Daniels and Woodford Reserve. Under the expert supervision of Rachel Barrie, this 'partly peated' malt is bound to have a bright future.

Glengoyne is the ‘unhurried malt’...Slow and easy does it at the ‘valley of the geese’ distillery: long fermentations, slow distillations and patient maturations seem to make little business sense but somehow all participate in the overall success of this single malt made just north of Glasgow but that identifies with the Highland style. Glengoyne is a pretty green distillery, generating its own electricity needs and adhering tightly to sustainable practices. Unpeated and dedicated to mostly Sherry casks, the malt has become a favorite of connoisseurs as of late.

Glen Grant was started by brothers John and James Grant, both former illegal whisky distillers, in 1840. Following three decades of operation, John’s nephew James ‘The Major’ Grant took over operations and immediately began modernizing its equipment and operations. The development of tall, slender pot stills helped produce the lighter, fruity style the distillery is now known for. He helped establish the northern railway in order to better supply the region with coal, barley, and other needs. Though the company passed to The Campari Group through Seagrams, the present Master Distiller Dennis Malcolm maintains the classic production traditions that his father and grandfather both practiced at Glen Grant.

• **Glen Grant — ‘Discovery’ (Gordon & MacPhail) 11 Year — ex-Bourbon — \$26 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GGR11DIS**

A bourbon-matured Speyside from G&M’s Discovery series, composed to show the distillery’s citrus-bright spirit without sherry shading; bottled to preserve clarity and poise. Lemon barley, vanilla cream and almond glide over a clean, medium-weight palate. Within Discovery, this is the ‘Bourbon lens’ on Glen Grant—transparent, classical, and a precise study in still character over cask drama.

• **Glen Grant 12 Year — ex-Bourbon & Oloroso Sherry — \$27 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GGR12**

Matured in hand-selected ex-Bourbon barrels and Oloroso sherry casks, the 12 balances baked orchard fruit and toffee with honeyed malt and gentle spice. The palate is lithe and polished, the finish clean and nut-edged. As the step-up in the core range, it frames Glen Grant’s tall-still elegance through a measured two-cask marriage—brighter than sherry-led peers, fuller than the entry expressions.

• **Glen Grant 15 Year — Batch Strength — first-fill ex-Bourbon — \$36 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #GGR15BS**

Exclusively matured in first-fill ex-Bourbon casks and bottled non-chill-filtered, this edition turns the house style vivid: spiced pear, apricot and vanilla carried on a silken, energetic palate. It’s the core profile with the volume up—bourbon sweetness and still purity amplified by higher strength. As a modern favorite, it shows how proof and cask selection can invigorate tradition without changing its shape.

• **Glen Grant 18 Year — \$64 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GGR18**

Married from parcels matured in American oak (ex-Bourbon) with select sherry-seasoned casks, this age statement lets the tall-still spirit stay bright while layering gentle dried-fruit depth. Honeyed orchard fruit, almond and a clean, wax-tipped glide keep the profile poised. Introduced

as the mature anchor of the core range, the 18 shows how Glen Grant's elegance can stretch into length without turning heavy.

• **Glen Grant 21 Year — 2022 Release — \$128 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GGR21-2022**

Composed from American-oak Bourbon barrels alongside sherry-seasoned casks (Oloroso and PX), married to emphasize fruit clarity over oak weight. Citrus, apricot and nut-spice rise through a silken mid-palate, the finish long and quietly savory. As the reimagined range's modern flagship, the 21 pivots Glen Grant toward higher-strength maturity—showing depth as resonance rather than darkness.

• **Glen Grant 25 Year — 2024 Release — \$253 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GGR25-2024**

A careful marriage of first-fill and refill American oak with European-oak sherry casks brings layered sweetness and structure while keeping the distillate's brightness intact. Baked apple, orange oils and cedar-spice unfold with calm authority and trimmed tannin. As the pinnacle of the renewed lineup, the 25 proves that extended age can amplify Glen Grant's precision instead of obscuring it.

• **Glen Grant 62 Years — 1956 - 2019 'Mr George Centenary Edition' (G&M) — \$1,000/2,000 — 103.4 proof / 51.7% ABV — #GG-1956-MRGE**

Released to honor George Urquhart's centenary, but barreled and bottled by Gordon & Macphail, it encapsulates G&M's cask-matching legacy at profound age. This first-fill sherry cask released 235 bottles and delivers aromas of fruitcake, Seville orange and beeswax with polished walnut and dark cocoa savory notes.

• **Glen Grant 22 Years — 1995 - 2017 'The Munros' — \$99 — 107.8 proof / 53.9% ABV — #GG-MUN-1995-22**

This example, contracted by K&L Wine Merchants, is a select single cask designed to view Glen Grant without the influence of Sherry cask. With maturation solely in ex-bourbon barrels, this long aged spirit develops bright orchard fruit, vanilla and meadow honey over a firm, mineral spine. Citrus oils and herbal lift develop with some dilution.

• **Glen Moray 'Mountain Oak Malt' — 1991 - 2003 (Distillery Manager's Choice) — \$127 — 121 proof / 60.5% ABV — #GM-1991-MO-317/800**

The oak used to mature this spirit is grown at high altitude, leading to a tighter wood grain and more nuanced flavor development over time. The virgin oak elaborates aromas of buttered toffee, vanilla and sweet spice. Cask char and pear lead into a balanced, but assertive finish.

Glenlivet barely needs introduction...it's the best-selling single malt Scotch whisky in the US and 2nd best in the world! The origins of the distillery can be found 200 years ago when a certain George Smith decided to go legal...Located in Speyside, Glenlivet is known for being an easy going malt best enjoyed on ice unless you're having well-aged, i.e. older, iterations. While the distillery's wood policy has American oak for focus, the Pernod-Ricard owned Glenlivet has a few very interesting bottlings, from the 15 year old French oak edition to the Nadurra options...unfortunately, very little is now available in the NY market...the price of success?

Glen Moray was established in what was formerly the Elgin West Brewery. After the

conversion to single malt distillation, the facility ran its first spirit in 1897. Economic forces caused a closure in 1910, but a reopening in 1923 led to a steady period of evolution and expansion. By 1999, Glen Moray was sustainable enough to begin pioneering wine cask finishing and enhance its visibility as a quality whisky producer. The current master blender is Stephen Woodcock, winner of the 2024 Global Master Distiller/Master Blender award at the Icons of Whisky Awards ceremony.

• **Glen Moray 12 Year — \$21 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GM12**

Matured entirely in American-oak ex-Bourbon casks, the profile stays classic Elgin: vanilla cream, barley sugar and lemon biscuit over an easy, polished glide. Oak supports rather than leads. As the gateway to the house style, the 12 privileges clarity and drinkability—an approachable Highland-Speyside accent that sets the stage for the richer expressions.

• **Glen Moray 15 Year — \$29 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GM15**

Married from American-oak Bourbon casks and sherry-seasoned European oak, bringing cocoa, toasted nut and dried-fruit glow to the distillery's vanilla-citrus core. The palate is rounder and longer than the 12 while staying clean at the edges. Within the Elgin Heritage range, the 15 is the balanced step-up—measured sherry warmth without losing the house's easy, bright cadence.

• **Glen Moray 21 Year — Port Wood Finish — \$78 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #GM21PW**

Married from parcels matured in American-oak ex-Bourbon, then finished in Tawny Port casks to layer red-fruit depth over Elgin's vanilla-citrus core. Cherry, cocoa and gentle cedar ride a polished, medium-weight palate with Glen Moray's easy sweetness intact. As the mature voice of the range, the 21 reframes house clarity through Port—adding breadth and length without turning heavy.

• **Glen Moray 'Elgin Classic' — Port Cask Finish — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GMPCF**

Ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a finishing spell in Port casks gives berry compote, milk chocolate and soft spice over vanillaed malt. The balance stays bright and approachable, with a tidy, dry close. Within the Classic finishes, Port offers the friendliest detour—fruit-led warmth that respects the distillery's clean, easygoing style.

• **Glen Moray — Rye Cask Finish (US Exclusive) — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GMRYE**

Core ex-Bourbon maturation re-racked to American rye-whiskey casks adds peppered caramel, vanilla fudge and a mint-tinged lift over Glen Moray's citrus-malt brightness. The palate stays easy and mid-weight, finishing clean and dry-spiced. As a U.S.-only finish, it nudges the Elgin Classic profile toward a spicier, grain-driven register while keeping the house's gentle clarity intact.

• **Glen Moray 'Elgin Classic' — Cabernet Cask Finish — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GMCAB**

Refill ex-Bourbon stocks finished in Cabernet Sauvignon casks bring black-currant gloss, cocoa and a light tannic frame to vanilla biscuit and lemon cream. Texture reads supple rather than sticky, the close tidy with cedar and tea-leaf dryness. As a red-wine accent in the Classic line, it paints the bright Glen Moray canvas in deeper hues without masking the malt.

• **Glen Moray — 2009–2018 'The Octave' (Duncan Taylor) — 8 Year — \$29 — cask strength — #GM09OCT**

Distilled in 2009 and bottled in 2018 from a single cask re-racked into a small 'Octave' sherry cask for intensified wood-to-spirit dialogue; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Sultana, toffee and roasted nut gather over a bright, cereal-led core, the finish drying on cedar and citrus pith. As an Octave treatment, it delivers concentrated sherry tone while keeping Glen Moray's lightness in view.

• **The Singleton of Glen Ord 14 Years — 'Autumn Walk' — 2024 Special Release — \$53 — 109.4 proof / 54.7% ABV — #ORD-14-2024**

After being aged in ex-bourbon casks, the whisky is part-finished with Pyrenean and Spanish oak ends. Orchard fruit and vanilla are lifted by grassy aromatics and a subtle spice frame, keeping the finish neat.

Glenrothes - in Speyside- is part of the Edrington group (Macallan, Highland Park, Famous Grouse) and gives its maturation a Sherry cask focus, whether from American or European oak. To many single malt Scotch lovers, Glenrothes is like the second label of Macallan, given its affordability and wood policy. The distillery gives credit to a slow distillation regime and its own cooperage on site for the overall superior quality of its malt.

• **Glen Spey 21 Years — 1989 - 2010 'Special Releases' — \$239 — 100.8 proof / 50.4% ABV — #GLSPEY-5687-10**

This 21 Year whisky underwent a maturation that combined first-fill Bourbon barrels with virgin American oak. Aromas of honeyed malt, citrus and light wax over nutty cocoa with apricots and butterscotch leading to a clean, mineral finish. This rare OB age-statement captures Glen Spey's subtlety with a firm, spirit-first frame.

• **Glen Spey 10 Years — Dalgety 2013 - 2023 — \$33 — 100.4 proof / 50.2% ABV — #DALGETY-272/681**

The distillate for this whisky was matured in two separate barrels: a high quality Super Port barrique and regular Port Barrique. The port barrels inject bright red-berry lift, spiced biscuit, and wine tannins to the nutty, oily texture of Glen Spey's spirit.

GlenAllachie is a recent project in Islay. The distillery was built by a subsidiary of Scottish & Newcastle Breweries to meet the increasing American demand for lighter whiskies. The firm contracted William Delmé-Smith to design the facility, opening it in 1967. Through a series of closures, the distillery created blended whiskies under numerous owners until Billy Walker, Tricia Savage, and Graham Stevenson purchased the facility from Chivas Brothers. From 2018 onward, GlenAllachie has been focused on single malt releases.

• **GlenAllachie 7 Year — 'Hungarian Virgin Oak' — \$31 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GLA7HVO**

Married from parcels matured in ex-Bourbon barrels, then finished in Hungarian virgin oak (Zemplén forests), toasted and charred for a spice-forward accent; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Honeyed barley, clove and almond toffee ride a supple, oak-bright palate. As part of the Virgin Oak Series, it spotlights how oak species and seasoning—not just age—can tilt texture and flavor while keeping GlenAllachie's malt core in clear view.

• **GlenAllachie 8 Year — ‘Scottish Virgin Oak’ — \$33 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GLA8SVO**
Ex-Bourbon maturation provides the frame before a finish in **Scottish virgin oak**—locally sourced, air-dried, then toasted and charred—adds ginger, honeycomb and a dry, cedary snap; bottled natural colour and NCF. The grain remains center stage beneath the oak’s fresh glow. Within the Virgin Oak Series, this is the **provenance** chapter: Highland malt meeting native oak to explore place through wood.

• **GlenAllachie 10 Year — ‘Spanish Virgin Oak’ — \$34 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GLA10SVO**
American-oak ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a finish in **Spanish virgin oak** (*Quercus robur*), carefully toasted to draw cocoa, orange oil and nut-spice; bottled natural colour and NCF. The palate turns richer but stays taut, oak lending structure rather than sweetness. As the deepest shade in the Virgin Oak Series, it shows how Iberian timber can **broaden** GlenAllachie’s fruit-led style without weighing it down.

• **GlenAllachie 10 Year — ‘Cask Strength’ (Batch 7) — \$32 — ABV TBC (cask strength) — #GLA10CSB7**
Oloroso and PX sherry form the backbone, with select virgin-oak and Rioja wine casks integrated into the final composition; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered at natural strength. Treacle, dark cherry and baking spice ride a muscular, malt-rich core. As the cult flagship, it proves cask architecture—not age alone—can deliver intensity with clarity.

• **GlenAllachie 10 Year — ‘Chinquapin Virgin Oak’ Finish — \$31 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GLA10CHQ**
Long ex-Bourbon maturation, then a finish in **Chinquapin (*Quercus muehlenbergii*) virgin oak** from Missouri, toasted and charred to release sweet-spice and roasted-nut tones; bottled natural colour and NCF. Honeyed malt, vanilla and nutmeg move with an easy, grippy line. This chapter of the Virgin Oak Series underlines species-driven character—**American oak beyond classic bourbon staves**, rendered in a fresh, expressive register.

• **GlenAllachie 10 Year — Rye Wood Finish — \$34 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GLA10RYE**
Married from parcels first matured in ex-Bourbon barrels, then finished in American rye-whiskey casks; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Peppery caramel, toasted grain and orange oils ride a lively, slightly drying palate shaped by rye’s spice. Part of the Wood Finish Series, it tilts GlenAllachie’s fruit-first style toward a crisper register—structure and snap over sweetness.

• **GlenAllachie 13 Year — Madeira Cask Finish — \$51 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GLA13MAD**
Ex-Bourbon maturation provides the frame before a finishing spell in Madeira wine casks; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Honeyed apricot, almond toffee and gentle sea-spray brightness unfold with measured richness. As a mid-teen chapter of the Wood Finish line, it shows how fortified-wine depth can broaden the house’s orchard-led profile without weighing it down.

• **GlenAllachie 2010 — 12 Year Single Cask (Oloroso Puncheon) — \$35 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #GLA2010OP**
Distilled in 2010 and bottled in 2022 from a single Oloroso sherry puncheon, natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Treacle, roasted walnut and orange-peel bitterness coil around a firm, malt-driven core, the puncheon’s breadth lending quiet power. As an individual cask story—typically

a small outturn—it captures Billy Walker—era specificity: one year, one vessel, the sherry dialed for resonance rather than sheer darkness.

• **GlenAllachie 12 Year — \$30 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GLA12**

Oloroso and Pedro Ximénez sherry casks lead, with select virgin-oak staves and ex-Bourbon in support, bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Dark honey, cocoa-tinged citrus and polished spice move over a supple, barley-bright palate. Relaunched under new stewardship, it became the core expression that defines the modern house voice—cask richness balanced by clear distillate lines.

• **GlenAllachie 15 Year — \$38 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GLA15**

Long maturation in **Oloroso and Pedro Ximénez sherry casks** (no finish), then bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Fig cake, orange oil and walnut depth glide with steady composure, the sweetness checked by dry spice. Positioned as the range's mature heartbeat, the 15 translates sherry intensity into length and poise—power expressed as resonance rather than volume.

• **GlenAllachie — 2009–2024, 14 Year (Single Cask, Oloroso Hogshead) — \$69 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #GLA14-2009OLO**

Matured full-term in a single **Oloroso sherry hogshead**, then bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered at cask strength. Treacle, orange oils and roasted walnut coil around a firm, malt-driven core, the sherry reading broad and dry rather than syrupy. As an individual cask story from the Billy Walker era, it trades blend polish for specificity—one vintage, one vessel, the house's sherry dialect told in precise, resonant tones.

• **GlenAllachie — 2008–2023, 14 Year (Duncan Taylor, Single Sherry Cask) — \$47 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #GLA14DT-2008**

A single **sherry cask** selected and bottled by Duncan Taylor, left natural colour and un-chill-filtered at cask strength. Dark toffee, baked fig and cocoa ride a sinewy barley spine, the finish dry-spiced and long. As an independent counterpoint to the distillery's own releases, it shows how a lone, assertive sherry cask can frame GlenAllachie's fruit with focus—one barrel, one voice, no varnish.

• **GlenAllachie 'Meikle Tòir' — The Sherry One (5 Year, PX & Oloroso Finish) — \$26 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #MT5SH**

Ex-Bourbon maturation sets the base before a **dual finish in Pedro Ximénez and Oloroso sherry casks**; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Silky smoke meets date cake, orange peel and nut-spice, the peat reading plush rather than sharp. As the sherry-led chapter of the Meikle Tòir line, it bends Speyside peat toward richness without losing the brand's grain-first, modern cadence.

• **Glencadam 15 Year — Highland Single Malt — \$31 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GCD15**

Ex-Bourbon barrels carry orchard fruit, vanilla cream and bright citrus along Glencadam's trademark feathery texture; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Oak stays precise and supportive, letting the delicate, slightly waxy mid-palate linger. Reintroduced to anchor the range, the 15 captures the distillery's quiet elegance—Highland freshness with uncommon length and poise.

• **Glencadam 21 Year — Highland Single Malt — \$63 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GCD21**

Long time in **ex-Bourbon American oak** deepens honeyed malt into polished almond, baked

apple and gentle spice while keeping the palate buoyant and clean. The finish is extended, dry-edged and composed. As the mature voice of Glencadam, the 21 shows how age can amplify delicacy rather than smother it—texture, clarity and calm power in measured balance.

Glendronach, like Benriach, is under the artful expertise of Master Blender Rachel Barrie. Heavily dedicated to maturing the distillate in Spanish oak-made Sherry casks of first and second fill from Bodega Jose y Miguel Martin, Glendronach, or ‘valley of the brambles’, is oily, rich, complex, powerful, yet always friendly. Every mark in the core lineup is phenomenal, and their special single cask bottlings are pieces of art.

• **GlenDronach ‘Port Wood’ — Second Maturation in Port Pipes — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GDRPW**

Ex-Bourbon and sherry casks set the base, then a second maturation in Port pipes layers black cherry, raspberry conserve and cedar spice over the distillery’s rich malt core; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. The palate reads plush yet disciplined, fruit broadened by fine, dry oak. Introduced under Master Blender Rachel Barrie as a rare Port-led detour for this sherry house, it shows breadth without abandoning identity.

• **GlenDronach 12 Year ‘Original’ — PX & Oloroso Sherry Casks — \$29 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GDR12**

Pedro Ximénez and Oloroso sherry casks drive the profile from start to finish, giving dark honey, orange peel and cocoa over a steady malt spine; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. Oak sits structured but calm. As the gateway to the range, the 12 sketches the house’s sherry-first identity in clear lines—inviting, layered, and unmistakably GlenDronach.

• **GlenDronach 15 Year ‘Revival’ — PX & Oloroso Sherry Casks — \$43 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GDR15**

Long maturation in **Oloroso and PX casks** deepens fruit and texture—fig cake, burnt orange and walnut—with a dry, spice-led close; natural colour and non-chill-filtered. The spirit’s weight feels composed rather than heavy. Returned to the lineup after its hiatus, the 15 reads like classic GlenDronach turned a shade darker—sherry power harnessed to clarity and length.

• **GlenDronach 21 Year ‘Parliament’ — PX & Oloroso Sherry Casks — \$133 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GDR21**

Two decades in **Pedro Ximénez and Oloroso** casks yield plum, polished oak and winter spice over a silken, stately palate; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Sweetness stays in check as dry tannin and cedar shape the finish. As the range’s elder statesman, Parliament expresses the house style in full sentences—depth, fragrance and quiet authority.

• **GlenDronach 27 Year — 1976 ‘Mission IV’ (Murray McDavid) — \$562 — 92.0 proof / 46.0% ABV — #GDR-1976-MM-496/600**

With maturation occurring exclusively in ex bourbon cask, this single cask plays old school. Nuanced aromas of polished oak, dark fruit, malt, and herbal tea highlight a subtle, complex palate and long finish. This bottle represents a rare snapshot of pre-revival GlenDronach presented at elegant strength.

• **GlenDronach 27 Year — 1990 - 2017 Single Cask (Sherry Butt 2257) — \$444 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV — #GDR-1990-2257-284/451**

Released from a single sherry butt filling 451 bottles at cask strength, this iteration of GlenDronach 27 displays rich black cherry and cocoa folding into leathery spice. A long finish characterized by brown sugar and malt emphasizes the depth of a distillate that does not present with extreme weight.

• **GlenDronach 25 Years — 1991 ‘Kingsman Edition’ — \$350 — 96.4 proof / 48.2% ABV — #GDR-1991-KING-572/2137**

Blended from several sherry butts to create a tie-in for ‘The Kingsman: The Golden Circle’ and the second edition of the GlenDronach 25 Year in this design. A velvet texture from extended aging in Sherry seasoned oak delivers damson, leather and fragrant oak aromas alongside orange, plum, and malt.

• **GlenDronach 24 Years — 1993 - 2017 Single Cask (Sherry Butt 415) — \$438 — 103.6 proof / 51.8% ABV — #GDR-1993-415-501/632**

This high-proof single cask bottling characterizes the GlenDronach style. Dark-fruit richness and cocoa are balanced by waxy citrus and polished spice, leading into a long finish.

• **GlenDronach 20 Years — 1994 - 2014 Single Cask (PX Puncheon) — \$334 — 109.6 proof / 54.8% ABV — #GDR-1994-PX-2822-504/660**

This U.K. exclusive bottling was aged entirely in PX Sherry cask, this cask strength whisky developed massive dark fruit aromas and rich body. Expect dark-cherry richness, cocoa and polished spice around a steady malt core.

• **GlenDronach 19 Years — 1995 → 2014 Single Cask (Oloroso Butt) — \$331 — 111.4 proof / 55.7% ABV — #GDR-1995-OL-2381-482/627**

The profile of this single cask whisky is classically GlenDronach: raisined fruit, walnut and leather over bright malt and wax, finishing long and precise. Part of the sought-after mid-2010s OB single-cask era, it captures the 1995 vintage in a firm, spirit-first register.

• **GlenDronach 11 Years — 2003 → 2014 Single Cask (PX Puncheon) — \$124 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV — #GDR-2003-PX-483/609**

A young whisky aged entirely in PX Sherry puncheon. Bright and youthful, the fig jam, cocoa and clove aromas play loudly on top of a vigorous malt line before a clean, dry landing. A short-age single cask that proves the house’s PX influence can be vivid without turning sweet or heavy.

• **GlenDronach 12 Years — 2007 → 2020 Single Cask ‘NYC Edition’ (PX Puncheon #1901) — \$98 — 122 proof / 61.0% ABV — #GDR-2007-PX-1901-322/604**

Bottled single Pedro Ximénez sherry puncheon, this special New York City release emphasizes richness. Dense chocolate, black cherry and toasted spice ride a powerful, oil-satin palate. This entry is a modern, high-impact statement of the distillery’s sherry identity.

• **GlenDronach Grandeur 24 Years — Batch 9 — \$346 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #GDR-GR-B9-038/1487**

Composed from Spanish-oak sherry casks across 1990, 1992 and 1993, ‘Batch 9’ was bottled in 2018 with natural color and at cask strength. Baked quince, cocoa and roast chestnuts encapsulate a waxy malt core before a long and complex finish.

• **GlenDronach 28 Years — Grandeur Batch 11 — \$452 — 97.8 proof / 48.9% ABV — #GDR-GR-B11-103/3181**

Matured fully in Oloroso sherry casks from undisclosed vintages, this livelier iteration of 'Grandeur' plays citrus forward. Plum, espresso and orange-oil richness glide over leather and walnut with a tea-leaf-dry close.

• **GlenDronach 29 Years — Grandeur Batch 12 — \$588 — 98.4 proof / 49.2% ABV — #GDR-GR-B12-160/2940**

Selected from Spanish Oak Oloroso sherry casks. Deep and engaging notes of plum, dark cacao and orange zest lead before a savory bramble espresso mid-palate. The finish presents with incorporated dried fruits, espresso, and red cherry richness.

• **GlenDronach 29 Years — Single Cask (Oloroso Puncheon #2153) 1992 - 2022 — \$612 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV — #GDR-1992-2153-166/675**

A companion piece to the Single Cask PX Puncheon distilled the same year and equally matured, this whisky shows black cherry, molasses and saddle-leather epitomize this single Oloroso puncheon. Complexity and depth characterize the cask, leading to a pronounced, lifting malt quality and balanced finish.

• **GlenDronach 29 Years — Single Cask (PX Puncheon #5866) 1992 - 2022 — \$612 — 100.8 proof / 50.4% ABV — #GDR-1992-5866-062/629**

Released alongside the Single Cask Oloroso Puncheon of the same production and bottling years, the PX brings fig, cocoa and sweet spice to a wax-malt backbone. The finish tilts richer with a lingering oily finish while staying identifiably GlenDronach.

• **GlenDronach Cask Strength — Batch 10 — \$40 — 117.2 proof / 58.6% ABV — #GDR-CS-B10**

Fully matured in Oloroso and Pedro Ximénez sherry casks and bottled at natural cask strength with no chill-filtration and no age statement. Dark fruitcake, roasted nuts and baking spice offer a wide palate while the finish is firm and clean.

• **GlenDronach 10 Years Port Wood — \$37 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GDR-PW**

The whisky in this youthful Glendronach was finished in Port pipes for a limited release to explore fruit-driven spirit profiles. Notes of blackberry compote, orange peel and gingerbread play against sandalwood and cocoa.

• **The Singleton of Glendullan 12 Year — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #SDL12**

American-oak ex-Bourbon casks (refill and re-char) frame a light, orchard-led spirit, with a touch of European oak for subtle spice. Pear, vanilla cream and malt biscuit move over a clean, mid-weight palate. Introduced as the most approachable of the Singleton trio, Glendullan's 12 sets the house's easy, fruity cadence—Speyside clarity aimed squarely at everyday enjoyment.

• **The Singleton of Glendullan 15 Year — \$28 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #SDL15**

Built on long ex-Bourbon maturation with select European-oak influence to deepen tone, the profile turns richer but stays bright: baked apple, toffee and gentle nut-spice over a supple glide. As the range's step-up, the 15 adds length and polish while keeping Glendullan's soft, orchard-led identity firmly in view.

• **The Singleton of Glendullan 18 Year — \$38 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #SDL18**

Refill American oak preserves distillate purity while seasoned European oak contributes quiet structure and dry spice. Honeyed citrus, almond and light cedar unfold with calm authority.

Positioned as the mature voice of Glendullan, the 18 shows how time can amplify softness into resonance—elegant, composed, and distinctly Singleton.

Glenfarclas is curiously not so well-known in the US, in spite of its super-star fame just about everywhere else...family-owned, focused on Sherry cask maturation, affordable, and so beautifully made for every mark in the range, what else can you dream of? Long fermentations, direct heating of the stills, higher-than-standard filling strength, dunnage warehouses...those are some specifics that may explain Glenfarclas' superior style. And everybody agrees on the sole use of European oak-made Oloroso Sherry casks as a key element to 'the valley of the green grass' success. The malt has depth and balance...it makes the world go round.

• **Glenfarclas 10 Year — Sherry Cask — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GF10**

Matured in traditional Oloroso sherry casks, the spirit stays buoyant and barley-forward while the wood adds nutty sweetness and gentle dried fruit. Apple skin, toasted malt and soft spice carry through a tidy, dry-tinged finish. As the gateway to Glenfarclas, the 10 sketches classic family-owned Speyside sherry style in clear, inviting lines.

• **Glenfarclas 12 Year — Sherry Cask — \$29 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GF12**

Oloroso sherry casks lead from start to finish, lending orange peel, walnut and toffee around a firm malt core. The palate gains weight and length over the 10 yet keeps its clean, dry finish. A staple in many bars, the 12 embodies Glenfarclas's independent house promise—straightforward sherry maturity anchored by bright, traditional spirit.

• **Glenfarclas 17 Year — \$57 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GF17**

Oloroso sherry casks carry orchard fruit into walnut, orange oil and gentle spice over a firm, barley-bright core; natural colour and traditional dunnage aging keep the texture poised. The palate reads generous yet dry-edged, finishing with polished oak and malt warmth. Sitting between the easy 12 and the stately 25, the 17 is the connoisseur's 'daily special'—classic family-run sherry style with extra length and lift.

• **Glenfarclas 25 Year — \$115 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GF25**

Extended maturation in Oloroso sherry casks shapes fig, honeyed walnut and cedar around a calm, silky spirit line; sweetness stays restrained, the finish long and dry-spiced. The depth comes from time, not cosmetic wood. As a benchmark of traditional Speyside sherry maturity—made and owned by the same family—it shows how patience translates into resonance rather than weight.

• **Glenfarclas '105' — 10 Year, Cask Strength (Sherry Casks) — \$48 — cask strength — #GF105-10**

Oloroso-led sherry casks give treacle, roasted nut and orange peel over a muscular, malt-forward chassis; bottled at natural strength with no chill filtration. Water teases out cocoa and dried fruit without turning the palate sweet. A rarer age-stamped take on the 105 legend, this 10 year ties the house's high-proof cult favorite back to its roots—clarity of spirit meeting honest sherry power.

• **Glenfarclas 15 Years — '100 Proof' (TWE Exclusive) — \$56 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV — #GF-15-100P**

Bottled exclusively for The Whisky Exchange from the typical Glenfarclas 15 Year at cask strength and without chill filtering or color adjustment. Treacle, orange marmalade and sultana ride a lightly smoky, wax-polished malt line to a tidy, dry finish. This beloved one-off amplifies the classic 15 Year's profile without losing Glenfarclas balance.

• **Glenfarclas 37 Years — The Family Casks (Sherry Butt #566) — 1970 - 2007 — \$885 — 107.2 proof / 53.6% ABV — #GF-1970-566**

This bottling is part of a series begun by Glenfarclas to highlight filled old-vintage single casks that have remained in the family collection. This production offers fruitcake, dark cocoa and polished oak unfolding over beeswaxed malt. The finish is long, smooth, and delicately integrated.

• **Glenfarclas 24 Years 1990 — K&L Exclusive — \$124 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #GF-1990-KL**

This 1990 vintage composed from two first-fill sherry butts was bottled overproof for K&L Wine Merchants. The classic Glenfarclas aromas appear louder due to the higher ABV, presenting dark berries, toffee and warm spice across a mouth-filling palate.

• **Glenfarclas 30 Years — \$325 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GF-30**

Marzipan and citrus oils lead with dried fruit over a smooth, well aged malty body in this long maturation whisky. The close is lingering and elegant with cocoa and spice taking the lead.

Glenfiddich, 'the valley of the deer', paved the way for single malt Scotch to be such a strong category today! Offering 'straight' whiskies in the 60's, instead of filling blenders' needs, was certainly a bold move, but eventually paid off! The Speyside distillery, #1 seller in the world, is property of the private company William Grant & sons, along with Balvenie, is popular for a reason: it's unpeated, easy and delicate, with orchards notes throughout the range.

• **Glenfiddich 15 Year 'Solera Reserve' — \$32 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GFD15SOL**

Ex-Bourbon, Oloroso sherry and new oak all play their part, then the whisky is married in a continuous **Solera vat** to build consistency and depth. Honeyed pear, toffee and warm spice glide on a supple, polished palate. Introduced in the 1990s, it pioneered Solera marrying in Scotch—a stylistic milestone that broadened Glenfiddich's orchard-led profile without sacrificing elegance.

• **Glenfiddich 18 Year 'Small Batch Reserve' — \$57 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GFD18SBR**

Oloroso sherry and ex-Bourbon casks are selected and married in small batches to emphasize balance over sheer oak. Baked apple, citrus zest and almond toffee move with composed, medium-weight breadth, the finish trim and dry. As a carefully batched elder in the core range, it refines Glenfiddich's house sweetness into measured maturity—familiar fruit, now speaking in a lower, longer register.

• **Glenfiddich 21 Year 'Gran Reserva' — Rum Cask Finish — \$94 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GFD21GR**

Ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a finishing spell in Caribbean rum casks layers molasses, pineapple and toasted spice onto Glenfiddich's pear-and-malt core. The palate reads satin and composed, sweetness trimmed by a dry, oaky close. As the range's celebratory bottling, it extends the orchard-led house style into a tropical register without losing elegance.

• **Glenfiddich 26 Year — Excellence — \$134 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #8366487323**

This iteration of Glenfiddich is matured exclusively in ex-Bourbon barrels for a clean, vanilla-forward frame. Orchard-fruit spirit line in front; natural, elegant presentation. Texture is satin and poised—honeyed citrus, crème anglaise and gentle oak spice—finishing long and dry. A modern age-statement pillar from Glenfiddich, it shows house finesse at mature age without a wine or sherry finish.

• **Glenfiddich 26 Year Grande Couronne — 26 Years — \$136 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #GF-26-GC**

One of several expressions in the distillery's limited production 'Grand Series.' Once initial maturation is complete, the spirit for this bottling is finished in Cognac casks. Patisserie notes and café-crème richness accompany cocoa-dusted sweetness, brown sugar and soft spice.

• **Glenglassaugh 46 Years — Vintage 1975 — \$1,100/2,200 — 83.4 proof / 41.7% ABV — #GGS-1975-1978**

Taken from a single ex-Bourbon barrel prior to the distillery's revival, this coastal aged whisky characterizes a unique and comprehensive maturation. Tropical fruit and honeyed malt ride a saline, coastal line with old-oak polish and a classic, lingering finish.

• **Glen Grant 50 Years — Gordon & MacPhail - 1956 - 2006 — \$820/\$1,640 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GG-1956-50**

Long aged exclusively in Oloroso sherry casks and bottled at 40%, this half-century Glen Grant layers fruitcake, orange oil and walnut over beeswaxed malt. The finish is moderate, presenting a composed and classic G&M bottling from the Old Speyside style.

• **Glen Grant 48 Years — Gordon & MacPhail - 1965 - 2013 — \$700/\$1,400 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GG-1965-48**

This G&M independent bottling was matured in a mix of refill sherry butt and ex-Bourbon hogsheads. Delicate Sherry tones of stewed fruit, and cocoa combine with the fruit and vanilla of ex-Bourbon on a satin body in a low-intervention whisky presented at a moderate proof.

• **Glen Grant 23 Years — 'Signatory Vintage – Dun Eideann' Cask #689 — 1972 - 1995— \$152 — 111.6 proof / 55.8% ABV — #SV-1972-689**

Named after the Scottish Gaelic name for Edinburgh, this single Sherry cask is dominated by weighty, polished fruit aromas. Notes of fig, orange oil and cocoa complement baking spice and plum on a fruit driven palate and finish. This iteration of the 1972 Glen Grant vintage is significantly different in profile from other examples, marking a significant opportunity to taste the Signatory Vintage approach.

• **Glengoyne 12 Year — \$18 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GGY12**

Ex-Bourbon and sherry-seasoned casks frame an unpeated Highland make—honeyed apple, lemon curd and almond toffee over a polished glide; natural colour. Oak supports rather than steers. As the gateway to Glengoyne's slow-distilled style, it favors clarity and finesse over heft, setting the tone for the older sherry-led expressions.

• **Glengoyne 25 Year — \$212 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #GGY25**

Long maturation in European-oak Oloroso sherry casks (with refill support) unfurls fig, cocoa and polished cedar around a silken, weightless palate; natural colour. Sweetness stays

disciplined as dry spice shapes the close. The house's modern icon, it proves Glengoyne's unpeated spirit can carry deep sherry tone with poise rather than density.

The Glenlivet began its journey in distillation by producing whisky illegally. King George IV famously drank the spirit during a visit to Edinburgh in 1822 that led to the Excise Act of 1823. In 1824, much to the chagrin of other illegal distillers and locals, Glenlivet received the first license to distill spirits in Speyside following the Excise Act. The distillery became popular for its departure from the rich, heavy whiskies of the time and its production of lighter, tropically fruited spirit. Over time, the distillery had to rename its product 'The' Glenlivet in order to distinguish itself from competitors also using their name. The style persists today and The Glenlivet is one of the most consumed Scotch whiskies in the world.

• **Glenlivet 25 Year — First-Fill Sherry Cask Finish — \$223 — ABV TBC — #GLV25**

American-oak maturation provides the bright, orchard-driven chassis before a finishing period in first-fill sherry casks adds sultana, walnut and orange-peel depth. The texture stays sleek, the finish long and dry-edged. As the stately elder of the core lineup, it reframes Glenlivet's polished style through a richer, sherry-toned lens while preserving that hallmark silky glide.

Glenmorangie is quite unique: high reflux created by tall, narrow necks (the 'giraffe stills') make for a light and fruity malt enjoyed by most. Dr Bill Lumsden, the whisky creator for Moët Hennessy in charge of both Ardbeg and Glenmorangie, uses this base as canvas to draw different landscapes on: a Sherry finish here, a toasted barley there...Glenmorangie certainly pioneered the sale of 'finishes' in the early nineties and is still considered one of the most innovative single malt Scotch brands. The distillery mainly matures its malts in ex-Bourbon barrels, or ex-Jack Daniels barrels, but has plenty of 'exotic' casks in its warehouses: Sauternes, Marsala, Madeira, rye whiskey and many more. Vanilla, lemon zest, crème brûlée are common notes found across the range.

• **Glenmorangie 'The Original' — 12 Year — ex-Bourbon Casks — \$26 — ABV TBC — #GLM12OR**

First-fill and refill ex-Bourbon casks keep citrus, vanilla cream and honeyed barley vivid over a feather-light, clean palate. Wood speaks softly; texture and brightness lead. As the brand's foundational voice, it shows Glenmorangie's tall-still finesse in its purest register—elegant, relaxed, unmistakably Highland.

• **Glenmorangie — 18 Year 'The Infinita' — \$59 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GLM18INF**

Long maturation in American-oak ex-Bourbon casks with a **portion second-matured in Oloroso sherry casks** before final composition; natural colour. Orange oil, vanilla cream and honeyed malt glide into polished nut-spice, the finish dry-edged and calm. Introduced in the brand's modern era under **Dr. Bill Lumsden's** cask-led stewardship, it shows Glenmorangie's tall-still finesse stretched into serene length rather than weight.

• **Glenmorangie — 'The Nectar' 16 Year (Sweet White-Wine Casks) — \$39 — ABV TBC — #GLM16NEC**

Extended American-oak maturation, then a **finish in Sauternes-style sweet white-wine casks** to layer apricot, acacia honey and almond over the distillery's lemon-vanilla line; natural colour.

The palate reads plush yet poised, with a gently spiced, dry close. As the evolution of the house's wine-finish idea, it deepens dessert tones while keeping the signature lightness intact.

• **Glenmorangie — 'Quinta Ruban' 14 Year (Port Wood Finish) — \$32 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GLM14QR**

American-oak ex-Bourbon first, then **Ruby Port pipes** build black-cherry, cocoa and mint-edged spice around bright citrus malt; natural colour. Texture turns velvety but stays fresh, brine and cacao steering the finish dry. Within the core line, Quinta Ruban paints Glenmorangie's elegance in richer colours without tipping sweet.

• **Glenmorangie — 'A Tale of Tokyo' (Mizunara, Bourbon & Sherry) — \$34 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GLMTOKYO**

Composed from parcels matured in **Mizunara oak** alongside American-oak ex-Bourbon and sherry-seasoned casks; natural colour. Incense, citrus peel and cocoa meet a silky, gently drying finish, Mizunara's sandalwood lift threading through the malt. As a narrative release in the Tales series, it folds a distinctive Japanese oak voice into the tall-still elegance without losing focus.

• **Glenmorangie — 'Signet' (Chocolate Malt) — \$107 — ABV TBC — #GLMSIGNET**

Built around a portion of **high-roast 'chocolate malt'** spirit, integrated with long-aged ex-Bourbon and sherry-seasoned stocks; natural colour. Espresso, dark cocoa and orange oil ride a plush, polished palate that finishes dry and cedary. A modern house icon, Signet shows how roast level in the mash can shape texture and flavor as profoundly as cask.

• **Glenmorangie — 'Signet Reserve' (PX Sherry Finish) — \$132 — ABV TBC — #GLMSIGNETPX**

Chocolate-malt-led composition matured in ex-Bourbon and sherry stocks, **finished in Pedro Ximénez** casks for date-rich depth; natural colour. Mocha, fig and spiced orange glide with satin weight, a clean mineral snap trimming the close. As an extended chapter of the Signet idea, the PX accent deepens dessert tones while preserving the line's dry, architectural finish.

• **Glenmorangie 10 Years — 'The Original' — \$26 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-OR10**

Vanilla, citrus, and honeyed malt characterize the entrance into Glenmorangie's age statements. The texture stays silk-light yet persistent with a dry, almond-tinged finish that keeps the fruit precise.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — 'Barrel Select Release Calvados Cask Finish' — 2024 — \$43 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-CAL12**

The addition of Calvados casks as a finishing component layers apple and pear complexity over the distillery's vanilla-malt core. Sweet and savory notes of apple tarte tatin, pastry, and gentle spice lead to a crisp, drying exit. The result is an especially unique example of Glenmorangie's typically rich and long-finishing spirit.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — 'Côte d'Or Burgundy Cask Finish' — \$96 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-BURG12**

Finishing in Côte d'Or Burgundy wine wood for red-berry lift, soft tannins and faint cocoa lean forward and present over lemon-honey malt. The structure is tight and savory, standing as a reference point for the early Wood Finish era at the distillery.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — ‘Madeira Wood Finish’ — \$94 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-MAD12**

Madeira-wine cask finishing folds in brûléed citrus, toasted nuts and a wax-tinged sweetness over the airy Glenmorangie frame. The palate turns satin-smooth, then dries neatly with spice and peel.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — ‘Malaga Cask Finish’ — 2021 — \$85 — 94.6 proof / 47.3% ABV — #GM-MAL12**

A rare cask used in the production of a Spanish sweet wine known as Malaga is used to finish the spirit in this ‘Wood Finish’ series bottling. The result is the introduction of nougat, golden raisin and almond-cream notes to the citrus-bright spirit. It finishes with a supple mid-palate and pastry-spice finish.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — Nectar D’Or (Sauternes Cask Finish) — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-ND12**

A special bottling using Sauternes casks as the finish brings sweet orchard fruit, acacia honey and crème brûlée notes to a typical fruit-driven palate. Pastry spice and citrus peel taper to a clean, easy finish.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — Port Wood Finish — \$44 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-PWF12**

Port pipes used to finish this whisky set red-berry brightness and cocoa against a lemon-honey malt. The palate stays taut but gains light tannin notes that lead to a tea leaf influenced finish.

• **Glenmorangie 12 Years — Quinta Ruban (Port Cask) — \$32 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-QR12**

The use of Ruby Port casks as a finishing element introduces dark chocolate, blackcurrant and mint to the vanilla-citrus core. The texture remains plush yet composed, offering a richer counterpoint to the classic Port Wood Finish.

• **Glenmorangie 13 Years — Cognac Cask Finish — 1998 - 2021 — \$49 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-COG13**

This vintage bottling finished in well-seasoned Cognac casks for four years to provide pastry, candied citrus and rancio-tinged oak around lemon-honey malt. The mid-palate widens without going sweet, though the finish leans into oak spice and hints of red fruit.

• **Glenmorangie 14 Year — Cognac Matured (Bottled 1999) — \$72 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-COGNAC-46/850**

Fully matured for 14 years in a single Cognac cask, only 850 bottles were released during bottling. Notes of almond crème, candied citrus, dark chocolate, and savory oak spice can be found alongside honey and fresh leather. This plays notably drier than the typical Glenmorangie, leaning into baking spice on the palate and finish.

• **Glenmorangie 15 Years — \$92 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-15**

This 15 Year aged example of the Glenmorangie core lineup presents with vanilla, lemon oil and honeyed malt over a lightly oaked frame. Though discontinued, this age statement is prized by fans as a slightly weightier take on ‘The Original’ and its ex-Bourbon clarity.

• **Glenmorangie 15 Years ‘Artein’ — Private Edition (2012) — \$118 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-ARTEIN**

This whisky is built with 66% 15 year old whisky and 34% 21 year old whisky aged in Super-Tuscan red-wine casks from Tenuta San Guido (Sassicaia). Classic red wine cask notes are introduced to the Glenmorangie flavor, with red-berry lift and creamy baked notes complementing the candied orange and tangerine. This is the third of the 'Private Editions,' named 'Stone' in Scottish Gaelic to represent the soil type of Bolgheri.

• **Glenmorangie 22 Years — 150th Anniversary — 1971 - 1993 — \$255 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-1971-150**

This special anniversary edition was aged in Sherry butt to create an elegant vintage depiction. Orange oil, fruitcake and beeswax sit on a calm, oak-polished palate and lead into a long, fruity finish with hints of spice.

• **Glenmorangie 25 Years — 'Tain N.B.' — 1974 — 1999 — \$562 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-1974-NB-1951/2000**

This classic vintage was released in a 2,000 bottle production and labeled in the traditional name of Scotland used in the 18th and 19th Centuries (Tain, North Britain). The expected core of citrus, honeyed grain and wax is present while quiet old-oak spice guides a clean, mineral finish. A millennium-era vintage that captures mature Glenmorangie with grace rather than weight.

• **Glenmorangie 28 Year — 'Tain L'Hermitage' — 1975 - 2003 — \$863 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-1975-HER-3566**

A tongue-in-cheek naming referencing the old name for Scotland with the prestigious winemaking commune of Tain l'Hermitage in the Rhone Valley, this whisky spent several years finishing Hermitage red-wine casks. Dark cherry, cocoa and pastry spice broaden the palate before a moderate and integrated finish.

• **Glenmorangie 17 Years — 1979 - 1996 Vintage Release — \$227 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GM-1979-17**

This limited release exploring the 1919 vintage is characterized by a lightly oaked frame. Issued when the distillery was transitioning from two stills to four, it's a clean, pre-finish snapshot of classic '90s Glenmorangie.

• **Glenmorangie — Grand Vintage (Bond House No.1) — 1989- 2017— \$552 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-GV-1989-0233/6178**

Select parcels from the traditional Glenmorangie ex-Bourbon maturation were finished in Côte-Rôtie wine casks before being re-integrated with additional ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry finished distillate. Complexity is added in the form of cocoa dust and dried black and red fruit.

• **Glenmorangie — Grand Vintage (Bond House No.1) — 1991 — 2018— \$528 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-GV-1991-4341/7551**

This whisky was finished for over a decade in Oloroso sherry and Burgundy casks before a small amount of spirit matured in virgin American oak was added to soften the spirit. Aromas of milk-chocolate, plum and spice characterize this richer style found here.

• **Glenmorangie — Grand Vintage (Bond House No.1) — 1996 — 2019 — \$549 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-GV-1996-2169**

Matured exclusively in first-fill ex-bourbon casks from slow-grown Ozark oak, then bottled in 2019 with natural color and no chill-filtration; Bottle # 2,169 of 10,150. Vanilla custard, citrus oil

and honeyed malt glide over polished oak, the finish tea-leaf dry and precise. The sixth Bond House No.1 entry celebrates bourbon-led purity as a definitive 1990s Glenmorangie statement.

• **Glenmorangie Grand Vintage (Bond House No.1) — 1998 — 2022 — \$552 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-GV-1998**

The 2022 bottling of the 'Grand Vintage' was composed from parcels aged in new American oak and classic ex-bourbon stocks with a portion finished in Oloroso Sherry cask. Chocolate-orange, vanilla cream and gingered spice push forward to a long finish. This vintage was distilled the year Dr. Bill Lumsden took the helm, codifying early new-char experiments as part of the house lexicon.

• **Glenmorangie 25 Years — 'The Altus' — \$558 — 86 proof / 43.0% ABV — #GM-25-ALTUS**

A portion of house distillate was finished in Malmsey Madeira and married back into ex-Bourbon stock. Surprising high-tine aromas of peach, orange blossom, and banana bread deliver a characterful experience in this special release whisky. As the house's contemporary 25-year chapter, Altus reframes Glenmorangie's bourbon-led elegance through a subtle Madeira accent.

• **Glenmorangie 25 Years — Málaga Wood Finish — \$460 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-25-MAL**

Spending one year in Málaga wine casks to finish, this example of the Malaga Wood Finish is exemplified by caramelized fruit, marzipan, and fig. Polished spice and a velvety texture round out the luxurious and elegant experience.

• **Glenmorangie 'A Tale of Cake' — 2020 Limited Edition — \$34 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-TALE-CAKE-2020**

Designed alongside chef Dominique Ansel for a dessert pairing, Tokaji sweet wine casks are used as the finishing component to introduce deeper layers of honey and stone fruit to the spirit. White chocolate, baking spice, and a juicy acidity lead to a moderate length exit. This is the first edition in the 'A Tale Of...' line.

• **Glenmorangie 'A Tale of Ice Cream' — 2024 Limited Edition — \$36 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-TALE-ICE-2024**

The barrels used to finish this whisky are oak that were specially toasted to maximize vanillin extraction in the distillate. Flavors typical of new American oak are loud, with vanilla, coconut, and peaches leading the aromatic intensity. Sweet-leaning but composed, it channels an old-school ice-cream-parlor vibe without turning heavy.

• **Glenmorangie 'Astar' — The Pursuit of Perfection — 2017 Release — \$69 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV — #GM-ASTAR-2017**

The oak barrels used in this production were designed exclusively for Glenmorangie. Slow-grown Ozark oak was air seasoned, heavily toasted, and filled with Bourbon for four years explicitly to remove tannins. The barrels were then transferred to Glenmorangie and filled with house distillate, resulting in high clarity vanilla cream, citrus oils, ginger, and almond toffee lift over a silken palate.

• **Glenmorangie 10 Years — Cellar 13 — \$92 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-C13**

Rested in the seaside Warehouse 13 and released originally as a duty-free exclusive, expect bright vanilla, citrus and honeyed malt with a faint saline lift and a clean, dry close.

• **Glenmorangie Claret Wood Finish — 1976/1979 — \$89 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-CLARET**

Often called Claret in the U.K., Bordeaux casks from Pauillac were used as the finishing element for this whisky. Cocoa, red fruit, and gentle tannin frame the quintessential Glenmorangie lemon-honey malt.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Dornoch’ — Limited Edition (2014) — \$137 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-DORNOCH**

Incorporating a touch of lightly peated spirit and finished in Amontillado Sherry casks, the ‘Dornoch’ (‘Dark’) was released in support of marine conservation as a travel retail exclusive. Heathered honey and citrus meet nutty sherry tones and a wisp of smoke.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Sonnalta PX’ — Private Edition No.1 (2009) — \$128 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PC-SONNALTA**

Prepared for travel retail with a Pedro Ximénez Sherry finish, the darker fig, raisin and cocoa notes add density and richness. This bottling debuted the Private Edition and introduced consumers to the identity of Glenmorangie’s modern era finishing program.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Finealta’ — Private Edition No.2 (2010/2011) — \$127 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-FINEALTA**

Aged in both ex-Bourbon and Oloroso Sherry casks from lightly peated grain, ‘Finealta’ was an attempt to recreate an archived 1903 house recipe. Vanilla pudding, nuts, toasted marshmallows, and dried orchard fruit with hints of peat texture and smoke deliver an essential, classic tasting experience.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Artein’ — Private Edition No. 3 (2012) — 15 Years — \$127 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-ARTEIN**

Composed primarily of **15-year** Glenmorangie with a **portion of 21-year** spirit, first matured in **ex-bourbon** casks and then **finished in Super Tuscan red-wine casks; non-chill-filtered**. The wine wood adds red-berry gloss, cocoa and patisserie notes to the lemon-honey core, landing satin-smooth and neatly dry. Named for the Gaelic word ‘**stone**,’ it nods to the **Hilton of Cadboll** stone and Tarlogie’s limestone-filtered water—**Private Edition No. 3** that cemented fine-wine finishing in the modern Glenmorangie playbook.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Ealanta’ — Private Edition No. 4 — 1993 - 2012 — \$132 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-EAL-1993**

Aged for 19 years exclusively in heavily charred virgin American white oak from Missouri, this whisky highlights cream-soda sweetness, orange oils and vanilla delivered on a frame of polished oak.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Companta’ — Private Edition No. 5 (2014) — \$143 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-COM**

This whisky was finished in a pair of French red wine casks, one each from the Clos de Tart Grand Cru and the fortified red wine AOC Rasteau. The resulting spirit is satin-textured and malty with black-cherry, cocoa, and spice.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Tùsail’ — Private Edition No. 6 (2015) — \$152 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-TUSAIL**

Sourced from a rare barley named Maris Otter which fell out of favor in the 1980s, the unique

character of this grain developed intense nuttiness, gingerbread, toasted oats, and sweet spice on a long, velvety finish.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Milsean’ — Private Edition No. 7 (2016) — \$165 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-MILSEAN**

Re-toasted Portuguese red-wine barriques finish this whisky to draw out candy-shop fruit, gingered spice and a gloss of pastry. The whisky remains satin and composed through the finish with hints of lemon drop.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Bacalta’ — Private Edition No. 8 (2017) — \$167 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-BACALTA**

For this edition, heavily toasted American oak barrels were seasoned with Malmsey Madeira and baked in sunlight on the island of Madeira for two years. The result was a dense and concentrated palate with marmalade, baking spice, caramelized apricots, and white chocolate notes.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Spìos’ — Private Edition No. 9 (2018) — \$167 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-PE-SPIOS**

Fully matured in ex-American rye whiskey casks, ‘Spìos’ leans into the spice and pepper qualities of rye. Cinnamon, clove, nutmeg, and almond gain a sweeter aromatic boost from vanilla and toffee notes.

• **Glenmorangie ‘Allta’ — Private Edition No.10 (2019) — 167 — 102.4 proof / 51.2% ABV — #GM-ALLTA-2019**

This whisky explores the potential of wild yeast discovered on local Cadboll barley used in the spirit’s fermentation. The presentation is creamy and yeasty, showing butter candy, orange slice, fig, and baked bread aromas.

• **Glenmorangie Legends ‘The Duthac’ — \$37 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-LEG-DUTHAC**

Named after a church near to the Glenmorangie distillery and referencing the pilgrimage historically taken to it, the spirit was finished separately in Pedro Ximénez sherry and charred virgin oak before being married. Cocoa, raisin and toasted oak enrich the vanilla-citrus core, while the finish delivers baking spice and lingering stone fruit.

• **Glenmorangie Legends ‘The Tayne’ — \$38 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-LEG-TAYNE**

Using Amontillado Sherry casks to finish this whisky, ‘The Tayne’ references the story of a Spanish Galleon sunk in the 16th Century. Uncharacteristic for Glenmorangie, expect notes of roasted nuts, tobacco, ginger, and dark chocolate on a lighter palate.

• **Glenmorangie Legends ‘The Cadboll’ — \$40 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-LEG-CADBOLL**

French sweet-wine barriques that once held Muscat and Sémillon are the finishing components here, inspired by Scottish artifact The Cadboll Cup. This whisky has a distinctly dessert-like quality with lemon curd, brioche, toffee, and vanilla balanced by floral aromas.

• **Glenmorangie Legends ‘The Tarlogan’ — Limited Edition — \$55 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GM-LEG-TARLOGAN**

Named to commemorate the Tarlogan Spring, Glenmorangie’s water source since 1843, virgin-

oak casks were used to keep the spirit bright and textural. Typical notes are accompanied by spicy tannins and an emphasis on vanilla and coconut.

• **Glenmorangie ‘The Taghta’ — Crowd-Sourced Release — \$55 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-TAGHTA**

This whisky, named ‘The Chosen’ in Scottish Gaelic, was crowdsourced to determine the barrel selection, name, and label. A Manzanilla Sherry finish delivers saline and apple tones with leather driving the finish.

• **Glenmorangie ‘A Tale of the Forest’ — Limited Edition — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GM-FOREST**

Crafted from barley kilned with woodland botanicals (juniper berries, birch bark, heather flowers), the distillate maintains fresh pine, herb and citrus in addition to vanilla and gentle smoke.

Glenrothes was built by James Stuart & Co., who would go on to become famous for their work at nearby The Macallan, in 1879. The Glenrothes facility and production methodology is similar to The Macallan: the same style of ex-Sherry casks are used in the maturation of their whisky, which leans into rich flavors and juicier, floral, and complex territory. The distillery does have a tendency to catch on fire due to the overproof nature of the distillate, which occurred in 1897, 1903, 1922, and 1962. Nonetheless, these spirits are well balanced examples of the Speyside style when bottled.

• **Glenrothes — Select Reserve — \$23 — ABV TBC — #GRSR**

Composed from first-fill and refill **sherry-seasoned** and ex-Bourbon casks, aiming for ripe pear, vanilla cream and soft baking spice over polished malt. The palate reads gentle and rounded, finishing tidy and dry. As the approachable house introduction of its era, Select Reserve sketches Glenrothes’ orchard-and-vanilla profile without heavy oak.

• **Glenrothes — ‘Discovery’ (Gordon & MacPhail) 11 Year — Sherry Cask — \$27 — ABV TBC — #GR11DISSH**

Matured in **sherry casks** selected for the Discovery series’ ‘Sherry’ style, letting dark fruit, orange peel and nutty cocoa enrich the distillery’s pear-led spirit. Texture stays medium-weight and composed, with a clean, dry close. Within Discovery, it’s the sherry-lens study of Glenrothes—house brightness viewed through a deeper, duskier filter.

• **Glenrothes — 11 Year (A.D. Rattray, Single Sherry Butt) — \$39 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #GR11ADR**

Drawn from a single **sherry butt** and bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered and natural colour. Treacle, roasted walnut and spiced orange ride a firm malt spine, the finish cedar-dry and long. As an independent snapshot, it trades brand polish for specificity—one cask, one voice—showing Glenrothes in focused sherry tones.

• **Glenrothes — 12 Year (Sherry-Seasoned Oak Casks) — \$33 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GR12**

First-fill and refill **sherry-seasoned** oak lead, with ex-Bourbon in support, shaping honeyed pear, vanilla and gentle clove around a silky mid-palate. Sweetness stays restrained as fine, dry

oak guides the close. Positioned as the everyday age statement, it captures Glenrothes' modern house style—bright orchard fruit enriched by measured sherry depth.

• **Glenrothes — 15 Year (Sherry-Seasoned Oak Casks) — \$35 — ABV TBC — #GR15**

Sherry-seasoned European oak leads with refill ex-Bourbon in support, shaping ripe pear, orange oils and nutty cocoa over a silky mid-palate. Oak reads structured but calm, the finish precise and dry-edged. Positioned between the easy 12 and weightier 18, the 15 focuses the modern Glenrothes signature—orchard brightness deepened by measured sherry tone without tipping sweet.

• **Glenrothes — 18 Year (Sherry-Seasoned Oak Casks) — \$72 — ABV TBC — #GR18**

First-fill and refill sherry-seasoned casks broaden baked apple, treacle and clove around the distillery's vanilla-pear line, with ex-Bourbon lending lift. The palate turns velvety yet stays trim, cedar and citrus keeping balance. As the mature voice of the core range, the 18 translates house fruit into length and resonance rather than heaviness.

• **Glenrothes — 25 Year (Sherry-Seasoned Oak Casks) — \$278 — ABV TBC — #GR25**

Long residence in sherry-seasoned European oak—tempered by refill and ex-Bourbon for clarity—unfurls fig, polished walnut and orange-tea dryness over a composed, silk-textured palate. Sweetness stays disciplined as fine tannin shapes the close. Sitting at the top of the permanent range, it expresses Glenrothes' orchard-sherry dialect at full poise.

• **Glen Spey — 10 Year (Dalgety, Limited Release — Port Barriques) — \$33 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #GSP10DAL**

Refill ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a **finish in Port barriques** adds red-berry glow and cedar to Glen Spey's light, cereal-driven spirit; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. The palate reads crisp and mineral, fruit tucked into a dry, nut-spiced frame. As a Dalgety indie pick, it spotlights a rarely bottled distillery in focused, wine-accented form.

• **Glenturret — 15 Year (2023 Release) — \$53 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GTR15-2023**

Composed from American-oak ex-Bourbon and sherry-seasoned European oak, then bottled natural colour and un-chill-filtered. Honeyed malt, baked citrus and almond toffee move over a gently waxed texture, the finish firm and dry-spiced. Relaunched in the Lalique era under **Master Blender Bob Dalgarno**, this 15 shows the house's quiet Highland richness tuned for precision and length.

Linkwood distillery began its official operations in 1825 near the town of Elgin in Speyside. Nearly 50 years later, the distillery was demolished and completely rebuilt to improve volume and quality of production. The next several decades of operations see the distillery honing in on its signature fruity style. They brand themselves the Linkwood-Glenlivet company to piggyback on the success of their competitor. Several modernizations occurred but the most recent, in 2012-2013, brought the original production methods into the 21st century. Long fermentations and wide pot stills ensure the esters that defined the Linkwood fruitiness of the past persists today.

• **Linkwood — Murray McDavid (Madeira Cask Finish) — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LKWMM**

Long **ex-Bourbon** maturation, then a **Madeira wine-cask finish** adds honeyed apricot, almond

toffee and gentle spice around Linkwood's floral core; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. The palate stays silky and fresh, sweetness trimmed by a dry, nutty close. As a Murray McDavid composition—true to the bottler's wine-finish heritage—it tilts elegant Speyside fruit toward a warmer, dessert-toned register without losing lift.

• **Linkwood — 18 Year 'Woven Honor' (Orphan Barrel Series) — \$65 — ABV TBC — #LKW18WH**

Composed from **mature Linkwood casks** drawn from historic stocks, assembled to spotlight orchard fruit, vanillaed malt and polished, tea-leaf oak over a graceful glide. Texture reads satin rather than heavy, with a clean, dry finish that keeps the distillate in view. As part of Diageo's **Orphan Barrel** Scotch chapter, it frames a classic Speyside voice through a curator's lens—archive character presented with modern polish.

• **Linkwood 12 Years — 2000 - 2013 — Chieftain's Port Finish — \$48 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LW-00-CHIEF-PF**

Independent bottler Chieftain finished the typical Linkwood distillate in a Port hogshead. Candied apple, lemon peel, and delicate brown sugar notes are framed by a dense palate and a long, complex finish.

• **Linkwood 13 Years — 1997 - 2011 — Douglas of Drumlanrig — \$39 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LW-97-DOD-13**

From a single ex-Bourbon barrel sourced by Douglas Laing for this independent bottling, pear and lemon oil glide over vanilla and barley sugar in a typical, light, fruit-driven Linkwood spirit.

• **Linkwood 16 Years — 1998 - 2014 — A.D. Rattray Cask Collection — \$54 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV — #LW-98-ADR-16**

Matured exclusively in undisclosed oak, this Linkwood 16 independent bottling is assertively fruit forward with an underpinning of honeyed malt, flowers, and spice.

• **Linkwood 18 Years — 1995 - 2014 — The Maltman Port Finish — \$75 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LW-95-MALT-PF**

Aged initially in ex-Bourbon before transfer to Port casks and bottling by Meadowside Blending. Cranberry and cherry compote work alongside plums and stewed fruits with well structured tannins on the palate.

• **Linkwood 18 Years — 1997 - 2016 — The Exclusive Malts — \$79 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #LW-97-EXM-18**

Bottled from an ex-Sherry hogshead by Creative Whisky Co., this whisky expresses deeply as a Sherry influenced spirit. Dark fruit, toffee and almond fold into the distillate's pear-and-citrus poise.

• **Lismore — 15 Year (Speyside, Distillery Undisclosed) — \$28 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #LSM15**

A Speyside single malt from an unnamed distillery, **composed from ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned oak in support** to balance vanilla biscuit, pear and gentle nut-spice. The palate is rounded and easy, finishing tidy and dry-edged. As a cloaked-provenance label, it's designed to deliver classic Speyside harmony—bright malt and measured sherry tone—without the baggage of a named distillery.

Loch Lomond distillery's original foundation was set in 1814 but operations did not begin in earnest until 1965. The location was purchased by Barton Brands and the Littlemill Distillery Company, recipients of the first post-Excise Act distillation license ever issued, and also the first issued to a woman. Following a closure due to the whisky loch and several changes in ownership, Loch Lomond expanded its production to include straight neck stills alongside their traditional swan necks. Operations are overseen by Master Blender Michael Henry.

• **Loch Lomond — 12 Year (American Oak) — \$28 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LLM12**

Matured in re-charred American-oak casks, the whisky **blends multiple spirit styles** from Lomond's straight-neck and traditional pot stills to shape ripe orchard fruit, vanilla and a faint grilled-citrus edge; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. The mouthfeel is pliant and lightly waxed, the finish clean and mineral. As the gateway to this versatile distillery, the 12 shows how still design can broaden flavor without leaning on finishes.

• **Loch Lomond — 18 Year (American Oak) — \$48 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LLM18**

Re-charred American-oak casks (from multiple still styles—straight-neck and traditional pot) shape ripe orchard fruit, vanilla and grilled-citrus edges while keeping the palate taut; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. A gently waxed texture carries mineral freshness and dry oak. As the mature core expression, it shows how Loch Lomond's unique still set can broaden flavour without leaning on wine finishes—clarity through distillation, not cosmetics.

• **Loch Lomond — 30 Year (First-Fill Oloroso Sherry Cask Finish) — \$250 — ABV TBC — #LLM30OLO**

Long residence in American oak builds honeyed malt and lemon oils before a **first-fill Oloroso sherry finish** layers fig, walnut and polished spice; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. The smoke reads faint and kiln-clean, texture silky with a dry, cedary close. As late-maturity Loch Lomond, it translates distillate complexity into calm resonance—age used for length and definition rather than sheer weight.

The Macallan is not the most popular single malt Scotch (volumes speak in favor of Glenfiddich and Glenlivet) but certainly, it is the one getting the most attention! Auctions throughout the world keep showing its vitality...Limited editions, special releases, one-off bottlings, etc., Macallan is a HUGE distillery that has reached the luxury level of Hermès or Chanel. The whisky must be good! It starts with a rather heavy new make spirit, which up until a few years ago was only matched by high quality Spanish oak-made Sherry butts, but now includes American oak in the shape of ex-Bourbon barrels and Sherry butts.

• **The Macallan — 12 Year 'Sherry Oak' — \$35 — ABV TBC — #MAC12SO**

Fully matured in **sherry-seasoned oak from Jerez**—principally European oak with select American-oak butts—carrying orange peel, sultana and cocoa over a silky malt line; natural colour. Sweetness stays disciplined as fine tannin shapes a dry, nut-spiced finish. As the doorway to Macallan's sherry program—modern stewardship under **Kirsteen Campbell**—it sets the house grammar: fragrance, precision, and sherry depth without heaviness.

• **The Macallan — 18 Year ‘Sherry Oak’ (2024 Release) — \$131 — ABV TBC — #MAC18SO-2024**

European-oak sherry butts (with select American-oak casks) deliver dark citrus, roasted nut and polished cedar over a composed, satin palate; natural colour. Fruit glows rather than shouts, the finish long and tea-leaf dry. As the annual 18, it's the benchmark articulation of the house style—vintage-coded sherry maturity that privileges balance and length over showiness.

• **The Macallan — 25 Year ‘Sherry Oak’ (2022 Release) — \$930 — ABV TBC — #MAC25SO-2022**

Quarter-century maturation in **sherry-seasoned European oak** unfurls fig, burnt orange and sandalwood across an effortless glide; natural colour. The sweetness is trimmed by firm, cedar-lined structure, giving poise rather than excess. Sitting atop the classic age-stated line, the 25 distills decades of Macallan's cask partnerships into calm authority—depth expressed as resonance and perfume.

• **The Macallan — Harmony Collection ‘Amber Meadow’ — \$61 — ABV TBC — #MACHAM**

Ex-Bourbon-primed stocks with **sherry-seasoned oak** in support evoke sun-warmed grass, honeyed malt and orange oils, the finish clean and gently nutty; natural colour. Texture stays bright and supple rather than heavy. Part of the eco-minded Harmony line—with packaging designed in collaboration with **Stella & Mary McCartney**—it explores a lighter countryside register while keeping the house's sherry-laced poise.

• **The Macallan — Harmony Collection ‘Intense Arabica’ — \$63 — ABV TBC — #MACHCOF**

Sherry-seasoned oak (European and American) leans the profile toward cocoa, roasted nuts and espresso-tinged spice over Macallan's orange-citrus core; natural colour. The palate reads plush but disciplined, drying on fine cedar. Created with **coffee specialists** and packaged using recycled coffee by-products, this Harmony chapter studies the shared language of roast and oak—bittersweet depth without stickiness.

• **The Macallan — ‘A Night on Earth in Scotland’ — \$47 — ABV TBC — #MACNOE**

Composed from **ex-Bourbon and sherry-seasoned casks** to spotlight shortbread richness, vanilla and citrus peel over a silky malt line; natural colour. The close is tidy and dry-spiced. Released for Hogmanay with distinctive box art **by Erica Dorn**, it captures the celebratory house style in a bright, confection-leaning register—festive without excess.

• **The Macallan 14 Year — ‘Whisky Galore’ (Duncan Taylor) — 1988 - 2003 — \$98 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MAC-88-WG-14**

Released from a single ex-Bourbon barrel, this unique bottling highlights orchard fruit, toffee, raisin, and cocoa notes with a notable barley sweetness. This is an uncommon example of Macallan shaped by the early indie era and quite distinct from the distillery's Sherry profile.

• **The Macallan 14 Year — ‘Mackillop's Choice’ (Single Cask) — 1989 - 2003 — \$259 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #MAC-89-MCC-14**

A single ex-Bourbon cask selected by Lorne Mackillop, this expression is vanilla and coconut forward with baked-apple and gentle spice. The clarity of these notes is neatly layered with oak tannin and hints of tea leaf.

• **The Macallan 14 Year — Murray McDavid ‘Yquem Finish’ — 1995 - 2009 — \$146 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MAC-95-MM-14-YQ**

Initially matured in bourbon casks and then finished in Château d'Yquem Sauternes barriques for added fruit richness. Honeyed apricot and crème brûlée fold into citrus and malt with a lingering peach and orchard fruit finish.

• **The Macallan 16 Year — 'Mackillop's Choice' (Single Cask) — 1989 - 2005 — \$320 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #MAC-89-MCC-16**

Ex-Bourbon matured spirit delivers orchard fruit and vanilla in a more rugged palate than the 14 Year. The finish keeps textured and focused on American oak spice.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — Murray McDavid 'Mission Gold' — 1997 - 2015 — Koval Rye Finish — \$376 — 100.8 proof / 50.4% ABV — #MAC-97-MM-18-KOVAL**

A U.S. exclusive from independent bottler Murray McDavid, this was raised in ex-Bourbon wood and finished in a first-fill Koval Rye barrel/ Rye spice and charred-oak grip add cocoa and orange-oil depth to Macallan's malt-rich core to a long finish.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — 1993 - 2011 — \$316 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-1993**

This 1993 vintage of the 18 year rides orange oil, sultana, dark chocolate, dried fruit, and ginger over a smooth-malt core.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — 1994 - 2012 — \$306 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-1994**

This vintage iteration leans more into cinnamon and spice than the cocoa aroma of 1993.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — 1995 - 2013 — \$299 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-1995**

Notes of orange marmalade and dried citrus lead the fig and nutty oak notes on this silky smooth release.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — 1996 - 2014 — \$277 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-1996**

Dark fruits and baking spice define the 1996 with layers of blackberry, citrus peel, clove, and cinnamon over Macallan's dense malt.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — 1997 - 2015 — \$248 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-1997**

The last 18 Year whisky from Macallan to indicate a vintage. This is a plusher, fruit-forward profile that characterizes the balance of dark chocolate, dried fruit, and ginger that will be expressed in non-vintage 18 Years to follow.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — Sherry Oak '2016 Release' — \$199 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-2016**

Dark fruit, orange oil, cinnamon, and ginger on an oily malt core with a long, complex finish. Following the 1997 vintage 18 Year, this marks the style of the house.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — Sherry Oak Cask '2022 Release' — \$182 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-2022**

Dark fruit, orange oil, cinnamon, and ginger on an oily malt core with a long, complex finish.

• **The Macallan 18 Year — Sherry Oak Cask '2023 Release' — \$179 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-18-2023**

Dark fruit, orange oil, cinnamon, and ginger on an oily malt core with a long, complex finish.

• **The Macallan — Speymalt 1972 (Gordon & MacPhail) — \$598 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-SPEY-1972**

Aged for 35 years before bottling, this long and pronounced spirit displays orange oil, fruitcake, toffee, and walnut. This independent bottling holds true to Macallan's house style of maturation.

• **The Macallan — Speymalt 1973 (Gordon & MacPhail) — \$598 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #MAC-SPEY-1973**

42 years of maturation leads to a spirit with grapefruit and orange citrus alongside ripe banana and sweet toffee. Cocoa notes accentuate the full body of the spirit.

• **The Macallan 25 Year — Sherry Oak — \$525/\$1,050 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-25-SO**

Treacle, sultana and dark chocolate fold into orange peel and fine oak spice. The finish goes long and complex, demanding a meditative audience.

• **The Macallan 25 Year — Sherry Oak '2022 Release' — \$525/\$1,050 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-25-2022**

Aromas in this release include dates, ginger and polished walnut. Dried fruits define the attack and mid palate into a long, warming finish.

• **The Macallan Cask Strength — Sherry Oak — \$99 — 120.2 proof / 60.1% ABV — #MAC-CS-60.1**

Intensely fruity and highly aromatic bottling which portrays fig, cocoa, orange oil, and baking spice on a dense frame. Despite the high proof, this whisky is well integrated and highly sought after as a unicorn bottling.

• **The Macallan Classic Cut — 2017 Limited Edition — \$126 — 116.8 proof / 58.4% ABV — #MAC-CC-2017**

This bottling represents a recent annual tradition for Macallan of releasing cask strength spirit. Caramelized citrus, nutmeg and cocoa ride a dense malt core in this cask strength whisky. The finish is long and highlights the baking spice character in the distillate.

• **The Macallan Edition No. 1 — 2015 — \$100 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #MAC-ED1-C8.V130.T19**

Distinguished from the core Macallan line by the use of eight distinct sherry-seasoned cask styles for maturation and its bottle proof of 96, expect a whisky with more profound depth and clarity with more noticeably oak influence.

• **The Macallan Edition No. 2 — 2016 — \$100 — 96.4 proof / 48.2% ABV — #MAC-ED2-C4.V372.T21**

A collaboration with the Roca brothers of El Celler de Can Roca, this was matured in seven sherry cask types sourced from four bodegas. The result is a whisky with blood orange, treacle, toffee and warm spice notes around Macallan's malt-rich core and satin finish.

• **The Macallan Edition No. 3 — 2017 — \$100 — 96.6 proof / 48.3% ABV — #MAC-ED3-C6.V523.T23**

Created with master perfumer Roja Dove to emphasize aroma, citrus oils, vanilla and mocha thread through raisin and ginger in this unique Macallan expression. This sensory outlier of the series is aromatic study that still reads unmistakably Macallan.

• **The Macallan Edition No. 4 — 2018 Release — \$100 — 97 proof / 48.4% ABV — #MAC-ED4**

The Edition No. 4 celebrates the new Macallan distillery's opening showcasing masterful cask selection and blending with this expression. Sherry and orchard fruit on the nose relay a balanced and delicately structured single malt that trades in equal parts candied fruit and sherried oak before a delightfully smooth finish.

• **The Macallan Edition No. 5 — 2019 Release — \$100 — 97 proof / 48.5% ABV — #MAC-ED5**

This collaboration with Pantone focuses on the natural color of Macallan during its maturation. Matured in first fill and refill Sherry casks selected across three bodegas, the typical Macallan profile is complicated with nutmeg, cocoa, and marcona almond.

• **The Macallan Edition No. 6 — 2020 Release — \$100 — 97.2 proof / 48.6% ABV — #MAC-ED6**

Whisky maker Steven Brenner chose five distinct American and European oak ex-Sherry casks for the maturation of this whisky. Plum, orange and toffee lead to a ginger and sweet spice midpalate before a long and clean finish.

• **The Macallan Rare Cask — 2015 Release — \$295 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-RC-2015**

Less than 1% of whisky aged at Macallan makes it into this whisky. Aromas of rich raisin and dark chocolate meet citrus zest and polished spice on a supple malt line. An early Rare Cask chapter that cemented the range's sherry-forward, cask-curation ethos.

• **The Macallan M — 2022 Release — \$1,500/\$3,000 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #MAC-M-2022**

This luxury bottling was created in tandem with fashion creative director Fabien Baron and Lalique. Black cherry, demerara and polished oak flow to liquorice and dark-chocolate orange. Bottled in a crystal decanter, this represents Macallan's drive to perfect sherry influence on their distillate.

• **The Macallan James Bond 60th Anniversary Release — 2022 Collection (I–VI) — \$540 — 87.4 proof / 43.7% ABV — #MAC-JB**

This bottling series presents the same spirit across 6 different labels, each representing one of six decades of James Bond. Lemon-lime brightness, vanilla and cocoa frame a suave, malt-rich core with a clean, dry close.

• **The Macallan Rare Cask — Red Label — \$224 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MAC-RC-871435**

Composed from first-fill and refill sherry-seasoned casks in European and American oak, then married for depth while keeping the finish dry; natural color. Expect raisin and dark chocolate over orange oil and polished spice, riding a supple malt core to a tidy close. As a modern pillar built on sherry wood and natural color, Rare Cask is the house's cask-selection showcase.

• **The Macallan TIME : SPACE 'Mastery' — 2024 — \$370 — 87.2 proof / 43.6% ABV — #MAC-TSM-2024**

A special release from Macallan made with spirit aged in 14 different cask types chosen by whisky maker Euan Kennedy. Aromas of dried vine fruit, milk chocolate and gingered citrus over a silken malt line, finishing long and clean. Released for Macallan's 200th-year celebrations, Mastery ties bicentennial design theater to a classic sherry-led profile.

• **Mannochmore — Murray McDavid (Port Cask Finish) — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MNMDPORT**

Ex-Bourbon maturation sets a bright, cereal-led frame before a **finish in Port barriques** adds red-berry gloss, almond toffee and tea-leaf dryness; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. The palate stays crisp and mineral, sweetness kept in check. As a Murray McDavid composition—true to the bottler's wine-finish heritage—it tilts Mannochmore's clean Speyside spirit toward a richer register without losing lift.

Mortlach in Speyside is known as 'the beast of Dufftown' because it produces quite a muscular spirit, essentially due to the lack of copper contact taking place at the condensation stage in the worm tubs. Mortlach is also known for being the '2.81 times' distilled single malt, because of an usual distillation regime resulting in the combination of standard, double distilled new make with some triple distilled new make. Owned by Diageo, Mortlach is made from unpeated barley, matures in Sherry butts and ex-Bourbon barrels, and is an essential component of the Johnnie Walker blends, particularly the black label.

• **Mortlach — 12 Year 'The Wee Witchie' — 2.81 Distilled — \$26 — 86.8 proof / 43.4% ABV — #MTL12WW**

Ex-Bourbon and **Oloroso sherry** casks (first-fill and refill) are integrated around Mortlach's worm-tub weight and **2.81 'Cowie's Way'** partial triple distillation; natural colour. Stewed orchard fruit, cocoa and roasted nut ride a meaty, sinewy core. As the gateway to modern Mortlach, it translates the distillery's muscular make into an everyday tone—structure and savor balanced by tidy oak.

• **Mortlach — 16 Year 'Distiller's Dram' — 2.81 Distilled — \$48 — 86.8 proof / 43.4% ABV — #MTL16DD**

Long **sherry-led maturation** (Oloroso with refill support) shapes dark citrus, walnut and leather over Mortlach's dense, worm-tub texture; natural colour. The palate reads deep yet composed, finishing dry and cedary. Positioned as the range's classic sherry voice, the 16 amplifies the house's savory backbone into length and polish rather than sheer heaviness.

• **Mortlach — 15 Year 'Game of Thrones – Six Kingdoms' — \$57 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MTL15GOT**

Sherry-seasoned maturation followed by a **finish in first-fill American-oak ex-Bourbon** casks draws vanilla, orange-oil brightness and cedar over the distillery's sinewy core; natural colour. The result feels stately but nimble, sweetness trimmed by dry spice. Issued as the series' closing chapter, it frames Mortlach's muscular style through a celebratory lens—house power, freshly lit.

• **Mortlach — 2023 Special Release 'The Katana's Edge' (ex-Kanosuke & Pinot Noir Casks) — \$89 — cask strength — #MTL2023SE**

Refill American/European oak stock **re-racked into ex-Kanosuke Japanese-whisky casks and Pinot Noir wine casks**, fusing sandalwood lift with red-berry breadth; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Meaty Mortlach weight meets incense, cherry and tea-leaf dryness for a layered, textural finish. As a themed Special Release, it explores the house's 2.81-distilled heft through cross-cask dialogue—distinctive without losing identity.

• **Mortlach — 2024 Special Release (White & Red Italian Wine Casks) — \$99 — cask strength — #MTL2024SE**

Refill American/European oak stock **re-racked into ex-Italian white- and red-wine casks**, layering citrus-pith brightness and red-berry breadth over Mortlach's dense, worm-tub texture; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Meaty sweetness meets tea-leaf dryness and cedar, the finish long and architectural. As a themed Special Release, it reframes the 2.81-distilled heft through a dual-wine lens—distinctive oak accents carried by the distillate's iron spine.

• **Mortlach — 20 Year 'Cowie's Blue Seal' — 2.81 Distilled — \$93 — 86.8 proof / 43.4% ABV — #MTL20CBS**

Long **sherry-led maturation** (Oloroso/European oak with refill support) polishes Mortlach's sinewy core into leather, orange-tea dryness and roasted-nut depth; natural colour. Texture reads stately and composed, sweetness tightly held. As the elder of the core trio, 'Cowie's Blue Seal' translates the distillery's famous 2.81 process into calm authority—muscle turned to length and quiet resonance.

• **Mortlach — 1954 (Gordon & MacPhail, Cask #494) — \$600/\$1,200 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MOR-1954-GM-494**

Distilled in 1954 and matured in an ex-Sherry puncheon until 2019, this whisky emphasizes aged notes of hazelnut, walnut, cocoa, and polished leather. This whisky is a benchmark mid-century Mortlach that also spotlights G&M's custodianship of historic sherry stock.

Nc'nean is the brainchild of Annabel Thomas, a former management consultant who left her job to open a distillery on her parents' estate on the Morvern peninsula. Using 100% Scottish barley and 100% renewable energy, this certified net-zero distillery is unique in their use of two distinct yeast varieties in their exceptionally long fermentations. The two stills, a 5,000 liter wash still and 3,500 liter spirit still, are lantern shaped to increase reflux (the condensation and revaporization of vapors). While the majority of the Nc'nean production is focused on lighter fruity and floral whiskies, the team spends six weeks of the year producing heavier spirits designed for long term maturation.

• **Nc'nean — 'Organic' — 3 Year — \$31 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #NCNORG**

Fully matured in **ex-Bourbon** with select **STR red-wine casks** for lift; bottled natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Lemon curd, barley cream and vanilla wafer move with a bright, silky glide, oak reading clean and modern. Distilled at Scotland's first verified **net-zero** whisky distillery, this organic single malt shows how a young spirit can carry clarity and poise when production and cask choices are ruthlessly precise.

• **Nc'nean — 'Organic AON 17-518' — 3 Year — \$45 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #NCNORG**

Oban With official records showing active distillation occurring since 1799, and unofficial records suggesting distilling happening as early as 1794, Oban is a legend in the Scotch whisky industry. With global demand high, Oban slows things down with low charges and aeration times to keep copper contact high and fresh. Oban is located in a small seaside town of Argyll, making it one of the few urban distilleries. Currently owned by Diageo and a shining star in their classic malts

lineup, Oban can boast that they have never gone under any distillery expansion including never increasing the number of stills.

• **Oban — 14 Year — \$37 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #OBN14**

Primarily **refill American oak** with a strand of European-oak influence keeps citrus, heather honey and briny smoke in balanced relief. The palate is gently oily, finishing tea-leaf dry with coastal salt. As one of the Classic Malts, Oban 14 defines the distillery's narrow-gauge style—Highland fruit drawn through maritime peat into a poised, quietly savory register.

• **Oban — 'Little Bay' (Small-Cask) — \$29 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #OBNLB**

Mature stocks are **re-racked into small casks** to quicken oak-to-spirit dialogue, shaping orange zest, malt toffee and polished smoke over a silkier glide. Sweetness stays trimmed as fine tannin firms the close. Positioned as a compact, intensified take on house character, Little Bay captures Oban's citrus-briny line in a tighter frame—more glow, same coastal poise.

• **Oban — Distillers Edition (Montilla Fino Seasoned Finish) — \$42 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #OBNDE**

Refill American oak preserves citrus, honeyed malt and shy smoke before a **finishing spell in Montilla Fino-seasoned casks** adds almond, brine and tea-leaf dryness. The palate reads brighter and more saline than sherry-led finishes. As a long-running DE variant, it refracts Oban's maritime Highland style through a drier, fino-tinged lens—elegant, taut, unmistakably Oban.

• **Oban — 10 Year (2024 Special Release, Natural Cask Strength) — \$34 — cask strength — #OBN10SR2024**

Refill American oak drives lemon oil, barley sugar and coastal herb before a bracing, **natural-strength** delivery stretches salinity and smoke; un-chill-filtered. The palate feels vivid and textural rather than heavy, with a long, mineral finish. As the 2024 Special Release, it sharpens the house's citrus-briny line—Oban rendered in high definition.

• **Oban — 15 Year (Oloroso & Palo Cortado Finish, Cask Strength) — \$43 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #OBN15OPC**

Primary maturation in ex-Bourbon casks is **re-racked into Oloroso and Palo Cortado** sherry wood, then bottled at natural cask strength, un-chill-filtered. Oloroso lends date-rich warmth and toffee, while Palo Cortado brings walnut, citrus peel and tea-leaf dryness over Oban's briny, lightly smoky core. A rarer cask-strength chapter for the distillery, it reframes the classic 14's coastal grace through a drier, sherry-edged lens.

• **Oban 11 Year — Special Releases 2023 'The Soul of Calypso' — \$76 — 116 proof / 58% ABV — #OBA-11-SR23**

Highland spirit matured in American oak and Finished in Caribbean pot-still rum casks, this special Oban release presents tropical fruit and gentle brine over a cereal and honeyed backbone with a clean, dry landing. Classic Oban minerality presents on the finish.

• **Oban Distillers Edition — 1999 - 2014 (Montilla Fino) — \$54 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #OBA-DE-1999**

The Distiller's Edition is finished in Montilla Fino Sherry casks, adding nutty depth and orange-peel lift to the malt's silky, coastal style. The finish stays tea-leaf dry and precise.

Old Pulteney is located in the far northern town of Wick on the west coast of the Highlands. Roads were poor and land travel was impractical for industrial deliveries, so barley and whisky were delivered via boat. These conditions, however, created a unique expression of whisky defined by maritime qualities that, for 21 years between 1930 and 1951, could not be enjoyed in Wick due to a local prohibition. Today, the brand is still recognized and appreciated for its obvious coastal influence.

• **Old Pulteney — 12 Year — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #OP12**

American-oak ex-Bourbon casks carry lemon zest, vanilla cream and sea-spray salinity over a clean, lightly oily palate. Oak sits neatly behind maritime freshness. As the Wick distillery's signature, the 12 sketches coastal Highland clarity—bright citrus, briny sweetness, and an easy, tidy close.

• **Old Pulteney — 15 Year — \$36 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #OP15**

Ex-Bourbon maturation with **sherry-cask components** broadens citrus and brine into toffee, dried fruit and gentle spice; bottled at higher strength for texture. The finish is long and dry-edged, minerality intact. As the balanced step-up, the 15 adds sherry warmth and length while keeping Old Pulteney's salty snap alive.

• **Old Pulteney — 18 Year — \$58 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #OP18**

American-oak Bourbon casks with a stronger **sherry influence** draw cocoa, orange tea and polished oak around the distillery's lemon-saline core; natural colour. Texture turns silkier yet remains briny, the close firm and cedary. As the mature voice of the range, the 18 shows maritime fruit dressed in darker, longer lines—depth without losing the gust of sea air.

• **Pittyvaich 26 Year — Orphan Barrel 'Forager's Keep' — \$139 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #PIT-FK-26-12439**

The Diageo 'Orphan Barrel' project discovered spirit from the closed Pittyvaich distillery and bottled this whisky after 26 years of maturation in undisclosed oak barrels. The whisky starts with supple orchard fruit, vanilla and gentle wood spice before a smooth, malty finish. This is the first single malt bottled in the Orphan Barrel label.

• **Roseisle — 12 Year (2024 Special Release, Natural Cask Strength) — \$49 — cask strength — #RSE12SR2024**

Composed from **refill and first-fill American-oak ex-Bourbon casks**, then bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Bright malt, lemon oils and vanilla wafer ride a firm, textural line with clean, kiln-fresh grain at the core. As an early age-stated outing from Diageo's ultra-modern distillery, it shows Roseisle's brief: precision spirit rendered vivid rather than heavy—clarity by design.

• **Rosebank 21 Year — 1990 - 2011 — \$352 — 107.6 proof / 53.8% ABV — #ROS-21-1990-2011-5822**

Matured in refill American and European oak, this uniquely floral whisky builds to citrus, vanilla and refined oak spice with a poised, dry finish. Released during the distillery's long closure, this 21-year edition became a touchstone for Rosebank's elegant, triple-distilled style.

Royal Brackla was invented at the Brackla Distillery, built on the Cawdor Castle estate,

in 1812. Deeply connected to history, the distillery is sited in the same area as referenced to in Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' and given a Royal Warrant by King William IV, hence the title 'Royal Brackla.' During World War II, an airfield was built and an underground water supply tapped to support air combat training. That water source would be acquired by Brackla in the 1960's to facilitate spirits cooling. A 1985 closure and 1991 soft reopening led to a full relaunch in 2019 by new owners Bacardi who are focusing on delivering 12, 18, and 21 year single malts.

• **Royal Brackla — 12 Year (Oloroso Sherry Cask Finish) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #RB12OLO**

Ex-Bourbon maturation **re-racked into Oloroso sherry casks** layers raisined fruit, almond toffee and sweet spice over Brackla's floral Highland core; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. The palate stays bright, the sherry reading polished rather than sticky. Founded under the Duke of Gordon and granted the **first Royal Warrant in 1835**, Brackla's 12 channels 'King's Own' elegance through a measured sherry lens.

• **Royal Brackla — 18 Year (Palo Cortado Sherry Cask Finish) — \$104 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #RB18PC**

Long ex-Bourbon aging followed by a **Palo Cortado finish** brings orange-peel dryness, walnut and sandalwood to the distillery's honeyed, floral line; natural colour, non-chill-filtered. Texture reads satin-smooth with a tea-leaf close. As the sherry-connoisseur's Brackla, the 18 swaps richness for precision—sherry's rare, nutty register framing the house's graceful Highland voice.

• **Royal Brackla — 2009–2023, 14 Year (Signatory Vintage, 1st-Fill Bourbon Cask) — \$41 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #RB14SV2009**

Distilled in 2009 and drawn from a **single first-fill Bourbon cask**, bottled by **Signatory Vintage** at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Vanilla cream, pear tart and citrus oils glide over a taut, mineral spine, oak reading bright and cedary. As an indie single-cask snapshot, it spotlights Brackla's orchard-led elegance with no varnish—one cask, one voice.

• **Royal Brackla — 2007–2019, 12 Year (Signatory Vintage, Refill Sherry Butt) — \$34 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #RB12SV2007**

From a **single refill Sherry butt** selected by **Signatory Vintage**, bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Sultana, hazelnut and cocoa gather over a floral-honey core, the finish dry and precise. As a counterpoint to the Bourbon-cask indie above, it shows how refill sherry can lend depth without darkness—Brackla's brightness intact, sherry speaking in fine lines.

Royal Lochnagar happens to be Diageo's smallest distillery (it also uses short stills) but is very well-known of Scotch connoisseurs for not only the big part it plays in the Johnnie Walker Blue blend, but also for its use of cast iron worm tub condensers. Well, another claim of fame is its signature flavor in Windsor, a very popular blended Scotch whisky in South Korea! The flavor profile has changed over the recent history of the distillery, moving away from 100% Sherry cask maturation to including a sizable portion of ex-Bourbon barrels. The 'loch of noise' is located in the Eastern Highlands.

• **Royal Lochnagar 12 Year — Game of Thrones 'House Baratheon' — \$38 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GOT-BAR**

Composed from ex-Bourbon casks to keep the malt line clear and the Highland elegance intact, this Game of Thrones special edition delivers vanilla cream, toffee and barley sugar with a palate and finish that leans into baking spice and heather.

Speyburn, located in Speyside, produces a lightly peated malt mostly aged in ex Bourbon barrels, with the addition of Pedro Ximenes Sherry casks. Even in today's successful single malt business, Speyburn turns most of its production to blends, and when released as its own angle malt, the bottles are affordable! The distillery is one of the few in Scotland to employ the old fashioned worm tub to condense the vapors into distillate.

• **Speyburn — 15 Year (American Oak & Sherry Casks) — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SPB15**

Ex-Bourbon American oak provides the bright, cereal-led spine while **sherry-seasoned European oak** adds cocoa, orange oils and gentle nut-spice; natural colour. Honeyed pear and coastal freshness glide over a tidy, dry-edged finish. Positioned between the easy 12 and weightier 18, the 15 sharpens Speyburn's orchard clarity with measured sherry tone—length over sweetness.

• **Speyburn — 18 Year (American Oak & Sherry Casks) — \$49 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SPB18**

Long American-oak maturation with a stronger **sherry** component deepens baked apple, treacle and polished cedar around the distillery's lemon-vanilla line; natural colour. Texture turns silkier yet stays brisk, the finish firm and tea-leaf dry. As the mature core voice, the 18 translates house freshness into resonance rather than weight.

• **Speyburn — 'Bradan Orach' — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #SPBBO**

Fully matured in **ex-Bourbon** casks to keep citrus, vanilla biscuit and light apple vivid over a clean, mid-weight palate. Oak stays supportive, the close bright and saline-tinged. As the gateway expression, Bradan Orach presents Speyburn's coastal-Highland clarity in its most approachable register—crisp, easy, quietly refreshing.

Speyside distillery is somewhat young...it started making whisky in 1990 and has already changed hands a couple of times, but the malt, unpeated from the Chariot variety, (except for a yearly peated run) is well considered among single malt Scotch fans, notably for its affordability. Everything is matured on site in traditional dunnage warehouses. The small distillery, located in Speyside, offers a variety of bottlings we only get a few of in the US. A claim of fame? If you're a Monarch of the Glen series fan, you'll recognize the Lagganmore distillery...

• **Speyside — 'Fumare' (Peated) — \$23 — ABV TBC — #SPYFUM**

Peated runs at Speyside Distillery matured chiefly in American-oak ex-Bourbon keep the smoke aromatic and the malt line bright, without heavy wine influence. Silky hearth-smoke threads lemon wafer, barley cream and a faint saline snap through a tidy, dry-edged finish. Positioned as the peat-led counterpoint to Trutina, it explores a Highland-Speyside register of smoke—measured, fragrant, and deliberately lighter than island styles.

• **Speymhor — 18 Year (Mystery Speyside) — \$41 — ABV TBC — #SPMH18**

Composed from **ex-Bourbon** casks with **sherry-seasoned** oak in support, balancing vanilla cream, orchard fruit and gentle nutty spice over a calm, satin texture. Sweetness is checked by a dry, cedary close. As a cloaked-provenance Speyside, it's designed to deliver classic harmony—bright malt framed by mature oak—without naming the distillery.

Tamdhu is nestled in the heart of Speyside and wholly dedicated to Sherry casks!

American and European oak-made barrels that are either first-fill Sherry butts, second-fill or seasoned with Sherry. That is a lot of Sherry one might argue, but many styles are at play, based on the oak makeup and the previous uses of the casks. A hint of peat in the malt and an unusual high filling strength of near 70% abv add to the malt's personality and might explain why the Famous grouse, J&B and Cutty Sark. The brand was recently revamped and the packaging is now in par with the high quality of its malts, which, by modern standards, are fairly priced...Now in the hands of Ian MacLeod Distillers, the 'little dark hill' is one of the last affordable 'Sherry bombs' on the market.

• **Tamdhu — 12 Year (Sherry Casks) — \$31 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #TMD12**

Matured exclusively in **Oloroso sherry casks**—a mix of European and American oak—then bottled natural colour to preserve depth of tone. Sultana, orange peel and roasted almond ride a supple, barley-bright palate, the finish long and dry-spiced. As the gateway to Tamdhu's sherry-first identity, the 12 shows richness carried by structure rather than sweetness.

• **Tamdhu — 15 Year (Sherry Casks) — \$57 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #TMD15**

Exclusively matured in **Oloroso sherry casks** (European and American oak), emphasizing orange oil, fig and roasted almond over a poised, barley-bright core; natural colour. Texture turns silkier than the 12, the finish long and tea-leaf dry. As the range's sweet spot, the 15 shows Tamdhu's sherry-first identity in high resolution—depth carried by structure, not sugar.

• **Tamdhu — Batch Strength (First-Fill Oloroso) — \$45 — cask strength — #TMDBS**

Built from a high proportion of **first-fill Oloroso** casks to amplify dried fruit, cocoa and nut-spice around a firm malt spine; bottled at natural strength, natural colour. Power reads clean and textural rather than thick, water unfolding citrus and cedar. As Tamdhu's muscular chapter, it proves proof and cask selection can sharpen sherry character without smothering the spirit.

• **Teaninich — 15 Year (Cadenhead's, Sauternes Finish) — \$44 — ABV TBC — #TNN15CAD**

Refill **ex-Bourbon** aging sets a crisp, cereal-led spine before a **Sauternes wine-cask finish** adds honeyed apricot, almond and a wax-tipped glide; natural feel, un-fussy oak. Mineral freshness keeps the finish precise and dry. As a Cadenhead's selection, it reveals Teaninich's clean Highland make through a measured dessert-wine lens—lift and texture over sweetness.

Tomatin is a fairly large single malt producer owned by the Japanese group Takara Shuzo and located right off the western side of Speyside, close to Inverness. The 'hill of the juniper bush' mainly produces non-peated malts but regularly offers smoky iterations such as 'Cu Bocan'. Their wood policy has a strong ex-Bourbon cask focus but many other barrels are used, such as Port, Sherry and other wine

casks. Tomatin is considered a mild single malt, round and pretty fruity, character given by the very lengthy fermentations.

• **Tomatin — 12 Year ‘Bourbon & Sherry Casks’ — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #TMT12**

First-fill and refill **ex-Bourbon** with **sherry casks** in support frame honeyed malt, apple and soft spice over a smooth, mid-weight palate. Oak speaks softly; balance leads. As Tomatin’s gateway, the 12 sets the house dialect—gentle Highland fruit, measured sherry warmth, and a calm, tidy close ready for the table.

• **Tomatin — 18 Year ‘Oloroso Sherry Casks’ — \$64 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #TMT18**

American-oak ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a **second maturation in Oloroso sherry casks** layers fig, orange tea and roasted nut over Tomatin’s honeyed core. The palate reads satin and composed, sweetness kept tidy by dry spice and cedar. As the mature sherry voice of the range, the 18 translates gentle Highland fruit into longer, darker lines—depth without heaviness.

Tomintoul, or the ‘gentle dram’ is a Speyside distillery known for...its gentle character!

Created in 1965 and to satisfy blending needs, the malt is still to this day mostly sold to blenders. Except for the ‘peaty tang’, Tomintoul is a non-peated whisky, and employs American oak-made ex-Bourbon barrels for the big chunk of its maturation. Along with its sister distillery Glencadam, Tomintoul is owned by Angus Dundee Distillers.

• **Tomintoul — 10 Year ‘The Gentle Dram’ — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #TMTL10**

Composed from **ex-Bourbon** casks to spotlight soft orchard fruit, vanilla biscuit and heather honey over a light, easy glide. Oak stays supportive, the finish clean and faintly mineral. As the gateway to Tomintoul’s style, the 10 defines ‘gentle dram’: bright malt, relaxed sweetness, no rough edges.

• **Tomintoul — 12 Year ‘Oloroso Cask Finish’ (Limited Edition) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #TMTL12OLO**

Ex-Bourbon maturation **re-racked into Oloroso sherry casks** brings raisined fruit, almond toffee and sweet spice around the distillery’s creamy malt line. Texture turns silkier yet stays fresh, with a dry, nut-spiced close. As a limited finish, it introduces a duskier accent to the house’s easy cadence without tipping sweet.

• **Tomintoul — 14 Year (Non-Chill-Filtered, Natural Colour) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #TMTL14**

First-fill and refill **ex-Bourbon** casks frame honeyed cereal, lemon zest and almond nougat; bottled non-chill-filtered and natural colour for texture. The palate is fuller than the 10 yet remains graceful, finishing tidy and lightly waxed. As the sweet-spot age statement, the 14 deepens Tomintoul’s gentleness into poise and length.

• **Tomintoul — 16 Year ‘The Gentle Dram’ — \$29 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #TMTL16**

Long residence in **ex-Bourbon** American oak preserves vanilla, pear and soft spice over a calm, silky mid-palate. Oak reads precise and quiet, the finish clean and tea-leaf dry. As the mature counterpart to the 10, the 16 shows how extra time can stretch Tomintoul’s softness into elegant, unhurried length.

• **Tomintoul — 18 Year (Kedem Port Cask Finish, USA Exclusive) — \$56 — ABV TBC — #TMTL18KP**

Ex-Bourbon maturation **re-racked into Kedem Port casks** for a final pass that folds red-berry compote, almond toffee and cedar-spice into Tomintoul's creamy malt line. The palate stays silky, the sweetness checked by a dry, nutty close. As a U.S.-only finish, it gives the 'gentle dram' a richer accent while keeping the distillery's easy cadence intact.

• **Tomintoul — 21 Year (Speyside–Glenlivet) — \$67 — ABV TBC — #TMTL21**

Long residence in **first-fill and refill ex-Bourbon** casks preserves vanilla cream, pear and soft spice over a calm, lightly waxed texture. Oak reads precise, never pushy, with a tea-leaf dry finish. As the range's stately elder, the 21 stretches Tomintoul's signature softness into poise and length—maturity expressed as composure rather than weight.

• **Tomintoul — 'The Gentle Dram with a Peaty Tang' — \$23 — ABV TBC — #TMTLPT**

Lightly peated malt integrated with **ex-Bourbon** cask stocks brings heather smoke, lemon wafer and briny sweetness to the house's creamy core. Smoke reads silky, not sharp, clearing to honeyed barley and clean mineral lift. As the peat-kissed branch of the line, it nudges Tomintoul toward Islay-adjacent nuance without abandoning its relaxing style.

• **Tomintoul — 'Cigar Malt' (Oloroso Sherry Cask Matured) — \$42 — ABV TBC — #TMTLCM**

Fully matured in **Oloroso sherry casks** to build cocoa, dried fruit and polished spice around a dense, velvety mid-palate; natural colour. A gentle tannic frame keeps the finish long and dry. Designed to stand up to a smoke, it translates Tomintoul's gentleness into a darker register—structure and savor that play well with rich pairings.

• **Tomintoul — 'Caribbean Rum Cask Finish' — \$23 — ABV TBC — #TMTLCRF**

Ex-Bourbon maturation followed by a **Caribbean rum-cask finish** sets vanilla biscuit and pineapple over honeyed malt, the close tidy with soft spice. Texture stays easy and bright, fruit-forward without stickiness. As a playful detour, it lends tropical warmth to the gentle-dram DNA while keeping balance and freshness front and center.

Tullibardine is one of the few distilleries in Scotland to mash, distill, mature and bottle on site. Located in the South of the Highlands, close to the Lowlands and owned by French wine group Picard, the whisky is often matured in ex-wine barrels of various origins, along with ex-Bourbon barrels, and more often than not, of the 'first-fill' kind. What used to be a filler for blends, with little character to speak of, has become a high quality whisky and their finishes are especially sought-after.

• **Tullibardine — '228 Burgundy Finish' — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #TBD228**

Ex-Bourbon maturation **re-racked into 228-liter Pinot Noir barriques from Burgundy** to add red-cherry lift, soft tannin and baking-spice contour around vanilla-malt brightness. The palate stays fresh and mid-weight, finishing dry-edged and lightly mineral. As the winery-linked branch of the core line, 228 shows how fine red-wine casks can color Tullibardine's clean Highland style without tipping it sweet.

• **Tullibardine — '500 Sherry Cask Finish' — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #TBD500**

American-oak ex-Bourbon stocks are **second-matured in 500-liter Sherry butts** to draw raisin, roasted-nut and orange-peel depth over the distillery's honeyed cereal core. Texture turns silkier

yet stays brisk, the close tidy and tea-leaf dry. As the sherry-toned counterpart to 228, 500 reframes Tullibardine's brightness through a duskier lens while keeping precision intact.

• **Tullibardine — 12 Year (Palo Cortado Cask, Cadenhead's) — \$36 — cask strength (ABV TBC) — #TBD12PCAD**

Ex-Bourbon maturation re-racked to Palo Cortado for a nutty, tea-leaf dryness over vanilla-malt clarity; drawn from a single cask by Cadenhead's and bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. Apricot, almond and citrus pith ride a taut, lightly waxed line. As an indie pick, it explores a rarer sherry style that sharpens rather than sweetens Tullibardine's clean profile.

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Auchentoshan is the last distillery in the Lowlands to triple distill its malt (all malt distilleries in the region used to triple distill), creating a light and floral whisky to start with, but ends up taking a great deal of character from the casks it matures in, mostly ex-Bourbon casks. Located near Glasgow and its ship building grounds, it was bombarded in 1940 and its whisky flowed into the nearby Clyde river... Today, Auchentoshan is in the hands of Japanese group Suntory, along with its sister distilleries Bowmore on Islay and Glen Garioch in the eastern Highlands. It is unpeated and fairly gentle, to the point of being dubbed the 'breakfast whisky' by the Glaswegians!

• **Auchentoshan — 12 Year (Oloroso & Bourbon Casks) — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #AT12**

Primary maturation in American-oak ex-Bourbon is integrated with Oloroso sherry casks, shaping vanilla cream, honeyed citrus and almond toffee over a lithe palate. Triple distillation keeps the smoke absent and the texture notably sleek. As the modern house cornerstone, it frames Lowland elegance in clear lines—bright malt, gentle sherry depth, and that signature silky glide.

• **Auchentoshan — 'American Oak' (First-Fill Bourbon) — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #ATAM**

Fully matured in first-fill Bourbon to spotlight coconut, vanilla and lemon zest around a crisp barley core. The palate reads airy and precise, oak giving sweetness without weight. Positioned as the purest read of Auchentoshan's triple-distilled style, it shows Lowland freshness unadorned—clean, modern, effortlessly drinkable.

• **Auchentoshan — 'Three Wood' (Bourbon → Oloroso → PX) — \$35 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #AT3W**

Ex-Bourbon maturation is second-matured in Oloroso and then finished in PX sherry casks, layering raisined fruit, toffee and chocolate over citrus-bright spirit. Triple distillation keeps the profile sleek as sweetness meets a tidy, dry close. The bottling that broadened Auchentoshan's canvas, it translates Lowland clarity into a richer, dessert-toned register without losing finesse.

Bladnoch Distillery, located in the town of Bladnoch on the river Bladnoch, was the original farm to table whisky. Documentation from 1887 described the then 70-year old distillery as using local river water with 50 acres of the property planted to barley and farmed by the proprietor. In 2017 the latest series of modernizations brought the distillery Douglas Fir washbacks, new wash stills and low wines stills, and a boiler powered by liquefied petroleum gas. Dr. Nick Savage, former master distiller at The Macallan, joined the team in 2019.

• **Bladnoch — 11 Year (ex-Bourbon Barrels) — \$35 — 93.4 proof / 46.7% ABV — #BLD11**

Ex-Bourbon barrels carry pear drop, lemon curd and vanilla wafer over a supple, lightly waxed texture; natural-feeling oak stays discreet. The finish is clean and tea-leaf dry. Reborn under David Prior's ownership and guided by Dr. Nick Savage, this age statement re-establishes Bladnoch's bright, cereal-led Lowland voice with contemporary poise.

• **Bladnoch — 14 Year (Oloroso Sherry Cask Matured) — \$53 — 93.4 proof / 46.7% ABV — #BLD14OLO**

Long residence in Oloroso sherry casks lends walnut, orange-tea dryness and cocoa to Bladnoch's lemon-barley core, the palate silken and measured. Sweetness stays disciplined as fine tannin frames the close. As the sherry-led counterpoint to the Bourbon-aged 11, it shows the distillery's revived style in deeper hues—elegant, not heavy.

• **Bladnoch — 19 Year (PX Sherry Cask Matured, 2021 Release) — \$74 — 93.4 proof / 46.7% ABV — #BLD19PX21**

Full-term Pedro Ximénez sherry casks steer dried fig, date syrup and cocoa around Bladnoch's lemon-barley core, the palate plush yet neatly trimmed by tea-leaf dryness. Vanilla from earlier Bourbon stock peeks through as walnut and citrus pith shape the close. As an early post-revival age statement, this 2021 chapter casts the house's bright Lowland spirit in duskier, dessert-toned light while keeping balance.

• **Bladnoch — 'Samsara' (Californian Red Wine & ex-Bourbon Barrels) — \$33 — 93.4 proof / 46.7% ABV — #BLDSAM**

Mature stocks in Californian red-wine casks are integrated with ex-Bourbon barrels, folding cherry skin, vanilla cream and soft spice over a silky, cereal-led mid-palate. Sweetness stays measured as gentle oak grip dries the finish. Set near the distillery's modern relaunch, Samsara broadens Bladnoch's lifted style into a fruit-toned register without burying the Lowland clarity.

• **Bladnoch — 'Vinaya' (Sherry & ex-Bourbon Barrels) — \$24 — 93.4 proof / 46.7% ABV — #BLDVIN**

Composed from sherry-seasoned and ex-Bourbon casks to frame honeyed citrus, pear and almond toffee over a sleek, modern texture. The sherry reads polished rather than heavy, finishing clean and tea-leaf dry. Positioned as the approachable face of the range, Vinaya expresses the house's revived elegance with gentle depth and everyday poise.

Glenkinchie is a Lowlands malt that 'came to life' when owner Diageo included it in the Classic Malts range back in 1988. Unlike in the distant past (although still true for Auchentoshan), you're dealing with a classic double distillation, not triple. Yet, Glenkinchie is known for its gentle nature, offering a round, fruity and floral character with just a whisper of peat, in spite of minimal copper contact during

distillation and its continued use of cast iron worm tubs to condensate the vapors into new make spirit. Also known as 'the Edinburgh malt', it starts quite sulfurous but ends up light and grassy after maturation (essentially ex-Bourbon barrels).

• **Glenkinchie — 12 Year — \$32 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GK12**

Primarily refill and first-fill ex-Bourbon casks keep lemon peel, apple and vanilla biscuit vivid over a lightly waxed, meadow-fresh palate. Oak sits discreetly behind the spirit, the finish neat and herbal-dry. As the Lowland Classic Malt, it defines Glenkinchie's crisp, floral signature—bright grain, gentle sweetness, and effortless drinkability.

• **Glenkinchie — Distillers Edition 2023 (12 Year, Oloroso Finish) — \$34 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GK12DE23**

Refill American oak preserves orchard brightness before a finishing spell in Oloroso-seasoned casks adds walnut, orange-tea dryness and subtle cocoa around the silky core. The palate stays light on its feet, sweetness trimmed by fine tannin. As the annual DE chapter, the 2023 bottling refracts Glenkinchie's floral finesse through a drier sherry lens—elegant, taut, unmistakably Lowland.

• **Glenkinchie 12 Year — Distillers Edition (2002 - 2014) — \$53 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GLK-DE-2002**

Finished in Amontillado Sherry casks to increase the savory character of the light and bright Glenkinchie distillate, the whisky showcases bright citrus and floral character over a light body with hints of nuttiness and savory smoke enriching the palate.

• **Eden Mill St Andrews Single Malt — Art of St. Andrews — 2024 Release — \$64 — 93 proof / 46.5% ABV — #EDEN-ART-2024**

Aged in carefully selected Amarone wine casks, red fruit and clove fold into darker berry compote and fig notes. Pastry richness drives the long, warming finish. This special release spotlights Eden Mill's St Andrews house identity through a confident, wine-led wood program.

Lochlea emerged from an experiment in malting barley. Neil and Jen McGeoch, who acquired the historic Lochlea Farm in 2006, ran a cattle and dairy farm until, in 2015, a section of the farm was converted to explore how barley grew there. Initial results were promising and legendary still maker Forsyth's was contracted to produce long neck, straight arm stills that maximize copper contact. Malcolm Rennie commissioned the facility and its first release was overseen by John Campbell, manager at Laphroaig.

• **Lochlea — 'Fallow Edition' (First-Fill Oloroso) — \$26 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LCHFA**

Fully matured in first-fill Oloroso sherry casks, this small-batch Lowland malt layers date cake, toasted walnut and orange-tea dryness over a supple, barley-bright core. The palate reads plush yet tidy, sweetness reined in by fine tannin and spice. Part of Lochlea's seasonal series, Fallow marks the quiet post-harvest period—an introspective, sherry-led chapter that still lets the youthful house clarity shine.

• **Lochlea — Cask Strength Batch 2 (Oloroso, PX & STR) — \$34 — 120 proof / 60% ABV — #LCHCSB2**

A high-impact composition from Oloroso, Pedro Ximénez and STR red-wine casks, delivering raisined fruit, cocoa and spiced cherry over a firm cereal spine; bottled at natural strength for

texture and lift. Despite the power, the finish stays clean and tea-leaf dry. As the second cask-strength release, it tilts Lochlea's bright Lowland spirit toward a darker, modern register without losing balance.

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• **Arran — 'Barrel Reserve' (Un-Chill Filtered, Natural Colour) — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #ARN-BR**

Fully matured in American-oak ex-Bourbon barrels, then bottled natural colour and un-chill-filtered to keep the distillate's clarity front and center. Lemon zest, vanilla cream and barley sweetness glide over a clean, lightly waxed texture. Introduced under the long stewardship of James MacTaggart, Barrel Reserve is the crisp, modern doorway into Lochranza's island style—bright, poised, and refreshingly honest oak.

• **Arran — 10 Year (Un-Chill Filtered, Natural Colour) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARN10**

A classic ex-Bourbon and sherry-cask composition: Bourbon for citrus-vanilla lift, sherry for honeyed nut and gentle spice; bottled natural colour and un-chill-filtered. The palate reads supple and cereal-bright with a tidy, dry close. As the house benchmark age statement, it codifies Arran's elegant island grammar—clean fruit, measured sherry depth, and effortless balance.

• **Arran — 'Sherry Cask' (Natural Strength, Un-Chill Filtered, Natural Colour) — \$33 — 111.6 proof / 55.8% ABV — #ARN-SH**

Full-term maturation in sherry casks, then bottled at natural strength with no colouring or chill filtration, focuses date cake, cocoa and roasted walnut around a firm malt spine. Despite the power, a tea-leaf dryness keeps the finish precise. As the core sherry-led chapter, it shows Arran's spirit carrying richness as structure rather than sweetness.

• **Arran — 21 Year (Un-Chill Filtered, Natural Colour) — \$87 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ARN21**

Long residence in ex-Bourbon with a measured sherry-cask component polishes orange oils, almond toffee and coastal mineral notes into a calm, satin glide; bottled natural colour and un-chill-filtered. Sweetness stays disciplined as cedar and citrus pith shape the close. As the mature pillar of the core range, it translates Arran's freshness into length and quiet authority.

• **Arran — 18 Year (Creetown, Single Cask — Cask Strength) — \$79 — 109.2 proof / 54.6% ABV — #ARN18CRT**

Distilled at Lochranza and drawn from a single cask selected by Creetown; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered and natural colour. Single-cask concentration brings focused malt sweetness, orchard fruit and nut-spice over a firm, mineral line, the finish long and dry-edged. As an independent snapshot, it swaps brand polish for specificity—one cask, one voice—showing Arran's elegance in high relief.

Highland Park The origins of Highland Park live in the history of Magnus Eunson, and church official and whisky smuggler who was caught distilling on the current distillery's location in 1798. The distilling license was assigned to Robert Borwick in 1826 before transferring to James Grant in 1898. These whiskies use peat obtained from Hobbister Moor and contain a significant amount of heather compared to Islay sources, imparting the floral notes the distillery is known for. The exclusive use of Sherry oak for maturation emphasizes the smooth body and rich flavors in the spirit.

• **Highland Park — 12 Year 'Viking Honour' — \$29 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #HP12VH**

Matured in a mix of sherry-seasoned American and European oak casks, the spirit's gentle Orkney heather-peat reads as silky smoke over honeyed malt and orange peel. American oak brings vanilla brightness; European oak adds walnut and tea-leaf dryness, keeping the finish trim. As the gateway to the house style, it sets the template: sherry discipline, aromatic smoke, and a calm maritime lift that's distinctly Orkney.

• **Highland Park — 15 Year 'Viking Heart' — \$45 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #HP15VHRT**

A higher proportion of sherry-seasoned European oak is balanced by American oak casks, deepening dried-fruit tone while preserving citrus-vanilla lift; the heather-peat stays fragrant, not heavy. Texture turns satin, finishing cedar-dry with a flicker of spice. Introduced as a revived age statement, 15 pushes the 12's framework into richer, more textural territory—an elegant midpoint in the modern Highland Park arc.

• **Highland Park — 18 Year — \$63 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #HP18**

Parcels from sherry-seasoned American and European oak marry to unfurl dark citrus, polished walnut and cocoa around a poised, honeyed core; heather-smoke threads the line without crowding the fruit. The palate glides, sweetness kept in check by fine, tea-leaf tannin. Long seen as the connoisseur's sweet spot, the 18 translates house balance into length and quiet authority—Orkney character rendered in deep focus.

• **Highland Park — 21 Year — \$132 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HP21**

Extended maturation in sherry-seasoned European and American oak turns orchard brightness toward fig, orange-tea dryness and sandalwood, while Orkney peat stays silky and aromatic. The mid-palate is layered yet composed, the finish mineral and cedar-lined. As a periodically released elder, 21 reframes Highland Park's signature harmony—sherry weight and maritime smoke woven for resonance rather than volume.

• **Highland Park — 18 Year (Duncan Taylor, 2004–2023 — Single Sherry Cask) — \$83 — 106.2 proof / 53.1% ABV — #HP18DT0423**

Distilled in 2004 and bottled in 2023 from a single sherry cask selected by Duncan Taylor, this cask-strength Orkney malt threads heather-sweet smoke through dark citrus, walnut and cocoa. The palate glides—silky peat, orange-tea dryness, a cedar-dry close. As an independent, single-cask snapshot, it trades house polish for specificity: one barrel's sherry voice casting Highland Park's balance in deep relief.

• **Highland Park 13 Year — 'Prime Malt Selection No.2' — 1989 - 2002 — \$82 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #HP-PM-1989**

This unique whisky bottled by Duncan Taylor for the 'Prime Malt Selection' series, was aged in

European oak Sherry butt. Honeyed malt, citrus and a wisp of heather-smoke present on the nose before leading into a rich, medium weight palate.

• **Highland Park 15 Year ‘Loki’ — Valhalla Collection — \$134 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #8723640062**

Atypical for the distillery, heavily peated casks are included in this special bottling to represent a playful reference to the Norse trickster god Loki. Heathery smoke and caramelized citrus are layered over the typical Highland Park expression.

• **Highland Park 16 Year ‘Odin’ — Valhalla Collection — \$142 — 111.6 proof / 55.8% ABV — #1206602085**

The use of refill ex-Bourbon hogsheads for maturation alongside the typical ex-Sherry butts defines this bottling. Dense dried-fruit, cacao and smoldering peat ride a broad, oil-satin palate to a long, dry close. The high proof on this part of the collection presents with power and muscle.

• **Highland Park 18 Year — Duncan Taylor ‘Single Cask / Sherry’ — 2004 - 2023 — \$131 — 106.2 proof / 53.1% ABV — #HP-DT-2004**

An independent bottling that focuses on the depth of single ex-Sherry barrel influence through cask strength proofing. Aromas of baked plum, heather-honey and gentle peat fold into chocolate-almond richness.

• **Highland Park 25 Year — \$375 — 91.4 proof / 45.7% ABV — #HP-25**

Some ex-Bourbon barrels are used for this age expression to provide brighter and longer lived citrus and vanilla notes. Also expect treacle, orange oil and polished spice over a supple, honeyed core to produce an essential bottling from the distillery.

• **Highland Park 30 Year — \$750 — 91.4 proof / 45.7% ABV — #1206602032**

Bottled at cask strength, the intensity of smoke on this long-aged whisky is excellently managed alongside the savory aromas and palate. Fudge, dark-chocolate orange and aromatic spice ride Highland Park’s floral peat with a decadently long finish.

• **Highland Park 30 Year — \$750 — 96.2 proof / 48.1% ABV — #8723640037**

Composed from sherry-seasoned European and American oak selected for depth and tension, presented at the rarer higher strength. Treacle, orange oil and polished spice fold into heathery smoke, landing broad yet dry. This earlier 30 shows a more muscular register than later 45.7% editions.

• **Highland Park Dark Origins — \$48 — 93.6 proof / 46.8% ABV — #1206602082**

A non-chill-filtered release that amplifies cocoa-rich fruit and spice around silky smoke. This sherry-forward detour became a cult favorite for its more brooding profile.

• **Highland Park 19 Year — Duncan Taylor ‘Dimensions’ — 1999 - 2018 — \$118 — 107.4 proof / 53.7% ABV — #HP-DT-1999**

This precise, high clarity release leans into the citrus and toffee notes of Highland Park’s distillate. 311 bottles were released from this single ex-Sherry cask.

• **Highland Park ‘Einar’ — Warrior Series (Travel Retail) — \$56 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #010314300264**

Lighter in body than other productions, this special release offers more tropical richness on top of the usual citrusy and lightly smoky frame of the distillery.

• **Highland Park 15 Year — ‘Gotham City’ — 2002 - 2017 (Single Cask #3297) — \$94 — 119.2 proof / 59.6% ABV — #HP-GOTH-2002**

Matured entirely in a refill sherry butt, 588 bottles were released exclusively to the New York City market. Chocolate and coffee notes play underneath the signature house distillate with marzipan and wax characters filling the palate.

• **Highland Park ‘Harald’ — Warrior Series — \$65 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #010314300340**

Leaning spicier and more pastry-forward than the ‘Einar,’ ginger, sponge cake and sandalwood mark the prominent aromas of this limited edition whisky.

• **Highland Park 19 Year — Keepers of the Quaich ‘No. 3’ — 1998 - 2018 (Refill Hogshead #7667) — \$205 — 111.4 proof / 55.7% ABV — #HP-KQ-7667**

A small production of 297 bottles from a single refill ex-Bourbon hogshead was selected by Gordon Motion and Annabel Meikle for Keepers of the Quaich. This complex and long whisky shows buttered malt, orange oils and polished oak over measured peat.

• **Highland Park 25 Year — Signatory Cask Strength (Cask #749) — 1988 - 2014 — \$346 — 101.4 proof / 50.7% ABV — #SV-HP-1988-749**

Only 216 bottles were released from the ex-Bourbon hogshead used to mature this whisky. The high proof delivers intense and complex aromas with orchard fruit, salt water taffy, and cinnamon complicating the typical distillery flavors.

• **Highland Park ‘Sigurd’ — Warrior Series — \$65 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #01314300371**

Focusing on darker aromas, you will find chocolate malt and sherried aromas with clear and bright peated citrus and floral smoke in this whisky.

• **Highland Park 15 Year — Single Cask Series ‘Le Clos’ — 2002 - 2017 — \$132 — 110.6 proof / 55.3% ABV — #HP-LC-2911**

A tiny 162 bottle production matured in a single refill hogshead made for Le Clos in Dubai, the spirit keeps an up-front floral and citrus quality. This high proof bottling also maintains a rich and oily palate that leads to an extensive finish.

• **Highland Park 23 Year — Duncan Taylor ‘The Octave’ — 1999 - 2022 — \$245 — 108.4 proof / 54.2% ABV — #HP-OCT-5029309-014/078**

Following a traditional maturation before a portion is racked into a small 50 liter barrel for an intense finishing period, only 78 bottles of this whisky were produced by Duncan Taylor. The result is an incredibly dense and compact expression with increased complexity and depth.

• **Highland Park ‘Valkyrie’ — Viking Legend — \$38 — 91.8 proof / 45.9% ABV — #1206602178**

Liquorice-tinged smoke, green apple and spice aromas characterize the unique expression of this first release in the Viking Legend trilogy. The palate is creamy and maritime with a lingering finish.

• **Single Cask Nation ‘Stones of Stenness’ — Orkney 18 Year — 1999 - 2018 — \$33 — 109.6 proof / 54.8% ABV — #SCN-OSS-1999**

Candied lemon and salty, mineral rich sea air dictate the aroma, with a simmering peat smoke

in the background. The palate is decidedly peated with more notes of citrus and salinity bursting through a smoky, salty, citrus-forward finish.

• **John Milroy Selection — ‘Orkney’ 10 Year (Single Cask) — \$27 — 113.2 proof / 56.6% ABV — #JMSORK10**

Drawn from a single cask at natural strength, sourced from an unnamed Orkney distillery to let the island speak plainly: honeyed malt, lemon peel and silky, heathery smoke over a firm, mineral line. The finish is brisk and tea-leaf dry. As a Milroy indie pick, it offers a candid look at Orkney character—maritime brightness and aromatic peat, focused by single-cask precision.

• **A.D. Rattray — ‘Orkney’ 15 Year — \$52 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ADROKR15**

Matured in a balanced mix of American oak ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned casks in support, bringing vanilla cream and orange oils into walnut, cocoa and a dry, pepper-flecked close; bottled at a textural 46%. The smoke reads aromatic rather than heavy. As a curated A.D. Rattray selection, it frames classic Orkney elegance—sherry discipline and heather-peat perfume—without naming the source.

Jura distillery, located just northeast of Islay, boasts over 2 million liters of output per year. Using stills with a proprietary constricted neck, the resultant whisky is high in esters producing a distinctly light and fruity dram. Prior to 1995 new make was barreled in a variety of sherry and wine casks, but from 1995 to 2016 a massive program was set forth to re-cask every barrel in higher quality ex-Bourbon casks. The final bottles embrace extraordinary complexity due to the multiple caskings.

• **Isle of Jura — 10 Year (Oloroso Sherry Butts Finish) — \$23 — 96 proof / 48% ABV — #JRA10OLO**

American-oak ex-Bourbon maturation is re-racked into Oloroso sherry butts to add walnut, raisin and sweet spice around Jura’s orchard-bright core. Light island smoke threads the palate, which stays supple and coastal, finishing tidy and tea-leaf dry. As the gateway age statement from this remote island stillhouse—known for tall stills and blending peated with unpeated runs—it balances gentle maritime character with a measured sherry accent.

• **Isle of Jura — 12 Year (Oloroso Sherry Cask Finish) — \$25 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JRA12OLO**

Long ex-Bourbon aging followed by an Oloroso finish deepens orange peel, roasted nut and cocoa over clean, lightly smoky malt. The sherry reads polished rather than heavy, with mineral freshness keeping the close dry and precise. Sitting between the breezy 10 and bolder finishes, the 12 refines Jura’s island profile into calmer, longer lines—sweetness trimmed by oak discipline.

• **Isle of Jura — 18 Year (Bordeaux Red-Wine Cask Finish) — \$47 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #JRA18BOR**

Mature stocks from American-oak ex-Bourbon are finished in Bordeaux red-wine casks, layering black-currant, cherry skin and a gentle tannic frame onto briny, honeyed malt. Texture turns satin yet stays lifted, the finish cedar-dry with a wisp of hearth smoke. As the range’s wine-led elder, it shows Jura’s maritime fruit translated through Left-Bank structure—depth expressed as poise, not weight.

• **Isle of Jura — ‘Seven Wood’ — \$39 — 84 proof / 42% ABV — #JRA7WOOD**

A complex journey: ex-Bourbon American oak followed by time across multiple French-oak casks (from celebrated forests) to weave vanilla, mocha, sandalwood and fine spice around citrus-malt brightness. The palate feels layered yet agile, sweetness checked by dry, cedary grip. As Jura’s oak-study statement, Seven Wood explores how diverse grain and toast levels can broaden the island style without burying its gentle smoke and sea-spray lift.

• **Jura 30 Year ‘Camas an Staca’ — 2012 Release — \$460 — 88 proof / 44% ABV — #JURA-30-CAS**

The final 3 years of this whisky is spent in González Byass Amoroso sherry butts to develop a sweet date and nutty flavor. Notes of cooked pear, orange oil and date richness present with gentle island smoke.

• **Jura ‘Brooklyn’ — \$70 — 84 proof / 42% ABV — #JURA-BKLYN**

Finished in Amoroso Sherry and Pinot Noir wine casks, this collaboration with several Brooklyn, NY based organizations, this special edition leans into red berry fruit and vanilla with roasted coffee and malt notes finishing the palate.

• **Jura 16 Year — ‘Diurachs’ Own’ — \$59 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JURA-16-DO**

Undergoing a two-year finish in Amoroso sherry casks, raisin, toffee and gentle spice are added to Jura’s honeyed island malt. The texture remains supple and the palate typifies the Jura style.

• **Jura ‘Prophecy’ — \$62 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #JURA-PROPH**

Blended with parcels matured in French Limousin oak, ‘Prophecy’ channels Jura’s heavily peated register into licorice-tinged smoke, cocoa and citrus over a firm, dry backbone. Subtle baking spice notes on the mid-palate and finish characterize the oak influence of this unique release.

• **Jura ‘Superstition’ — \$58 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #JURA-SUP**

The spirit used in this non-age stated whisky is mix of peated and unpeated spirit up to 21 years old. The mouthfeel is easy and satin, showcasing the house’s typical style in an approachable and experimentally peaty way.

• **Jura ‘Tùras-Mara’ — Travel Retail — \$59 — 84 proof / 42% ABV — #JURA-TURAS**

This limited release was aged in ex-Bourbon, Spanish sherry, French wine and Port-pipe casks for a complex marriage of distinct aromas. Fruit forward, especially with plums and blackberries, notes of vanilla and gentle spice drive to a shorter, maritime finish.

Scapa - Located on the remote Orkney Islands in the far north of Scotland, once one of two distilleries, the islands now host 5 distilleries. With one only one wash still and one spirit still, Scapa utilizes a very unique wash still with a large bulbous base and a thick straight column with no taper or constriction, the spirit is cooled with Lomond cooling system. Warehoused close to the sea, and consistently monitored for any unwanted salt or maritime influence, to this day a debate to be had amongst connoisseurs. Scapa is currently under the umbrella of Pernod Ricard.

• **Scapa — 16 Year — \$47 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #SCPA16**

Long residence in first-fill American-oak barrels polishes honeyed pear, vanilla and gentle coastal salinity into a creamy glide. Unpeated spirit and Scapa's modified Lomond wash still lend a soft, oil-satin texture, finishing neat and citrus-tea dry. A now-retired age statement, the 16 stands as the bridge between old-guard Scapa and the modern Skiren era—Orkney rendered without smoke yet rich in maritime poise.

• **Scapa 12 Year — \$40 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #8954039739**

A now discontinued aged expression, the 12 Year is matured in ex-bourbon casks to keep Scapa's unpeated, honeyed style front and center. Notes of lemon oil, pear and soft toffee are prominent on a calm, elegant palate.

Talisker is no longer the only distillery on the isle of Skye, but it is such an amazing whisky, with its chili pepper signature aroma, its gently peated profile, its incredible ability to pair with oysters, its role in the Billion Oyster Project in NY...And it's one of the last distilleries to use worm tub condensers. Two women now lead the production of this whisky created by blending a non-peated and a heavily-peated new make spirits (overall 18 to 22 ppm), exclusively released as single malts, with the exception of its use in the Johnnie Walker Green perhaps? Talisker got so popular as of late that it is now double the price it was 10 years ago! Is it because Bond is seen drinking it with M?

• **Talisker 10 Year — \$26 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #8807632830**

This entry age statement highlights the peppery, sea-sprayed house style with fruitier, fresher, and more youthful qualities. Lemon oil, malt sweetness, and campfire dominate the palate.

• **Talisker — 18 Year — \$79 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TLK18**

Long maturation across **refill and select first-fill American oak** (European-oak support) translates coastal smoke into calm resonance: burnt orange, honeyed malt and polished cedar glide over mineral depth. The close is tea-leaf dry with the signature pepper glow. As the stately elder of the range, it turns Talisker's elemental power into length and quiet authority.

• **Talisker — Distillers Edition 2022 (Amoroso Finish) — \$39 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TLKDE22**

Primary American-oak maturation is second-matured in Amoroso-seasoned casks, which lend raisined fruit, walnut and cocoa to the island's briny smoke. Texture reads satin and composed; sweetness stays neatly in check as pepper and sea spray frame the close. Within the DE series, the 2022 bottling shows Talisker through a duskier sherry lens without losing maritime clarity.

• **Talisker — 'House Greyjoy' (Game of Thrones) — \$37 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TLKHGOT**

Composed from American-oak ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned elements to underline roasted nut and orange-peel tones around Talisker's saline smoke. The palate is taut and coastal, finishing on pepper and tea-leaf dryness. Issued for the GOT collection, it situates Talisker's Iron Islands kinship in whisky culture—maritime character presented in a bright, celebratory register.

• **Talisker — ‘Storm’ — \$29 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TLKSTORM**

A bolder composition from first-fill and refill American-oak casks that amplifies brine, grilled citrus and pepper over a supple malt core. Smoke reads wind-caught and aromatic rather than heavy, the finish firm and sea-salt dry. Introduced to explore a more elemental profile, Storm turns up the coastal energy while keeping Talisker’s balance intact.

• **Talisker — Special Release 2022 (Natural Cask Strength, ‘Light Peat’) — \$59 — 110.2 proof / 55.1% ABV — #TLKSR2022**

Selected parcels from refill and first-fill American-oak casks are bottled at natural strength to foreground bright citrus, briny sweetness and lifted, incense-like smoke; un-chill-filtered. Despite the power, the palate stays incisive and mineral, pepper driving a long, dry close. As a themed Special Release, it reframes Talisker’s peat as illumination rather than weight—clarity in high definition.

• **Talisker — 8 Year (2024 Special Release, Natural Cask Strength) — \$37 — 117.4 proof / 58.7% ABV — #TLK8SR2024**

Built from younger Talisker in first-fill and refill American-oak to emphasize zest, sea spray and kiln-clean smoke; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. The attack is vivid and salty-sweet, easing into pepper, citrus pith and a firm, cedar-dry finish. As the annual 8-year statement, it channels the distillery’s raw coastal energy into precision and lift.

• **Torabhaig — ‘Allt Gleann’ (The Legacy Series, Batch Strength) — \$33 — 122.2 proof / 61.1% ABV / 23 ppm — #TRBAG**

Composed from first-fill and refill American-oak casks to keep orchard-bright malt in view while the peat reads as silky, aromatic smoke; batch strength, natural feel. Lemon wafer, briny sweetness and soot-kissed spice ride a firm, youthful spine to a clean, mineral finish. As the core Legacy chapter, it establishes Skye’s new voice—structured peat with modern clarity.

• **Talisker — ‘Keepers of the Quaich’ Single Cask — 1998 - 2017— \$88 — 113.2 proof / 56.6% ABV — #TL-KQ-6829**

The use of a single refill Sherry butt introduces dark citrus, toffee and briny pepper to Talisker’s coastal smoky frame. Bottled at cask strength for heightened complexity and intensity.

• **Talisker 175th Anniversary — Bottled 2005 — \$183 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #31012959**

A special cask selection which includes some spirit aged up to 20 years, this whisky plays more delicate and fruit driven than other expressions from the distillery. Cocoa, orange zest, caramel, hints of chili spice, and sea-spray smoke encapsulate the honeyed malt.

• **Talisker 18 Year — \$79 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #8807616471**

Incorporating spirit aged in ex-Bourbon and Sherry casks, this age indication develops more integrated plum, butterscotch, and chocolate among the typical Talisker profile.

• **Talisker 25 Year — Distilled 1975 (2001 Release) — \$454 — 119.8 proof / 59.9% ABV — #TAL-25-1975**

The first 25 year Talisker ever released. Mature aromas of earth, anise, and mushroom strike first, with lemon custard, key lime, and candied fruits developing over a peat moss structure. This elegant whisky develops further in the glass over time.

• **Talisker 30 Year — 2010 Special Release — \$562 — 114.6 proof / 57.3% ABV — #TAL-30-2010-2944/2958**

This high proof limited release presents uniquely sweet with peaches, fruit cup, and honey characterizing the initial aromas. Caramel and smoke lead into sea-spray on a peppery body and long finish.

• **Talisker 30 Year — 2011 Limited Edition — \$578 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TAL-30-2011-2937/2964**

More savory and coastal on the nose than the 2010, expect briny smoke, seaweed, and pickled citrus aromas. The palate offers a slightly fruitier core of rum cake and stewed fruits accompanied by fresh peppery ginger.

• **Talisker 30 Year — 2022 Release — \$460 — 99.2 proof / 49.6% ABV — #TAL-30-2022-2939/3195**

Showing a waxy, mouth filling palate while delivering salted caramel, apple, orange peel and bonfire, this edition of the Talisker 30 Year marks a return for the distillery to elegant, uplifted, long-aged productions.

• **Talisker '57° North' — \$50 — 114 proof / 57% ABV — #TAL-57N**

The higher bottling proof of 114 amplifies the typical house profile in this bottling, offering improved clarity of aroma on a denser and more peppery palate.

Talisker Distiller's Edition

This near-annual special release from Talisker undergoes the house's usual maturation in ex-Bourbon barrels before being finished in Amoroso Sherry casks. Amoroso, a sweetened version of Oloroso, typically adds cocoa, raisin, fig, and other stewed fruit qualities to a whisky. The extent to which these qualities are added and the intensity of these flavors changes in each release, showcasing the peculiarities of whisky maturation and the intent of the distiller when marrying casks. We hope you can appreciate the unique qualities of these editions, ranging from the sweetened, fruit driven, heavily Amoroso influenced styles to the brinier and slightly more typical Talisker examples.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 1998 - 2009 — \$76 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5LX**

Cocoa, raisin and orange oil frame Talisker's briny pepper and embered smoke, finishing neat and dry. As an early-vintage DE, the 1998/2009 balances sweetness and sea-spray without softening the island snap.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 1999 - 2010 — \$71 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5MY**

Red berries shine with nutty depth against Talisker's coastal smoke and pepper. The texture stays satin to a dry close. This vintage reads a touch plusher than 1998 while keeping the house line taut.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2001 - 2012 — \$69 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5OA**

Cocoa powder, juicy raisin, and dark fruits fold are integrated in a briny pepper and campfire smoke core.. This early-vintage DE sweetens and softens the spirit but does not lose the sea spray.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2002 - 2013 — \$65 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5PB**
The nose presents with a pronounced peat with hints of iodine before giving way to cooked red berry jam. The sweeter notes of dark chocolate and hazelnut opens up on the mid palate.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2005 - 2015 — \$61 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5RD**
The entrance to this edition is softer and slightly more plush. While the salty smoke is present, apples, strawberries, and apricots bring fruity complexity to the dram without extreme sweetness.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2007 - 2017 — \$57 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5TF**
Balance is the point here: richer mid-palate, raisin, toffee and citrus, and a clean, dry, smoky landing. A late-2010s entry that sharpened the DE's fruit-and-smoke handshake.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2008 - 2018 — \$52 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5UG**
Vanilla is slightly more present here alongside notable iodine and peat notes. Dark chocolate and berries still make their appearance on the nose before dates take over on the palate. The finish is long, dry, and mineral focused.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2009 - 2019 — \$47 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5VH**
Notably richer than other editions, you can expect caramel, cherry cordial, and citrus tart to present ahead of Talisker's smokiness. Make no mistake, this is still Talisker and keeps menthol and smoke on deck in the mid-palate and finish.

• **Talisker Distillers Edition — 2011 - 2021 — \$41 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #TD-S:5XJ**
The nose opens with salted caramel, dates, and flecks of lemon on a relatively tamed approach. This leads into a traditionally Talisker palate rich with grilled lemons and hints of honey before a tight, concise close.

• **Talisker — Game of Thrones 'House Greyjoy' (Select Reserve) — \$48 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #000267173832**
A non-age statement whisky matured in extra-charred and refill ex-bourbon casks, this Game of Thrones tie-in threads vanilla, char and coastal pepper through a silky malt line. It remains briny and smoke driven on the finish in quintessential Talisker fashion.

• **Talisker Port Ruighe — Port Cask Finish — \$59 — 91.6 proof / 45.8% ABV — #000281033143**
A combination of whisky aged in ex-Bourbon and European oak is finished in Port casks to produce a more fruit driven profile. This bottling is generally accepted as more easily accessible compared to other Talisker productions.

• **Talisker 37 Years — Prima & Ultima — 1984 - 2021 — \$788 — 103.8 proof / 51.9% ABV — #TAL-PU-1984**
The whisky used to produce this bottling represent the final stock of the 1984 vintage. Matured in a rare set of refill American-oak hogsheads and an ex-Sherry European oak butt, the peat shows first with a delicate smokiness and sandy beach before leading into rock candy, leather, and a briny finish.

• **Talisker 'The Wild Explorador' — Special Releases 2023 — \$38 — 119.4 proof / 59.7% ABV — #TAL-SR23-WE**

Finished across White, Tawny and Ruby Port casks, the result is a complex sweet and savory whisky with cherry, salted caramel, cured fish, and spice over Talisker's sea-spray smoke.

• **Talisker 27 Year — 'Maritime Edition' — 1985 - 2013 — \$258 — 112.2 proof / 56.1% ABV — #TAL-27-1985**

Deep peppered peat, brine and smoked bacon meet honeyed malt and citrus. Though ocean water is prominent on the nose, the palate stays fruit driven and smooth with a notable smoky quality.

• **Talisker 45 Year 'Glacial Edge' — 2024 — \$700/\$1,400 — 99.6 proof / 49.8% ABV — #TAL-45-GE**

Using a process called 'ice fracturing' on heavily charred oak barrels to increase the internal surface area of the finishing barrels, this exceptionally aged whisky displays intense ocean aromas of seaweed, ocean water, and iodine before leading into orange, apricot, sandalwood, and salted caramel. This whisky represents the oldest official Talisker release to date.

Torabhaig is one of the latest distillery ventures in Scotland, and the second on this Western island of Skye! They opened in 2017 and have already released impressive malts (for the young age) from mildly peated Concerto and Laureate barley varieties. They call it 'well-tempered peat'...Douglas fir washbacks and ex-Bourbon barrels for maturation.

CAMBELTOWN

• **Glen Scotia — 10 Year ('Fruit & Gentle Spice', First-Fill ex-Bourbon) — \$24 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GS10**

Matured entirely in first-fill American-oak ex-Bourbon barrels, then married for balance to spotlight citrus, vanilla cream and soft baking spice over a saline, lightly oily palate. Gentle coastal smoke sits well behind the fruit, the finish neat and tea-leaf dry. As part of Glen Scotia's modern revival, the 10 reintroduces Campbeltown's maritime brightness in an easy, contemporary register.

• **Glen Scotia — 18 Year ('Aromatic & Spicy', Oloroso Finish) — \$47 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GS18**

Long ex-Bourbon maturation is re-racked into Oloroso sherry casks to layer walnut, orange-tea dryness and cocoa over the distillery's briny sweetness; bottled for texture and length. Smoke reads aromatic rather than heavy, oak firming a cedar-dry close. As the mature core expression, the 18 translates Campbeltown's coastal line into resonance—depth and spice carried by structure, not sugar.

Hazelburn Distillery did a lot of things right but it started off doing very much wrong. Initially an illegal operation in 1792, it obtained its license in 1825 and operated for 100 years until its first closure in 1925. During this time it became

Campbeltown's largest distillery and was host to Masataka Taketsuru, the Godfather of Japanese Whisky who would go on to found Yamazaki and create Nikka (all with Hazelburn's pot still design!). Though the original whiskies were peated, the 1997 Springbank-led revival presents an unpeated, triple-distilled spirit showcasing lightness and fruit.

• **Hazelburn — 21 Year (Springbank's Triple-Distilled, Unpeated) — \$183 — 86.4 proof / 43.2% ABV — #HZB21**

Composed from parcels long-matured in ex-Bourbon and sherry casks, then patiently married to showcase orchard fruit, nougat and nut-spice on a silken glide—Springbank's triple distillation lending uncommon softness. Sweetness stays trim as fine tannin shapes a dry, elegant finish. As the elder of Hazelburn's unpeated line, the 21 shows Campbeltown finesse through time and texture rather than smoke.

• **Hazelburn 13 Year — Oloroso Cask Matured — 2003 - 2017 — \$89 — 94.2 proof / 47.1% ABV — #HB-13-2003-OLO**

This is the first release of Hazelburn's exclusively Oloroso cask whisky. Dense and concentrated fruit aromas are complemented by chocolate, baking spice, and pronounced nutty and earthy funk.

• **Hazelburn 12 Year — Oloroso Cask Matured — 2012 - 2022 — \$78 — 99.8 proof / 49.9% ABV — #HB-12-2012-OLO**

Slightly restrained on the nose, this edition offers raspberry tart, peach, licorice and shortbread before a moderate finish.

• **Hazelburn 14 Year — Oloroso Cask Matured — 2004 - 2019 — \$81 — 98.6 proof / 49.3% ABV — #HB-14-2004-OLO**

A concentrated and fruit-driven release showing dark fruit and tobacco leaf balanced by old wood and earthy aromas.

• **Hazelburn 15 Year — Oloroso Cask Matured — 2008 - 2023 — \$94 — 111.6 proof / 55.8% ABV — #HB-15-2008-OLO**

Fig, leather, cola, and mocha are delivered on a full bodied, waxy palate that includes cinnamon and ginger spice.

• **Hazelburn 21 Years — 2022 Release — \$189 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HB-21-2022**

Notes of treacle, brown sugar and old books lead into hints of red fruit on the nose. The rich, buttery palate delivers prunes and roasted walnuts before leading to a mineral earthy finish.

• **Hazelburn 8 Years — 1st Edition (2005) — \$95 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HB-8-FE-2005**

A first release of youthful age statement whisky from Hazelburn, expect honey, cut hay, orchard fruits, and cereal on the nose. Hazelnut, walnut, and butterscotch become apparent on the barely medium bodied palate.

• **Hazelburn 9 Years — 'Barolo Cask Matured' — 2007 - 2016 — \$97 — 115.8 proof / 57.9% ABV — #HB-9-2007-BAR**

After 6 years in first-fill ex-Bourbon casks, the whisky is moved to Barolo wine barrels for another 3 years of maturation. Cherry and strawberry aromas with rose petal and cocoa fold into malty sweetness and a firm, dry close.

Kilkerran was created at the Glengyle distillery in Campbeltown by the Mitchell Family, famously connected to Springbank Distillery, in 1872. The distillery operated in the Mitchell family for 45 years before being sold and, shortly thereafter, was closed due to post-WWI economic conditions. The distillery was purchased in 2000 by J&A Mitchell & Co., current owners of Springbank and associated distilleries. It now not only produces its own lightly peated, coastal whiskies, but also does floor malting on-site for itself and Springbank.

• **Kilkerran — 12 Year — \$39 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #KK12**

A classic Glengyle composition: predominantly ex-Bourbon casks with sherry in support, married and bottled natural for a wax-tipped, cereal-bright palate edged by lemon zest, ginger and a flicker of kiln smoke. The finish is mineral and tidy. As the house benchmark, the 12 anchors the revival of the Glengyle distillery—Campbeltown character rendered in clean lines and honest oak.

• **Kilkerran — 16 Year — \$51 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #KK16**

Predominantly ex-Bourbon maturation with a measured sherry-cask component, married and bottled natural to keep waxy malt, lemon oils and gingered spice in clear relief. A faint, kiln-clean smoke threads the mid-palate; oak finishes tea-leaf dry. As Glengyle's mature core statement, the 16 widens the 12's frame—Campbeltown's mineral line rendered in longer, calmer sentences without losing its briny snap.

• **Kilkerran — 8 Year (Bourbon Cask Matured, Cask Strength) — \$31 — 111.2 proof / 55.6% ABV — #KK8CSB**

Full-term American-oak ex-Bourbon barrels deliver citrus, vanilla cream and cereal brightness at natural strength; water teases out honey and a lick of coastal smoke. Texture is wax-tipped and energetic, the close dry and cedary. As the annual cask-strength chapter, the 8 shows Glengyle's youth as precision rather than blunt force—clarity of spirit carried by honest oak.

• **Kilkerran 17 Years — Single Cask '20th Anniversary' — \$237 — 114.6 proof / 57.3% ABV — #KK-17-20TH**

Aged in a single refill Sherry hogshead, this cask strength official release of only 269 bottles brings warming spices, raisin, chocolate, and roasted nuts to a long, honeyed, sea salt and gently smoky finish.

• **Kilkerran 'Heavily Peated' — Batch 10 (2024) — \$35 — 115.6 proof / 57.8% ABV — #KK-HP-B10**

Made with spirit aged in ex-Bourbon and Sherry cask, the smokiness of this whisky becomes immediately apparent. Tar, vanilla and salted caramel integrate with dried fruit before a lightly tannic finish.

Longrow has a history tied deeply to Springbank Distillery. Located next door, the two distilleries operated alongside each other until the Longrow closure in 1898. Springbank acquired the property to use as a bottling hall but, in 1970, chose to reopen production as their bottling needs became more sophisticated. To separate Longrow whisky from their core portfolio, the group opted for heavily peated malt whisky. The first 10 Year was released in 1985 and the brand represents the upper tier of peated whisky in the Springbank book.

• **Longrow — ‘Peated’ — \$32 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LNGP**

A composition of ex-Bourbon and sherry casks frames sweet malt and salted toffee with Campbeltown’s oily, chimney-glow smoke; bottled natural for texture. The palate moves from briny sweetness to peppered ash and tea-leaf dryness. As Springbank’s peat-forward branch, Longrow Peated offers an elemental, old-school register—hearty yet balanced, with maritime lift and firm, drying oak.

• **Longrow — ‘Peated’ (Cask Strength, Batch 1) — \$39 — 114 proof / 57% ABV — #LNGP-CSB1**

Selected ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned parcels are married and bottled at natural strength to amplify soot-laced smoke, grilled citrus and malty sweetness over a dense, oily glide; un-chill-filtered. Despite the power, minerality keeps the finish crisp and cedar-dry. As the first cask-strength batch, it casts Longrow’s heritage style in high definition—Campbeltown muscle shaped by balance, not brute heat.

• **Longrow — 18 Year (Limited Edition) — \$92 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LNG18**

Parcels long-matured in ex-Bourbon and sherry casks are patiently married and bottled natural to showcase Campbeltown’s oily texture and chimney-glow smoke without heaviness. Kiln-clean peat threads salted toffee, grilled citrus and tea-leaf dryness. As an annual limited release from Springbank’s peated make, the 18 channels old-school Longrow depth—structure and savor shaped by time, not sweetness.

• **Longrow 18 Year — \$88 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LGR-18**

Peat forward, this whisky expresses jammy blackberry alongside dark chocolate cake, date, espresso, and a rich, mouthfilling palate. The finish is long, smoky, and saline with a hint of caramel.

• **Longrow 21 Year (Peated) — \$138 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LGR-21**

Antique furniture, cured meat, and wet earth appear on the nose while dark fruits, mango, and savory coal dust smoke enrich the dense, oily palate. A slightly metallic earthy finish rounds out the experience.

• **Longrow Red — 11 Years ‘Australian Shiraz Cask’ — \$99 — 107.4 proof / 53.7% ABV — #LGR-RED-AUS11**

A special edition that spends an extensive 5 years in Australian Shiraz hogsheads from Angove’s Long Row winery after an initial 6 years in refill ex-Bourbon barrels, red wine notes of brambly red fruit peppered smoke widen the oily Longrow palate.

• **Longrow Red — 11 Years ‘Cabernet Franc Matured’ — \$99 — 111.8 proof / 55.9% ABV — #LGR-RED-CF11**

2 years of finishing in Cabernet Franc barriques from De Toren Private Cellars in South Africa brings redcurrant, rose petal and tobacco to a slightly more petrol and smoke tinged palate.

• **Longrow Red — 11 Years ‘Pinot Noir Cask Matured’ — \$99 — 106.2 proof / 53.1% ABV — #LGR-RED-PN11**

Using Pinot Noir casks from New Zealand’s Valli winery for a 3 year finish to this whisky, surprising bright notes of cranberry and cherry integrate with dutch cocoa to create a notably fruit-forward expression of Longrow.

• **Longrow Red — 11 Year Tawny Port Cask Matured — 2022 Release — \$99 — 115 proof / 57.5% ABV — #LGR-RED-TP11**

After spending 4 years in fresh Tawny Port barrels from an undisclosed producer to finish, the distinctly peated Longrow develops a highly integrated blackberry and currant quality.

• **Longrow Red — 12 Year Fresh Pinot Noir Casks — 2015 Release — \$130 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV — #LGR-RED-PN12**

With 1 year in New Zealand Pinot Noir casks, the spirit develops apparent cranberry and strawberry that linger on the palate through peat smoke and licorice to a long and fruit-driven finish.

• **Longrow Red — 13 Year Malbec Cask Matured — 2017 Release — \$130 — 102.6 proof / 51.3% ABV — #LGR-RED-ML13**

With 15 months to finish in South African Malbec barriques provided by Stellenbosch, atypical red fruit aromas appear on the nose while plum, black pepper, and tannins integrate with the Longrow distillate. A fan favorite.

• **Longrow Red — 15 Year Pinot Noir Cask Matured — 2022 Release — \$133 — 102.8 proof / 51.4% ABV — #LGR-RED-PN15**

This release spent 4 years in Valli Pinot Noir casks to extract more concentrated cherry and strawberry aromas. On the palate, the fruit quickly leads into more typical Longrow flavors and a notable black-tea tannin finish.

• **Longrow Red — 7 Year Pinot Noir Cask Matured — 2024 Release — \$58 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV — #LGR-RED-PN07**

The finish here is 3 years in Domaine Florent Garaudet French oak Pinot Noir casks. Raspberry and smoked ham ride mineral, coastal peat in a punchy, youthful entry designed for intensity.

Springbank are the survivors of Campbeltown. Originally established by William Reid in 1828 on land on by the maltster Mitchell family, this quintessential malt whisky helped cement Campbeltown as what was then called the 'Whisky Capital of the World.' Like most distilleries in Scotland, Springbank suffered myriad downturns related to economic forces including U.S. prohibition, the Great Depression, and the Whisky Loch. Nonetheless, the distillery persevered and continues to perform floor malting and other traditional practices.

• **Springbank — 10 Year — \$36 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB10**

A classic composition of ex-Bourbon and sherry casks, bottled natural to preserve the distillery's wax-tipped texture and coastal snap. Lemon peel, barley sugar and briny sweetness meet peppered malt and a whisper of kiln smoke. As the benchmark of Springbank's 2.5-times distillation house style, it captures Campbeltown's balance: vivid fruit, gentle peat, and mineral length.

• **Springbank — 15 Year — \$69 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB15**

Core stocks from ex-Bourbon are re-racked to Oloroso sherry for breadth, yielding cocoa, orange-tea dryness and walnut over a dense, oily mid-palate; bottled natural for texture. Smoke stays savory and hearth-like, finishing long and cedar-dry. As the sherry-led pillar of the range, the 15 deepens Springbank's maritime profile into calm resonance without tipping sweet.

• **Springbank — 21 Year — \$232 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB21**

Polished oak, dark citrus, and salted caramel come together around a supple, waxy palate. The peat reads as incense rather than weight. As a periodically released elder, 21 is the house style in long form.

• **Springbank — 21 Year (Adelphi Selections, Refill Rum Cask Matured) — \$212 — 106.8 proof / 53.4% ABV — #SB21-AD-RUM**

Full-term maturation in a refill rum cask draws molasses warmth, grilled pineapple and sugared citrus into Springbank's oily, saline core; bottled at natural strength, un-chill-filtered. The peat reads as chimney-glow rather than weight, finishing long and cedar-dry. As an Adelphi pick, it spotlights Campbeltown texture through a Caribbean lens—one cask's voice giving the house style a tropical, structured tilt.

• **Springbank — 25 Year (2021 Release) — \$231 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB25-2021**

Mature parcels from ex-Bourbon and sherry casks are married for poise: dark citrus, polished walnut and salted toffee ride a supple, waxed glide, peat showing as incense. Sweetness stays trimmed by tea-leaf dryness. As a periodic elder, the 2021 edition renders Springbank's 2.5-times-distilled character in long form—maritime depth and quiet authority rather than sheer weight.

• **Springbank — 25 Year (The Perfect Fifth, 1993–2019 — 1st-Fill Sherry Butt) — \$468 — 104.6 proof / 52.3% ABV — #SB25-TPF1993**

Distilled in 1993 and bottled in 2019 from a first-fill sherry butt selected by The Perfect Fifth, this natural-strength single cask layers fig, burnt orange and cocoa over Springbank's briny, oily spine. Peat hums softly as fine tannin carries a long, cedar-dry close

• **Springbank 10 Year — Palo Cortado Cask Matured (2024 Release) — \$78 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #SB-10-PC-2024**

With 3 years in Palo Cortado hogsheads to finish, aromas of dried orange, almond and salted caramel broaden Springbank's mineral, gently peated core. The long finish includes toasted walnuts, red fruit, and ocean spray.

• **Springbank 10 Year — Sherry Wood 'Amontillado' — 2014 - 2024 — \$78 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #SB-10-AMONT-24/197**

Half of this whisky's maturation is spent in Amontillado Sherry hogsheads. Nutty brightness and oak tannins frame citrus, toffee and a wisp of smoke, landing neat and mineral. A taut, savory turn in the Sherry Wood series that leaves the distillate's backbone clear.

• **Springbank 10 Year — Sherry Wood 'Pedro Ximénez' (2021 Release) — \$87 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #SB-10-PX-2021**

A finishing period of 3 years in Pedro Ximénez casks of Spanish oak encourages the development of cola and fig notes in this whisky. Dark chocolate and hints of citrus and smoke from gentle peating round out the complex palate.

• **Springbank 12 Year — Calvados Wood — 2000 - 2012 — \$113 — 105.4 proof / 52.7% ABV — #SB-12-CALV-2000**

With 6 years in Calvados casks, apple, brown sugar, vanilla and soft spice freshen the malty Springbank core while light peat and citrus keep the finish brisk and dry. A rare apple-brandied detour that reads bright and savory rather than sweet.

• **Springbank 12 Year ‘Green’ — Organic Barley (2015) — \$126 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB-12-GREEN**

Distilled from barley organically farmed near their distillery and matured entirely in ex-Bourbon barrels, this whisky leans into citrus, white grape, and more delicate coastal profile.

• **Springbank 12 Year — Cask Strength — \$129 — 114.4 proof / 57.2% ABV — #SB-12-CS**

An oil-satin texture carries salted malt, kiln smoke and lemon peel before a firm, dry finish. As Springbank’s reference cask-strength, it improves the clarity of the spirit without deviating from the core style.

• **Springbank 13 Year — Local Barley — 2010 - 2023 — \$138 — 108.2 proof / 54.1% ABV — #SB-LB-13**

A mix of 60% bourbon and 40% sherry casks with floor-malted local barley, ripe bananas, cinnamon, peaches, citrus, and coastal salt meet gentle dunnage earth. The whisky finishes long and complex on the palate.

• **Springbank 14 Year — ‘Manzanilla Cask’ — 1996 - 2011 — \$133 — 109.6 proof / 54.8% ABV — #SB-14-1996-MANZ**

Matured in a single Manzanilla cask, the typical savory, smoky, and fruit aromas of Springbank are married with green apple, lime, and an accentuated salty quality in this highly regarded limited release.

• **Springbank 14 Year — ‘Refill Sherry’ (Single Cask) — 1999 - 2014 — \$132 — 97.4 proof / 48.7% ABV — #SB-14-1999-RFS**

This official bottling was created exclusively for spirits importer Pacific Edge Wine and Spirits and remains a U.S. exclusive release. Polished oak, cinnamon and dark citrus ride malty sweetness with a measured wisp of smoke.

• **Springbank 17 Year — ‘Fresh Sherry’ (Single Cask) — 1997 - 2014 — \$156 — 102.8 proof / 51.4% ABV — #SB-17-1997-FS**

Drawn from a single fresh Sherry butt distilled, dried red fruit and cocoa notes widen the oily Campbeltown palate while coastal spice and gentle smoke keep the profile familiar. Sitting alongside the broader 1997 Sherry Wood releases, this single-cask feels tighter and more focused.

• **Springbank 17 Year — ‘Sherry Wood’ — 1997- 2015 — \$156 — 104.6 proof / 52.3% ABV — #SB-17-1997-SW**

This whisky underwent maturation in a mix of fresh and refill Sherry butts and hogsheads. Black cherry, fig, plum, and dried orange aromas cover a cocoa, plum, and licorice palate with characteristic Springbank peat throughout.

• **Springbank 18 Year — \$121 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB-18-A**

Madeira-cake richness, marzipan and gingerbread meet coastal salt and quiet smoke. As a core age statement, 18yrs balances Campbeltown’s earthy, wet stone character with layered oak nuance.

• **Springbank 18 Year — ‘Fresh Port’ Single Cask — 1996 - 2015 — 189 — 104.2 proof / 52.1% ABV — #SB-18-1996-PORT**

After 18 years in a fresh Port cask, a depth of fruit notes including cherry liqueur, bramble, and

plum are incorporated into Springbank's oily, coastal spine. This rare single-cask shows peaty and earthy with vivid red-fruit depth.

• **Springbank 21 Year — \$234 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB-21**

bottled without chill-filtration or added color. Figs, plums, and brown sugar characterize the sweeter elements of this age indication while savory aromas of Iberico ham, cinnamon spice, and banana bread round out the lightly peated experience.

• **Springbank 30 Year — \$585 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SB-30-46**

Powerfully tropical on the nose with tangerines, caramel, and polished wood rounding out the complex nose. The palate highlights a richer caramel quality framed by pineapple, candied ginger, honeycomb, and coconut before leading into gentle peat smoke.

• **Springbank 31 Year — Dun Bheagan (Ian Macleod) — 1974 - 2006 — \$868 — 112.4 proof / 56.2% ABV — #SB-DB-1974-1160**

A legacy bottling from a single Sherry butt that yielded 510 bottles. Polished walnut, dark citrus and cocoa integrate into Springbank's waxy, coastal core.

• **Springbank 8 Year — Local Barley (Bere, High Ranachan) — 2016 - 2024 — \$42 — 116.2 proof / 58.1% ABV — #SB-LB-8-58**

Using the Bere barley varietal grown at High Ranachan farm to produce the spirit, this 50/50 marriage of ex-Bourbon and ex-Sherry matured distillate presents a richer-than-typical Springbank body focused on lemon oil, honey, barley sugar and black pepper.

Tobermory Distillery was formerly known as Ledaig when it was built on the Isle of Mull in 1798. Located in the town of Tobermory, the distillery struggled to operate while producing rough, heavy peated malts. Through a significant amount of closures and ownership transfers, the facility was able to reopen in 1972 and renamed after the town in which it is located. Today, Tobermory produces two distinct labels: the unpeated Tobermory and the heavily peated Ledaig.

• **Tobermory — 12 Year (Un-Chill Filtered, Natural Colour) — \$41 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #TBM12**

Fully matured in American-oak ex-Bourbon barrels and bottled natural colour and un-chill-filtered, this core expression sets citrus, vanilla cream and honeyed barley over a lightly saline glide. Oak supports rather than steers, finishing neat and tea-leaf dry. Relaunched as the modern house benchmark, the 12 crystallises Tobermory's unpeated island style—bright fruit, clean oak, and a subtle coastal lift.

• **Ledaig — 10 Year (Tobermory's Peated Malt) — \$29 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #LDG10**

A decade in **Bourbon casks** frames briny sweetness, lemon oil and malty richness while the peat reads as chimney-glow rather than weight; bottled with a natural feel. The finish is mineral and pepper-lively. As the gateway to Ledaig's smoky voice from Tobermory, it defines Mull's maritime peat—characterful, direct, and refreshingly unsweet.

• **Ledaig — 18 Year (Sherry Cask Finish) — \$61 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #LDG18**

Initially **16 years in American-oak ex-Bourbon**, then **two years in sherry casks**, this mature Ledaig translates coastal smoke into orange-tinged depth, walnut and cocoa over a wax-tipped

palate. Sweetness stays disciplined as fine tannin carries a cedar-dry close. A decorated core release, it shows the house's peat in long form—power shaped by time and sherry poise.

• **Ledaig — 'Triple Wood' (Limited Edition) — \$51 — 107.6 proof / 53.8% ABV — #LDG-TW**

A marriage of malt matured across ex-Bourbon, Port and red-wine casks, then bottled at natural strength, weaving silky smoke with toffee, dark fruit and spicy oak over a firm, coastal spine. The palate stays layered yet agile, finishing tea-leaf dry. Created in partnership with filmmaker Gordon Buchanan supporting the Mull & Iona Community Trust, it casts Ledaig's island character through a modern, philanthropic lens.

• **Ledaig — 9 Year (Bordeaux Red-Wine Cask, Cask Strength) — \$64 — 117.6 proof — #LDG9BOR**

Full-term maturation in Bordeaux red-wine barriques sets Ledaig's saline, oily spirit against dark berry, cassis and cocoa, the oak adding a gentle tannic frame; bottled at natural strength for a vivid, textural delivery. Silky island smoke threads grilled citrus and malt sweetness, finishing tea-leaf dry with mineral lift. As a small-batch wine-cask chapter from Tobermory's peated make, it refracts Mull's maritime peat through a refined claret lens—structure without heaviness.

The Hearach is produced at the Isle of Harris Distillery, a new facility built in 2015 by Anderson 'Burr' Bakewell. The intent behind this project was to resurrect traditional methods of whisky production while attempting to slow depopulation on the island. Ten residents of the Isle of Harris joined together to create the first whisky made on the island since 1840, yielding a lightly peated single malt that is bottled without chill filtering or color adjustment. The first release was 2023.

• **The Hearach — First-Fill Oloroso Cask Matured — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HRS-OLO**

Matured full-term in first-fill Oloroso sherry butts, then married prior to bottling; released non-chill-filtered and natural colour, with batches married for an extended period to knit the casks' voices. Raisined fruit, walnut and orange-peel dryness ride a supple island malt line with a thread of gentle, silky smoke. As a post-2015 chapter from Harris, it extends the island's first legal whisky into a duskier sherry register.

• **The Hearach — ex-Bourbon, Oloroso & Fino Cask Matured — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HRS-BOF**

A composition of spirit matured in ex-Bourbon barrels and Oloroso & Fino sherry butts, married in sizable batches for weeks before bottling non-chill-filtered and without colouring. Vanilla cream and citrus from Bourbon meet nutty, tea-leaf sherry tones, all threaded by light, aromatic island smoke. This is the seminal Harris release—the first legal whisky from the Isle of Harris—showing the house style in balanced, contemporary form.

SINGLE GRAIN

• **Caledonian 31 Year — Cadenhead's Single Cask — 1987 - 2018 — \$54 — 103.4 proof / 51.7% ABV — #CAL-31-1987-CA**

Matured entirely in a hogshead (likely ex-Bourbon) from the distillery's final vintage, this legacy whisky opens grain-forward and develops hints of malt, pecan pie, and coconut with some time in the glass.

• **Caledonian 31 Year — Signatory Cask Strength (Cask #18504) — 1987 - 2018 — \$49 — 100.4 proof / 50.2% ABV — #CAL-31-1987-SV-18504**

Aged in a refill hogshead (likely ex-Bourbon), this version of the 1987 Caledonian vintage presents with coconut flakes, flowers, and yellow cake over a nutty, caramel palate. The long finish is guided by wood, vanilla, and honey.

• **Caledonian 31 Year — Duncan Taylor 'Rare Auld Grain' (Cask #7823875) — 1987 - 2018 — \$92 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV — #CAL-31-DT-7823875**

A delicate, floral, and slightly citrusy aroma. A silky, sweet palate with candied apple undertones and an elegant finish with herbal notes of jasmine tea and manuka honey.

• **Cambus 23 Year — Signatory Cask Strength (Refill Sherry Butt) — 1991 - 2014 — \$78 — 108.2 proof / 54.1% ABV — #CAM-23-1991-SV-55889**

Bottled from a refill Sherry butt, aromas of mocha and espresso drive a palate rich with dark fruits and chocolate. A notable cereal quality rests in the spirit through the finish.

• **Cambus 26 Year — James Eadie Single Cask (Cask #48094) — 1993 - 2019 — \$69 — 110.8 proof / 55.4% ABV — #CAM-26-1993-JE-48094**

This single sherry butt was filled in the final year of the distillery's operation and yielded 610 bottles. Unsweetened chocolate, marzipan, walnut, and fruitcake rest on an oily, chili-flecked palate. The finish is quick and clean.

• **Cambus 26 Year — Duncan Taylor 'Rare Auld Grain' (Cask #1179891, btl. 131/285) — 1991 - 2018 — \$89 — 101.0 proof / 50.5% ABV — #CAMB-26-DT-1179891**

Honeyed cereal and orange oils meet gentle oaky aromas. A medium bodied palate maintains that delicate sweetness while layering complex, earthy, woody notes through the finish.

• **Cambus 28 Year — Single Cask Nation — 1988 - 2017 — \$112 — 85.2 proof 42.6% ABV — #CAMB-28-SCN-121GW**

Aged in an ex-bourbon barrel and finished with 6 months in a first-fill Muscatel sherry barrique. Honey and cereal grains inform gentle raisin and cocoa from the Muscatel touch; the finish mellow with a hint of peppery dryness.

• **Cambus 30 Year — Murray McDavid 'Mission Gold' (1st-Fill Cognac Finish) — 1990 - 2021 — \$127 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #CAMB-1990-MM-1909948/53/57**

Cambus stock aged in bourbon casks and finished in cognac casks, the aroma is a rounded sweetness that hints at both baking spices and white pepper. The palate is rich and full bodied with a warm spice that lets through notes of caramel, vanilla, and stonefruit. The finish projects cinnamon, oak, and grapes.

• **Cameronbridge 26 Year — Special Releases 2022 — \$158 — 112.4 proof / 56.2% ABV — #CB-26-SR22**

Matured exclusively in refill American-oak casks and bottled at cask strength. Quintessential grain sweetness—vanilla, caramel, with a hint of citrus—meets an oaky, warm, coffee undercurrent. The landing is long and dry.

• **Cameronbridge 21 Year — James Eadie (Single Cask #75792) — 1997 - 2018 — \$63 — 108.8 proof / 54.4% ABV — #CB-21-JE-75792**

A single refill ex-bourbon hogshead selected and bottled by James Eadie at natural strength, this spirit showcases the archetypical grain profile offered by Cameronbridge, as notes of Butter toffee and orange peel on the palate imbue a bold, dry, lingering finish.

• **Cameronbridge 28 Year — The ImpEx Collection (Cask #115125) — 1992 - 2020 — \$135 — 103.6 proof / 51.8% ABV — #CB-28-IMPEX-115125**

Fully matured in sherry butt(s) and limited to 425 bottles, the classically Cameronbridge sweet aromas belie a delightfully complex palate that expresses rich chocolate and baking spice notes. The finish continues with caramelized sugar and fleeting notes of ripe fruit.

• **Cameronbridge 26 Year — Special Releases 2022 — \$96 — 112.4 proof / 56.2% ABV — #CB-26-SR22**

Matured exclusively in refill American-oak casks and bottled at cask strength. Quintessential grain sweetness—vanilla, caramel, with a hint of citrus—meets an oaky, warm, coffee undercurrent. The landing is long and dry.

• **Cameronbridge 26 yrs — Diageo Special Releases 2022 ‘The Knight’s Golden Triumph’ — \$132 — 112.4 proof / 56.2% ABV — #SR-2022CB**

Matured in refill American oak and bottled at natural cask strength. The palate is velvety and bright—vanilla pod, baked apple and gentle spice—showing how age and humble wood can elevate grain whisky without finish. It marks Cameronbridge’s first appearance in Diageo’s Special Releases, spotlighting Lowland grain on a global stage.

• **Carsebridge 30 Year — ‘Artist #7’ (La Maison du Whisky) — 1982 - 2017 — \$235 — 101.6 proof / 50.8% ABV — #CAR-30-A7-74690c**

This spirit is sourced from a single hogshead, bottled by LMDS and, limited to 198 bottles. Vanilla, coconut and waxy orange ride a silky grain core with candied fruit and gentle spice. The finish shuffles in more vanilla accented by buttery sweetness.

• **Carsebridge 44 Year — ‘The Exclusive Malts’ — \$213 — 84.6 proof / 42.3% ABV — #CAR-44-CWC-60442**

Distilled in March, 1974 and bottled in 2018, this limited release of 278 bottles boast bold aromas of sweet corn and oak. The sweetness follows through the palate, with walnut, citrus peel and gentle cocoa framing the neat and dry finish.

• **Carsebridge 33 Year — Douglas Laing ‘Old Particular’ — 1982 - 2016 — \$196 — 89.8 proof / 44.9% ABV — #CAR-33-DL-11339**

This spirit was bottled from a single refill hogshead (likely bourbon) and limited to 253 bottles by long-established grain whiskey specialists Douglas Laing. The aroma imparts candied fruit with hints of holiday spices, and a rich, oily palate balances notes of dark fruit and oak before a warm, chocolatey finish.

• **Compass Box — ‘Hedonism’ (Blended Grain, American Oak) — \$63 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CB-HED**

A composition of mature **single grain whiskies** aged in American-oak barrels and then patiently married before bottling natural colour and non-chill-filtered. Vanilla cream, toffee and coconut follow directly from the cask regime, gliding on a supple, grain-silk texture. First released in 2000, Hedonism is the whisky that launched Compass Box and helped put blended grain on the modern map.

• **Dumbarton 20 Year — Single Cask Nation (Refill Bourbon Hogshead) — 2000 - 2021 — \$124 — 113.4 proof / 56.7% ABV — #DUM-20-SCN-2000**

Limited to 229 bottles, dessert tones of custard cream and pie crust dominate the aroma. True to form, caramel and brown sugar mingle with a rich oaky body before subsiding with a mellow finish suggesting vanilla and coconut.

• **Dumbarton 28 Year — SMWS G14.1 ‘East meets West’ — 1986 - 2014 — \$129 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV — #DUM-28-SMWS-G14.1**

Rich aromas of sweet corn and vanilla. The palate is indicative of its long-aged bourbon pedigree with woody, creamy sweetness underscored by a subtle bittersweet finish.

• **The Exceptional Grain — (Sutcliffe & Son — Blended Grain, First-Fill Sherry Finish) — \$43 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #EXG-SUT**

Built from North British, Strathclyde, Cameronbridge, Loch Lomond and a parcel of Carsebridge grain, the blend is finished in first-fill sherry casks to knit nutty richness with vanilla-led sweetness. Silky texture carries milk-chocolate, toasted cereal and orange-peel lift to a tidy, tea-leaf close. A transparency-minded series that treats mature grain as a canvas, not filler—thoughtful blending in a seldom-spotlit style.

• **Girvan 27 Year — The Exclusive Malts ‘10th Anniversary’ — 1988 - 2015 — \$85 — 106.8 proof / 53.4% ABV — #GIR-27-1988-EM-57871**

Fully matured in an ex-bourbon barrel, this long lived whisky plays soft and creamy with oatmeal and cinnamon on the nose and a palate of vanilla, caramel, toffee brittle, and toasted oak. The spirit finishes with coconut and soft oak spice.

• **Girvan Patent Still 25 Year ‘No.1 Apps’ — \$78 — 85.2 proof / 42.6% ABV — #GIR-1APPS-25**

Aged in American-oak casks, this long-matured single grain comes from Girvan’s original ‘No.1 Apps’ patent still. Vanilla tablet, citrus and honeyed cereal glide over a silky grain core, the finish sweet with undertones of cinnamon and summer fruit.

• **Girvan — 33 Year (Cadenhead’s, ex-Bourbon) — \$93 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GVN33-CAD**

Long maturation in ex-Bourbon barrels focuses crème brûlée, coconut and polished oak around Girvan’s easygoing grain sweetness; bottled at 46% for a natural, textural feel. The palate reads satin and measured, finishing tea-leaf dry with citrus lift. Issued by Cadenhead’s in their Original Collection, this venerable Lowland grain shows how time and bourbon wood can turn subtlety into length and quiet poise.

• **Invergordon 25 Year — ‘Berry’s Own Selection’ (Cask #8997) — 1988 - 2013 — \$93 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #INV-1988-BBR-8997**

Matured in a single ex-bourbon barrel by Berry Bros. & Rudd, this spirit balances a palate of toffee and vanilla with bold notes of spice and salinity that shape a complex and lingering finish.

• **Invergordon 25 Year — ‘The Sovereign’ (Hunter Laing), Cask #10699 — 1988 - 2014 — \$103 — 116.2 proof / 58.1% ABV — #INV-1988-SOV-10699**

Shortbread and stewed rhubarb fill the nose before a smooth, creamy palate gives notes of nutty oak and candied apple. A reserved sweetness accompanies a long finish with the faintest hint of hazelnut.

• **North of Scotland — ‘Pearls of Scotland’ (bottle 160/310) — 1971 - 2014 — \$144 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV — #NOS-1971-POS-160/310**

Bottled by Gordon & Co., this whisky spent 43 years maturing in a bourbon cask, earning a layered and delicate palate that balances a bright, rich, and slightly floral sweetness with notes of cereal grain on the finish.

• **Muckety-Muck 24 Year — Orphan Barrel (Port Dundas) — \$93 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #MM-24-OB-5668**

The youngest of the Port Dundas expressions released by Orphan Barrel, the aromas of vanilla and butterscotch give way to an intricate body that balances rich caramel with baking spiced and a lingering, warm finish.

• **Muckety-Muck 25 Year (Orphan Barrel) — bottle #13774 — \$97 — 91 proof / 45.5% ABV — #MM-25-13774**

American-oak-aged grain whisky stocks distilled at closed Port Dundas, aromas of brown sugar and caramel reflect a rich sweetness on the palate. Baked fruit and slight notes of toasted oak shape the finish.

• **Muckety-Muck 26 Year — Orphan Barrel (Port Dundas) — \$102 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #MM-26-OB**

The very last of the whiskies distilled at the Port Dundas Distillery, Orphan Barrel celebrated this storied distillery with a release at longer maturation with a slightly higher proof. This further intensifies the caramel sweet richness of the grain and adds even more oaky character to its long, woody finish.

• **North British 30 Year — Signatory ‘Cask Strength’ — 1991 - 2022 — \$126 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #NB-30-SV-262089 (bottle 144/503)**

Signatory matured this whisky in refill sherry butts for 30 years, informing a gingery, bramble-forward aroma. A measured richness dominates the palate, with background notes of cinnamon and spice that inform a long, meandering finish with hints of pepper and caramel.

• **North British 17 Year — Creetown Distillers (First-Fill Oloroso, Cask #818369) — \$54 — 106 proof / 53% ABV — #NB-17-CRE-818369 (bottle 163/226)**

Creetown Distillers began this North British stock in ex-bourbon barrels in 2006, maturing it for eleven and a half years before re-racking to a first-fill Oloroso octave for a further six years. A warm, inviting aroma of sweet wine and fresh baked pastries welcome a rounded palate that weaves between notes of dried fruits and chocolate with hints of spicy woodiness.

• **North British — 31 Year (Creetown, Cask-Strength Marriage) — \$79 — 80.6 proof / 40.3% ABV — #NB31-CRT**

A marriage of three long-matured barrels (casks 200310, 234077, 234099), anchored by spirit filled February 1991, then composed to bottle at a naturally low strength. Time in oak brings crème brûlée, vanilla wafer and polished grain, finishing airy and cedar-dry. As an indie release assembled just above the legal minimum, it preserves delicate grain character rather than chasing weight.

• **Girvan 25 Year — Distiller's Art (btl. 109/152) — 1990 - 2016 — \$207 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV — #GIR-25-DA-1990**

A limited, cask strength, single cask release from Distiller's Art. A citrusy, honey forward nose belies a full bodied, creamy, oaky palate that melts into lingering sweetness on the finish.

• **Port Dundas 36 yrs 1978–2014 XOP (Douglas Laing) — \$162 — 121.4 proof / 60.7% ABV — #PD-78XOP**

A sweet, bourbon-forward aroma gives way to a rich, leathery palate balanced with oaky, silky, herbal notes that blend together in a long, sweet, creamy finish.

• **Port Dundas 18 yrs Single Grain — \$48 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #8807618022**

The flagship bottle of the now defunct Port Dundas distillery, this single grain is expressive and powerful on the nose, with bright notes of honey and vanilla underscored by contrasting notes of ginger and oak. Buttery toffee and tropical fruits emerge on the palate before a brief, warm finish.

• **Strathclyde 26 Year — 'The Exclusive Malts' — 1988 - 2015 — \$67 — 110.2 proof / 55.1% ABV — #STR-1988-EM-62106**

An aroma dominated by woody notes of oak and pine before a richly layered body. The palate flows in waves between sweet notes of vanilla and apricot that are cut with a peppery spice that follows through a dry finish.

• **Strathclyde 28 Year — Duncan Taylor 'Rare Auld Grain' — 1990 - 2018 — \$93 — 102.4 proof / 51.2% ABV — #STR-1990-DT-642756 (048/113)**

A distinct citrus note permeates the nose with both a sweetness and an herbal note in the background. A similarly complex palate reflects ripe fruit and butterscotch against a persistent spice that follows a warm glowing finish.

• **Strathclyde 23 Year — Battlehill — \$76 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #841119013181**

A sweet, woody aroma informs notes of caramel wafer, lemon oil and vanilla for a supple palate, finishing dry with a lingering warmth.

BLENDED

• **Campbeltown Loch — Blended Malt (All Five Campbeltown Malts) — \$28 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CPLK**

Built from **all five Campbeltown single malts**—Springbank, Longrow, Hazelburn, Kilkerran and Glen Scotia—matured across ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned parcels, then patiently married for balance. Coastal malt sweetness meets gentle peat and nut-spice, finishing mineral and cedar-dry. Revived under Springbank's stewardship, it distills Campbeltown's whole dialect into one glass—textural, briny and quietly old-school.

• **Chivas Regal — 21 Year 'Royal Salute' — \$79 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CR21RS**

Matured stocks of long-aged malt and grain from Chivas Brothers' Speyside-led reserves are married, the sherry-seasoned European oak adding nutty depth over American-oak vanilla and satin texture. Dried fruits and almond toffee glide into a cedar-dry close. Launched for the 1953 coronation, Royal Salute set the modern luxury-blend template—age as structure and poise rather than weight.

• **Chivas Regal — 25 Year 'Original Legend' — \$95 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CR25OL**

A Speyside-forward composition of mature malts and grain is harmonized after long rests in American oak with a shaping sherry contingent, yielding cocoa, orange oils and polished oak on a velvety line. Sweetness stays trimmed by tea-leaf dryness. Reviving Chivas's pre-Prohibition prestige era, this 25 reframes historic richness in a contemporary, measured register.

• **Chivas Regal — 25 Year 'Royal Salute' — \$97 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CR25RS**

Selected parcels of well-aged malt and grain—Speyside at the core—are married and rested to deepen complexity, layering fig, apricot and sandalwood over a composed blend body. The finish is long, quiet, and spice-laced. As an elevated Royal Salute chapter, it carries the coronation-born house style into a more contemplative, late-evening tone.

• **Royal Salute 21 Year — 'The Polo Estancia Edition' — \$53 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #RS-21-POLO**

Argentinian Malbec wine casks bring berry dark richness that informs an aroma of plum jam and gentle smoke. Expect velvety fruit, cocoa and a cinnamon note for a bold palate, with a long finish echoing mellow spice.

• **Compass Box — 'The Story of the Spaniard' (Sherry & Spanish Red-Wine Casks) — \$32 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CBSPN**

A malt-whisky blend composed of parcels aged full-term in sherry butts and Spanish red-wine casks, married and rested to knit richness with brightness. Andalusian casks lend raisined fruit, almond toffee and sweet spice over a supple, orchard-led core. As a modern sherry-forward Compass Box, it explores Iberian oak influence with transparency and poise.

• **Compass Box — '3 Year Old Deluxe' — \$153 — 98 proof / 49% ABV — #CB-3YOD**

Perhaps Compass Box's cheekiest release. The palate is smooth and waxy with notes of ripe orchard fruit before peated coastal salinity ushers in a faint note of citrus zest and soft smoke on the finish.

• **Compass Box — ‘Affinity’ (Scotch + Calvados) — 2019 — \$84 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-AFF-0423**

A unique spirit that balances regional icons’ best qualities.. Bright orchard fruit and vanilla ice cream interplay with malt richness and gentle spice, the finish neat with dry, rich sweetness.

• **Compass Box — ‘Art & Decadence’ — 2023 Limited Edition — \$153 — 98 proof / 49% ABV — #CB-A&D-2023**

The aroma is waxy with overtones of tropical fruit hiding a faint sherry note. The palate is sweet and bright, with dried fruit and chocolate counteracting gentle heat and oaky notes through a long, warm finish.

• **Compass Box — Asyla — \$68 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CB-ASY**

Honey and floral notes in the aroma reflect the well balanced palate that emphasizes its upbringing with a well-oaked texture that pairs with its rich honey quality.

• **Compass Box — ‘Experimental Grain Whisky’ — \$73 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-EGW**

A curious blend, the grain quality shines through in its bright, fruity aroma that besets a buttery rich note. The palate holds an element of peat smoke that plays against a rich sweetness before a long, dry finish.

• **Compass Box ‘Extravaganza’ (Spice Tree 10th-Anniversary) — 2016 — \$75 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-STE-2016**

A delicate aroma of spiced apple and tobacco leaves indicate a bold palate that exudes forest honey and apricot amidst its oily, oaky texture. A gentle peppery note warms through the finish.

• **Compass Box — Flaming Heart — 15th Anniversary (bottled July 2015) — \$48 — 97.8 proof / 48.9% ABV — #CB-FH-2015**

A limited, NAS release that celebrates the trailblazing marriage of peated malts and new french oak, a balanced nose juggles gentle notes of ginger and vanilla with soft, earthy peat. An oily palate suggests stewed fruit with waxy, tropical undertones that subside to earthy, vegetal peat smoke in a long, complex finish.

• **Compass Box — Flaming Heart — 2018 Edition (6th) — \$53 — 97.8 proof / 48.9% ABV — #CB-FH-2018**

A different blend of peated whiskies in the same line of french-oak-matured releases, the aroma is bold and full, with peat smoke anchoring a rich palate of baking spices and sweet, fruity maltiness. The finish lingers with smoky, umami notes.

• **Compass Box — Hedonism ‘Quindecimus’ — 15th Anniversary — \$91 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-HQ-2015**

A limited edition reworking of the flagship release. A loud and oaky nose with subtler notes of melon and coconut, the palate is sweet and creamy with a nutty, woody profile that ushers in an earthy, buttery finish.

• **Compass Box — ‘Menagerie’ — Limited Edition (Jan 2021) — \$75 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-MEN-2021**

Aromas of caramel and ripe orchard fruit escort understated tones of musky peat. The palate is waxy and dry, with fruit-forward flavors once again dominating over a subtle, savory smoke and a soft, leathery finish.

• **Compass Box — ‘Metropolis’ — 2023 Limited Edition — \$53 — 98 proof / 49% ABV — #CB-MET-2023**

A tribute to the tradition of Edinburgher and Glaswegian whisky blending, the nose imparts dried fruit and honey with hints of cinnamon and polished leather that foretell a well rounded palate. Rotating between dry, ripe apple notes and softer tropical fruit give way to grassy citrus notes and a savory, bittersweet, floral finish.

• **Compass Box — ‘Oak Cross’ — \$87 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #CB-OAKX**

An aroma of gently toasted oak and cloves interplay with brighter, floral notes of citrus peel and ginger. The palate is creamy and spicy malty, with caramelized notes of butterscotch and dried fruit hinting at a measured finish that suggests vanilla and coffee.

• **Compass Box — ‘The Peat Monster’ — \$49 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-PM**

An Islay-forward aroma expectedly bombards the nose with unmistakable peat. The palate conveys a richly full bodied character that balances its oily texture and peated smoke with delicate undertones of bright citrus and fruit with a savory note on the finish.

• **Compass Box — ‘The Peat Monster’ — 10th Anniversary (2013) — \$63 — 97.8 proof / 48.9% ABV — #CB-PM10**

A special edition reworking that introduces well aged Brora stock, The peaty, lemony nose remains, but the palate’s oily texture adopts a medicinal note in addition to its citric brightness. The finish is measured and spicy, with a hint of peated salinity.

• **Compass Box — Phenomenology — 2017 Limited Edition — \$75 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-PHN-2017**

Bottled in 2017 with 7,908 bottles, it framed Compass Box’s philosophy: transparency when it matters, mystery when it helps you focus on flavour. Berries and baking spices on the nose precede a smooth, mineral-forward palate with ashy notes of vanilla and lemon zest. A peppered, earthy note overscores a dry finish.

• **Compass Box — The Spice Tree — \$39 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-ST**

Mulled wine and brown sugar ruminate among an intriguing aroma that reflects rich honey and spiced oak on the palate, and a gentle, lingering warmth in the finish.

• **Compass Box — Spice Tree Extravaganza — 2016 10th-Anniversary — \$47 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-STE-2016**

Built on the Spice Tree Highland-malt core further matured ~4½ years in hybrid American/French oak, then layered with sherry-matured parcels (Glen Ord, Benrinnes, Allt-a-Bhainne); natural colour, not chill-filtered. Richer dried fruit and pastry spice widen the waxy malt line while the finish stays neat and dry. A celebratory chapter that rendered Spice Tree’s oak program in high relief.

• **Compass Box — The General — \$32 — 106 proof / 53% ABV — #CB-GEN**

A truly one of a kind blend, this whisky tells you its age with flavors of heather honey and tobacco that bleed from the palate through the aroma. These are accented by a delicate body that balances rancio notes and faint peat with bittersweet cherry among a distinct sherry character, following through a lasting, juicy finish,

• **Compass Box — The Lost Blend — 2014 Limited Edition — \$37 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-LB-2014**

A heartfelt revival of the brand’s first blend, this 19 year old whisky hides its Islay-heavy

consistency behind notes of citrus and marzipan with undertones of smoke sneaking through. Peat smoke is more prominent on the palate, though it washes away with notes of cinnamon sugar and vanilla leading the long, spicy finish with a measured richness.

• **Compass Box ‘Magic Cask’ — 2020 Limited Edition — \$57 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CB-MAG-2020**

The young stock that accents this mostly 24-year blend presents with a punchy aroma that settles into tropical fruit with a waxy texture on the palate that rotates floral, rich, tropical notes with sharper, peppery tones and a delicate, dry finish.

• **Compass Box — Vellichor — 2022 Limited Edition — \$153 — 89.2 proof / 44.6% ABV — #CB-VEL-2022**

Specially blended with texture and aroma in mind. Polished leather and pipe tobacco share the limelight with dried fruit and rich, unprocessed honey on the nose. The palate harmoniously blends malt sweetness with gentle smoke and spiced oak rolling around a velvety smooth, oily body.

• **Copper Dog — Speyside Blended Malt — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #CPRDG**

A blend of Speyside single malts matured mainly in ex-Bourbon (first-fill and refill), then married for an easy, fruit-first profile. Lemon peel, honeyed cereal and vanilla wafer glide over a clean, mid-weight palate with a tidy, tea-leaf finish. Created for the Craigellachie Hotel, it channels Speyside’s bar-side hospitality—approachable, characterful, and built for conversation.

• **Dewar’s — 21 Year ‘Double Double’ (Mizunara Cask Finish) — \$57 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #DWR21DDMZ**

Built around Aberfeldy as the heart malt, Dewar’s four-stage Double Double regimen (malts and grains aged separately, blended by style, re-married, then finished in Mizunara oak) prioritizes harmony over heft. The Japanese oak adds sandalwood and incense to honeyed cereal and citrus on a plush glide. Under Stephanie Macleod, it’s a modern East-meets-Scotland statement.

• **Dewar’s — 18 Year ‘The Vintage’ — \$37 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DWR18VTG**

With Aberfeldy at the core, mature malts and grains from American oak and sherry-seasoned casks are double-aged—returned to oak to knit texture—so vanilla cream, orange oils and cocoa move with velvet ease. A tidy, cedar-dry close keeps balance. As Dewar’s heritage age statement, it renders the house philosophy in full: integration first, weight second.

• **Dewar’s — ‘Japanese Smooth’ (Mizunara Cask Finish, 8 Year) — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #DWRJS8**

Anchored by Aberfeldy malt, the blend sees classic maturation before a Mizunara oak finish that threads sandalwood and gentle spice through honeyed grain and citrus. The palate remains bright and silky, closing tea-leaf dry. A contemporary branch of the ‘Smooth’ series, it widens Dewar’s easy elegance with a distinctly aromatic accent.

• **Douglas Laing — ‘The Gauldrons’ (Campbeltown Blended Malt) — \$26 — 92.4 proof / 46.2% ABV — #DLGAUL**

Small-batch Campbeltown malts matured in ex-Bourbon with select sherry-seasoned casks, non-chill-filtered and married for texture. Briny sweetness, malt biscuit and peppered ash move into a firm, mineral finish. As Douglas Laing’s Campbeltown chapter, it bottles the region’s maritime grit and quiet elegance—smoke as perfume, oak as structure.

• **Dumbarton Rock — Blended Malt (Non-Chill-Filtered) — \$24 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #DBR-MALT**

A marriage of multi-region single malts matured chiefly in American-oak ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned parcels for contour, then bottled non-chill-filtered to keep texture. Vanilla biscuit, apple peel and honeyed cereal meet a dry, tea-leaf finish. Framed as an everyday blended malt with craft sensibility, it favors clarity and grain-led charm over oak weight—Glasgow's blending tradition rendered in a clean, modern line.

• **The Exceptional Malt — (Sutcliffe & Son) — \$49 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #EXM-SUT**

Select single malts—ex-Bourbon matured with a shaping contingent from sherry-seasoned casks—are married and rested to knit brightness and depth; final composition bottled for a natural, mid-weight glide. Citrus oils, barley sugar and almond toffee move into a tidy, cedar-dry close. Conceived as a transparency-minded house blend, it reads like a malt flight in miniature—balanced, articulate, and quietly polished.

• **The Famous Grouse — (Seasoned Oak Casks) — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #TFG**

Key malts include Highland Park and The Glenrothes, married with fine grain and seasoned oak influence for soft toffee, toasted cereal and orange zest over a poised mid-weight palate. The finish is neat and lightly dry. A bar-room classic, Grouse favors reliability and balance—versatile without blunting character.

• **Grand Old Parr — 12 Year — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #GOP12**

Crafted with a Cragganmore-led Speyside malt core and supportive grain, long time in American-oak ex-Bourbon with sherry-seasoned elements builds creamy vanilla, baked apple and nut-spice over a calm texture. Tea-leaf dryness tidies the close. A historic export favorite, it's gently old-school—poise and subtle sweetness with an easy welcome.

• **Johnnie Walker — 'High Rye' — \$29 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #JWHR**

Composed with a 60% rye grain backbone aged in American oak, then joined by single malts central to the Black Label profile; the rye adds pepper and mint-tinged lift to JW's citrus-malt core. Texture is lively yet polished. As a modern branch of the house, it nods to American spice while staying unmistakably Scotch.

• **Johnnie Walker — 'Black Label' 12 Year — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JWBL12**

Built around Cardhu as the heartbeat malt, then layered with other regions and matured 12 years across ex-Bourbon and sherry-seasoned casks before careful marrying and rest. Silky smoke, orange oils and malt biscuit ride a poised, medium body. The definitive JW age statement, Black remains the reference for balance and reach.

• **Johnnie Walker — 'Blue Label' — \$93 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JWBLUE**

Selected from rare, slow-maturing casks across Diageo's malt and grain reserves—often including parcels from long-closed 'ghost' distilleries—and married for seamless depth. Dark citrus, polished oak and incense-like smoke move in velvet layers. Positioned as the house pinnacle, Blue carries the JW signature into a deeper, more reflective register.

• **Johnnie Walker — 'Blue Label Ice Chalet' — \$127 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #JWBLUEIC**

The Blue Label blend presented at a higher bottling strength, its rare, long-matured components yielding darker citrus, cocoa and cedar around a silkier, more resonant finish. Smoke reads aromatic rather than heavy, carrying length without bulk. As a seasonal collector's chapter, Ice Chalet reframes Blue's luxury signature with added presence in the glass.

• **Johnnie Walker Double Black — \$29 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JW-DB**

Johnnie Walker's peat-forward expression, the aroma maintains the brand's trademark fruity sweetness with a mild intrusion of peat smoke. The palate is light and smoky with vanilla toffee leading to a long, sweet finish with an undertone of peated oak.

• **Johnnie Walker Gold Label — 18 Years — \$34 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JW-GL-18**

A rich, toffee-sweet nose indicates the buttery palate that complements a light, oily texture with rich caramel notes and a faint suggestion of grassy peat smoke. The finish emphasizes those sleighter notes of peated oak.

• **Johnnie Walker Green Label (Blended Malt) — 15 Years — \$27 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #JW-GL-15**

Composed entirely of single malts aged at least 15 years (no grain whisky), blended for a verdant balance of malt richness, subtle smoke and polished oak; bottled at 43%. Texture stays satin, the close tea-leaf dry. As the 'malt-only' entry in the JW line, Green restores a classic style to the core range.

• **Johnnie Walker Blue Label — New York City Limited-Edition Design (2019) — \$127 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #JW-BL-NY-2019**

Blended from whiskies aged between 18 and 60 years, a light aroma of marmalade and polished leather reign over a reserved note of smoke. The palate is light and deliciously rounded with notes of caramel and salinity underscoring a distinct peat smoke profile. The finish is unctuous with delicate fruit notes shuffling past nutty dark chocolate and a faint pepperiness.

• **Monkey Shoulder — 'Batch 27' (Blended Malt) — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MS-B27**

Built from Speyside single malts from William Grant & Sons, matured in ex-Bourbon then married in large tuns for consistency—'Batch 27' nods to the original vatting concept. Vanilla fudge, citrus peel and malt biscuit ride a supple, easy texture, finishing clean and lightly dry. As the modern bar's go-to blended malt, it shows Speyside fruit in friendly focus—mixable, sippable, unmistakably malt.

• **Murray McDavid 'Cult of Islay' — 32 Year — 1988 - 2021, Batch 3 — \$227 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #MMD-COI-1988-B3**

A bright, fruity aroma dominates the nose with subtler notes of smoke and licorice sneaking through. The palate is intensely complex with notes of sweet cream and violets contrasting with peppery ginger and spiced oak. The finish is long with the juxtaposition continuing through tropical fruit notes contrasted with lavender and delicate peat smoke.

• **Murray McDavid 'Malts of Islay' — 34 Year — 1989 - 2023 — Mission Gold — \$227 — 82.2 proof / 41.1% ABV — #MMD-MOI-34-1989**

The nose is sea air and salinity at the top with green apples and white pepper battling gentle peat smoke in the background. The palate rich and silky with salted nuts and spiced chocolate giving way to orchard fruit before a long, warm, salted caramel finish.

• **Naked Malt — (Macallan, Highland Park, Glenturret & Glenrothes; First-Fill Oloroso Finish) — \$27 — 86 proof / 40% ABV — #NKD**

Composed of single malts from The Macallan, Highland Park, Glenturret and Glenrothes, matured in American and European oak then extra-matured at least six months in first-fill Oloroso sherry butts. Sherry wood lends raisined fruit and cocoa over a smooth malt core, finishing neat and tea-leaf dry. Born as 'Naked Grouse' and reintroduced as Naked Malt, it carries Edrington's house malts into a modern, sherry-led blended-malt idiom.

• **Redacted Bros — SRV5 (8 Year, Peated) — \$25 — 97 proof / 48.5% ABV — #RB-SRV5-8**
An 8-year blended malt from undisclosed distilleries, matured primarily in refill ex-Bourbon with select seasoned casks to shape the edges; bottled at a confident natural strength for drive. Aromatic kiln-smoke threads lemon wafer, briny sweetness and malt toffee, the finish firm and tea-leaf dry. As a small-batch indie vatting, SRV5 frames youthful peat as precision rather than punch—energetic, saline, and neatly structured.

• **Sheep Dip — 1999 ‘Amoroso Oloroso’ — 12 Years — \$68 — 83.6 proof / 41.8% ABV — #SD-1999-AMO**

This spirit spends 3 years in ex-Bourbon hogsheads in Scotland before being transferred to Oloroso butts at Sánchez Romate in Jerez, Spain for 9 years. Bottled in March 2012, this single-malt showcases the effect of extensive Sherry influence with jammy red fruits, vanilla and milk-chocolate wrapping around peat notes of smoke and citrus peel. This rule bending example of maturation stands out as a curious, flavorful outlier in whisky.

• **Speymhor — 38 Year Blended Malt — \$153 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #SPM-38-1978**

This uniquely uber-aged blend offers a unique rancio quality on the nose balancing polished leather with dried fruits and spiced almond butter. The palate conveys roasted malt and candied fruit with a meandering, woody finish.

• **Wemyss Malts — ‘Kiln Embers’ (Limited Edition, Non-Chill-Filtered, Blended Malt) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #WMKE**

A peated blended malt built with double the smoky Islay component compared to Wemyss’s Peat Chimney and bottled non-chill-filtered at natural texture; the release totaled 12,000 bottles. Sweet, ember-like smoke folds into salted citrus and oat-malt biscuit with a dry, heathery close. Issued as a one-off small batch, it spotlights Wemyss’s flavour-led blending philosophy through a distinctly peat-forward lens.

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• **1792 — ‘Small Batch’ (Ridgemont Reserve) — \$23 — 93.7 proof / 46.85 ABV**

Fruit driven with a profile that leans into baked bread and confection, you will find immediate aromas of red and black cherry, maple syrup, nutmeg, and pastry dough. Some fig and peppercorn on the palate emphasizes the butterscotch earned from American oak.

• **1792 Small Batch Ridgemont Reserve Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey (Brandy Library barrel pick Spring 2011) — \$35 — 93.7 proof / 46.85 ABV**

• **1792 8 year Small Batch Ridgemont Reserve Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$25 — 93.7 proof / 46.85 ABV**

• **1792 Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Bottled in Bond — \$27— 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **1792 Full Proof Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$35 — 125 proof / 62.5% ABV**

• **1792 High Rye Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$35 — 94.3 proof / 47.15% ABV**

• **2XO ‘Two Times Oak’— ‘The Tribute Blend’ — \$35 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

For this bottling, low-rye and high-rye straight Bourbons are blended with a high-rye straight Bourbon re-barreled into a #3 char new American oak barrel and a high-rye straight Bourbon aged in a #4 char new American oak barrel. Baking spice, vanilla, and on-the-way caramel lead to orange zest, a touch of stone fruit, and clove on the long, well balanced finish.

• **2XO ‘Two Times Oak’— ‘American Oak’ — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A chain of charred American white oak is placed inside of the 2XO Bourbon barrels to induce a ‘secondary’ maturation with increased oak contact. The nose begins the experience with vanilla, cinnamon, chocolate, and mild notes of almond and marshmallow sweetness. The palate leans into baking spice and almond with a smooth tannic indication flowing into a moderate finish.

• **A. Smith Bowman — ‘Bowman Brothers’ (Small Batch, Virginia Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

‘High Wine,’ the second run distillate yielding a 130-160 proof spirit, is purchased from Buffalo Trace and re-distilled at the Bowman Distillery before maturation. Baked apple, vanilla, apricot, and very moderate baking spice aromas lead to a silky, sweet palate with high toned notes of cherry, canned peach, and toffee.

• **Angel’s Envy — Caribbean Rum Casks Finished Rye — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

After initial maturation for 6-7 years in new American oak, this rye is finished for up to 18 months in Caribbean Rum casks. The finishing places brown sugar and citrus notes up front as the influence of American Oak follows. Vanilla and butterscotch on the back of the nose lead to a fruity palate with the rye spice playing a supporting role.

• **Angel’s Envy — ‘Port Wine Barrel Finish’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

Traditional aging for up to 6 years is followed by 3-6 months of finishing in French Oak ex-Ruby Port casks. A spectrum of raisined fruit and roasted nuts is preceded by vanilla and maple on a sweet nose. The palate brings dates, cranberries, and blackberries over a sweet maple texture before finishing long and smooth.

• **Angel’s Envy — ‘Triple Oak’ (Hungarian, Chinquapin & French Oak Finish) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A selection of 4-9 year old Bourbon is finished in Hungarian, Chinquapin and French oak barrels. The American Oak pokes through with vanilla a prominent aroma leading into bakery kitchen, salted caramel, cherry, and nutmeg behind it. A soft but slightly textured palate offers molasses, cardamom, sweet red fruits, and coffee before a long sweet finish.

• **Angel’s Envy — 2024 Cask Strength ‘Port Wine Barrel Finish’ — \$87 — 118.8 proof / 59.4% ABV**

This special release of the ‘Port Wine Finish’ bottling offers louder, clearer, and deeper aromas than its diluted counterpart. The aroma shows prominent red cherry and dark fruits with the sweeter vanilla, caramel, and maple notes leading into a warming, fruity palate. Baking spices emerge on the mid-palate and lead to a long, deep finish.

• **Angel's Envy — Cellar Collection Vol. 5 (French Oak Añejo Tequila Cask Finish) — \$85 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV**

A complex and unique bottling that begins with a 7 year old Rye aged in new American Oak and finished in a French oak, ex-Añejo Tequila cask from Patron before blending with an 11 year old Rye for completion. White pepper and floral notes from the rye are uniquely emphasized by the agave contacted barrel. Citrus and capsaicin alongside vegetal notes join with vanilla and brown sugar on the palate with touches of strawberry and tangerine.

• **Angel's Envy Private Selection New York Kentucky Straight Bourbon Finished in Port Wine Barrels — \$125 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Augusta — 'Old Route 8' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon, Single Barrel) — \$41 — 120.2 proof / 60.1% ABV**

This classically built and structured Bourbon begins with toasted oak, brown sugar, vanilla, and sweet baking spices. A dry-adjacent palate opens into cherries and black tea framing milk chocolate, caramel, and hints of tangerine and ruby red grapefruit zest. A rye-influenced leather, cracked pepper, and nasturtium quality pushes the long, warming finish as butterscotch concludes the taste.

• **Augusta — 'Buckner's' 10 Year (Single Barrel) — \$56 — 117.2 proof / 58.6% ABV**

Caramel first, then dark cherries and peppery spice arrive on the nose at first smell. The richer oak notes begin developing before entering a full bodied palate of chocolate, toffee, spring pollen, and returning black cherries. The rye begins to develop on the mid palate and the finish as hints of pepper develop into leather and spiced cream before a return to sweeter fruit notes.

• **Augusta — 'Buckner's' 15 Year (Single Barrel) — \$109 — 114.1 proof / 57.05% ABV**

The effect of maturation is immediately obvious as burnt caramel, brown sugar, praline, and cinnamon frame the clear aromas of plum and dried cherry. A dense palate emphasizes oak texture with caramel candy, baking spice, and chocolate taking prominent roles. Kola nut, espresso bean, and cinnamon round out a long, very warm finish.

• **Augusta Single Barrel Wheated Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey barrel no 26-52/212 — \$31 — 108.8 proof / 54.4% ABV**

• **Augusta Buckner's single barrel 13 year Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$83 — 139 proof / 69.5% ABV**

• **Baker's — 7 Year (Small Batch, Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$24 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

The blackberry, dark chery, and brown sugar of this corn-forward Bourbon are balanced by pecan and Cracker Jack aromas. Nuttiness continues onto the palate with caramel and rich chocolate. Touches of coriander and nutmeg with hints of marshmallow sweetness lead to a sweet finish that hugs from within.

• **Baker's — 7 Year 'High Rye' (Limited Release, Single Barrel) — \$31 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

This variation of the 7 Year Bourbon increases the rye content in the mash bill from 13% to 27%. In this spirit, the rye plays into its fruity profile with citrus and peach becoming pronounced aromas. Typical caramel and brown sugar are still to be found with plum, black cherry, pastry dough, and toast providing complexity.

• **Bakers Limited Edition 13 Year Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$41 — 107 Proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Balcones — Texas Pot Still Bourbon — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

This bourbon shows grain forward with your favorite childhood cereals (Cocoa Krispies, Raisin Bran, and Honey Smacks) carrying nostalgic liquorice and creme brulee notes. The palate shows a hint of praline, but fresh cedar and chocolate steal the show. It finishes moderate and simple with a clean exit.

• **Balcones — ‘Texas Rye’ (100% Rye) — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

A 100% rye mash where the base material’s spice is well integrated into the spirit’s proof. Black pepper, dill, pine, and vanilla on the nose give way to a palate where peppermint, dark chocolate, tarragon, and clove accentuate the light, savory body. Touches of mint and woody smoke complete the mid-length finish.

• **Balcones — ‘True Blue’ (Straight Corn Whisky) — \$24 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

This whiskey made entirely from Texas Blue Corn is no longer in production following the distillery’s sale to Diageo. The unique base material carries citrus and summertime trees to a spirit rich with butterscotch, vanilla, and white cake. Chocolate, black tea, smoke, and leather appear on the palate while the finish resolves with baking spices and bittersweet chocolate.

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. — ‘Collaborative Series’ (Cherrywood & Oak Finished Rye) — \$53 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

For this collaboration with the West Virginia Great Barrel Company, Bardstown used stocks of 6 year old rye blended with a Canadian corn whiskey to finish in a cask built with infrared toasted Cherrywood and American White Oak staves for up to 6 months. Potpourri, allspice, blossoming garden, and cherry compote carry an herbal palate that drinks smooth and clean. Despite the proof, a very easy drink.

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. — ‘Discovery Series #7’ (Blend of 7, 12 & 17 Year Whiskeys) — \$48 — 114.5 proof / 72.5% ABV**

This edition of the ‘Discovery Series’ blends Bardstown’s 7 year old Bourbon with a 12 year old Canadian corn whiskey and a 17 year old Tennessee whiskey. The result brings complex notes to both the nose and palate: fresh apple, germanium, caramel, tangerine, and dark chocolate shine brightest, though dark cherry, vanilla, and tobacco appear after time.

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. — ‘Origin Series’ (6 Years, Fall 2018 distillation) — \$35 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Expect high toned fruit notes from this high wheat (39%) Bourbon. Red apples and red cherries open into peaches and orange blossoms. Mint, caramel, and nutmeg emerge with air. The wheat is especially felt on the palate where healthy early brunch notes of fresh bread, berries, and citrus pair with honey and caramel. Silky and long on the palate and the finish where you will detect Cinnamon Toast Crunch.

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. The Discovery Series Blend Of Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$35 — 104.7 Proof / 52.35% ABV**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. Collaborative Series Straight Bourbon Whiskey Finished in Plantation Rum Barrels — \$35 — 104 Proof / 52% ABV**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. Origin Series Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Bottled in Bond — \$35 — 100 Proof / 50% ABV**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. ‘Chateau De Laubade’ Blended straight Bourbon Whiskey Finished In Armagnac Casks — \$59 — 107 Proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. ‘Ferrand’ Kentucky Straight Whiskey Finished in Cognac Barrels — \$35 — 110 Proof**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. ‘Founders Brewing’ Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Finished In Founders KBS Stout Barrels — \$35 — 110 Proof / 55% ABV**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. ‘The Prisoner’ Straight Bourbon Bourbon Whiskey Finished in The Prisoner French Oak Red Wine Barrels — \$53 — 100 Proof / 55% ABV**

• **Bardstown Bourbon Co. ‘West Virginia Great Barrel Company’ Blended Rye Whiskey Finished In Infrared Toasted Cherry Oak Barrels — \$35 — 110 Proof / 55%**

• **Barrell — ‘Seagrass’ (Rye; Martinique Rum, Madeira & Apricot Brandy Finishes) — \$33 — 120.3 proof / 60.15 ABV**

The extensive finishing process on this blend of American and Canadian Rye adds exceptional fruit complexity and tension. Aromas of pear, lychee, strawberry, cinnamon, and sweet apricot entice into the first sips. The palate shows sweet and smooth with jammy red berries, cherries, and stone fruit before rye pepper and floral notes prime the finish. A sweet, long finish eases into black pepper and mint.

• **Barrell — ‘Vantage’ (Bourbon; Virgin-Oak Finishes: US, French & Mizunara) — \$31 — 113.5 proof / 56.75% ABV**

Bourbons sourced from Kentucky, Tennessee, and Indiana are individually finished in virgin French, Mizunara, and toasted American White Oak before blending and bottling. Incense, coriander, chocolate, nutmeg, and fruity pineapple and lime maximize the profile of the blend. The palate builds with apple, Dutch process cocoa, and peanut leading to a pistachio cream finish. Don’t expect typical Bourbon vanilla!

• **Barrell — Cask Finish Series (Mizunara-Finished Bourbon) — \$38 — 116.42 proof / 58.21% ABV**

This blend of 6-14 year Bourbons is matured for 18 months in Mizunara to maximize the extraction of the wood’s exotic oils and flavors. Dried stone fruit and raisins lead to shortbread and caramel on the nose. The palate presents the Mizunara notes as sandalwood and white smoke highlight the uniquely red fruited body. Without dilution, the whiskey is long and warm with ginger, incense, and caramel easing out.

Barrel 25 Year Cask Strength American Whiskey Proof — \$98 — 111.2 proof / 55.6% ABV

Barrel 15 Year Cask Strength American Whiskey Proof — \$42 — 100.4 proof / 50.2% ABV

• **Basil Hayden’s — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

Caramel and orange oil, ripe peach, and mixed berries start the experience as touches of grass and pepper start to develop. Clove on the palate freshens a profile of toffee, honey, and caramel. The finish is tea leaf dry but surprisingly lingers with orange blossom and cherry.

• **Basil Hayden's — 'Toast' (Toasted-Barrel Finish) — \$25 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #BH-TST**

The rye in this Bourbon's mash bill is replaced with brown rice which, after initial aging in #4 char barrels, is re-racked into freshly toasted and flash charred American oak barrels. Sweeter than the typical Basil Hayden's, expect less peppery and floral notes while carrot cake, cherry candy, and butterscotch become complementary to traditional Bourbon flavors.

Basil Hayden 'Dark Rye' Kentucky Straight Rye Blended With Canadian Rye And Port Wine — \$25 — 80 Proof / 40% ABV

Basil Hayden 'Red Wine Cask Finished' Kentucky Straight Bourbon Partially Finished in Wine Cask — \$31 — 80 proof / 40% ABV

• **Basil Hayden's — 'Artfully Aged' 10 Year — \$33 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #BH-10**

The rye spice is slightly hidden in this aged whiskey in favor of promoting the sweeter elements of aged Bourbon. Vanilla and pale caramel lead into toffee and cinnamon while the rye offers hints of citrus and golden raisin. The palate is smooth and effortless as chocolate and hints of white pepper rest alongside dried maraschino cherry.

• **Bernheim — 7 Year (Kentucky Straight Wheat Whiskey) — \$23 — 90 proof / 40% ABV — #BERN7**

The wheat in this whiskey becomes apparent early with freshly baked bread, apple, and honey presenting tidily with oaky vanilla. Honeyed grain shows itself on the palate's attack as fresh red berries, allspice, and toffee build on a medium bodied, viscous palate. The finish, moderate and warm, leaves an impression of fruit, honey, and sweet grain.

Bernheim Original Small Batch Kentucky Straight Wheat Whiskey — \$23 — 90 Proof / 45% ABV

Bernheim Librarian's Craft (Brandy Library Barrel Pick) Small Batch Kentucky Straight Wheat Whiskey — \$43 — 90 Proof / 45% ABV

Bernheim 20th Anniversary 10 Year Kentucky Straight Wheat Whiskey — \$32 — 115 Proof / 57.5% ABV

Big Spring Spirits 8 Year Rye Whiskey Batch no. 2023-116 — 89.2 proof / 44.6% ABV — \$23

• **Black Dirt — 4 Year (New York Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BD-NY4**

This youthful bourbon is surprisingly mature for a whiskey of its age. Caramel corn, brown sugar, toasted oak, and impressions of fruit delivered on the nose persist onto the palate, though the sugar turns fully caramel and the fruit ends. The finish is quick and clean as tobacco evolves curiously into wet stone.

• **Black Maple Hill — Limited Edition Handmade Sour Mash 16 Year Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$325 — 95 proof / 47.5% ABV — #BMH-OR**

Despite the lack of rye in the mash bill, this NAS Bourbon presents grassy with notable graphite aromas over a core of bread dough, caramel, and vanilla. The medium bodied palate stays nimble with hints of baked apple and clove proceeding quickly to a quick, clean finish.

• **Blade and Bow — ‘Solera System’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 91 proof / 45.5% ABV — #BB-SOL**

The influence of oak comes through in a pronounced caramel and vanilla before dried cranberry, pear, and brandied cherries come to life. Smooth and lively on the palate, dried fruit, light caramel, and citrus join with pear and black-tea dryness before concluding with a quick and clean finish of honeyed grain.

Blade and Bow Limited Release 22 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$256 — 92 proof / 46% ABV

• **Blanton’s — ‘The Original Single Barrel’ (Warehouse H) Barrel no. 372 — \$41 — 93 proof / 46.5 ABV — #BLN-OSB**

The nose opens with a balanced sweetness. Marzipan, caramel, orange peel, and dark caramel sing as time brings additional citrus and rye spice. A palate bringing initial sweetness begins highlighting the rye as floral and spicy notes complicate the caramel and vanilla. Cracked pepper, leather, and antique wardrobe settle on the balanced, waning finish.

Blanton’s — ‘Straight From The Barrel’ (Warehouse H) Barrel no. 2055 — \$98 — 123 proof / 61.5% ABV

• **Blanton’s — ‘Gold Edition’ (Warehouse H) Barrel no 130 — \$132 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV #BLN-GOLD**

Bottled at a higher proof than ‘The Original Single Barrel,’ this bottling brings enthusiasts closer to the cask. Plums, blackberries, and citrus are more apparent, as is the rye influence of pepper. Tobacco emerges toward the end of the nose and on the palate, which is slightly more textured and dense. The honey, caramel, and citrus feel more defined as they lead to a longer, warmer finish.

Blood Oath Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Finished in Cabernet Sauvignon Barrels Pact #3 — \$75 — 98.6 proof / 49.3% ABV

Bomberger’s 2019 Release Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Batch no 19G1234 — \$59 — 108 proof / 54% ABV

Bomberger’s 2020 Release Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Batch no 20G1523 — \$57 — 108 proof / 54% ABV

Bomberger’s 2021 Release Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Batch no 21E1348 — \$55 — 108 proof / 54% ABV

Bomberger’s 2022 Release Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Batch no 22G2142 — \$53 — 108 proof / 54% ABV

• **Bomberger’s — 2023 Release (Kentucky Straight Bourbon, Small Batch) — \$49 — 108 proof / 54% ABV — #BMB-23**

For this release, a mash bill that included malted rye was split between traditional American white oak and Chinquapin that was naturally dry aged for 3 years before filling. This process yielded unique floral and fruit qualities with orange oil, floral pollen, sweet peach and apple sauce. An initial impact of raisin from nose to palate transitions into enormous cherry, strawberry, and ginger snap on a deliciously rich and oily palate.

• Bomberger's — 2025 Release (Kentucky Straight Bourbon, Small Batch) — \$41 — 108 proof / 54% ABV — #BMB-25

This edition focused on finishing Bourbon in Chinquapin barrels with a broad range of dry aging (18 months, 3 years, 4 years, and 5 years) for an undisclosed period. Also featuring malted rye in the mash bill, mocha, garden blossoms, cardamom, and hints of black cherry delivered by the grain appear somewhat restrained on the nose. The palate carries a smooth red and black berry note framed against brown butter, vanilla custard, and thin mints.

Bomberger's 2026 Release Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey Batch no 26C0629 — \$43 — 108 proof / 54% ABV

Bomberger's Precision Fine Grain 2025 Release Batch no 25A0084 — \$65 — 100.2 proof / 50.1% ABV

• Bond & Lillard — Batch 2 (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$58 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BNDL-B2

This charcoal filtered pre-prohibition style whiskey combines fruity and floral notes with contemporary palate richness. The nose offers vanilla, pastry dough, green apple, and candied orange with baking spice and toasted oak in the background. Confection and nuttiness appears on the palate as honeyed almonds, pecans, and caramel lead to a finish of clove, white pepper, and hints of tobacco.

Bookers 10 year 3 month Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whisky batch no. 2014-01 — \$35 — 130.8 proof / 65.4% ABV

Bookers 7 year Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whisky batch no. 2014-06 — \$37 — 127.7 proof / 63.85% ABV

Bookers the Reserves Batch 2024 8 Years 2 Months Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$37 — 125.9 proof / 62.95% ABV

• Boss Molly — Straight Bourbon (Finished with Toasted Brandy Staves) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BOSM-TBS

The effect of the brandy staves is noticed immediately with quince, pear, and hints of citrus and tropical notes on the nose joining with traditional butterscotch and vanilla. Toasted almonds, leather, and mushroom on the palate come through before hints of plum and pear arrive. As the finish develops, mulling spices and leather bring a slightly drying tannic note to conclude the experience.

• Breaker — Wheated Bourbon (California) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BRKR-WB

Rye was removed entirely from the mash bill of this Bourbon and replaced with wheat to offer softer profile. Butterscotch, fruit leather, and baked bread on the nose lead to a smooth and creamy palate of caramel, toffee, coconut, and vanilla. Dry powdered cinnamon lingers for a moment on the dry, warm finish.

• Breuckelen — 77 'NY Local Rye & Corn' (394 Days) 2011 Release — \$18 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BRK-77RC

The mash bill used in this whiskey is 90% rye and 10% corn, introducing sweeter vanilla notes and further softening the impact of spice from the rye. Banana bread, grassy aromas, and flecks of confectionary sweetness begin the aromatic experience. A smooth, creamy palate possesses caramel, sweet corn, brown sugar, and undertones of walnut and dill.

• **Breuckelen — Brownstone (6-Year Malt Whiskey) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BRK-BRNST**

An interpretation of Scotch style whiskey made in the U.S., this whiskey leans into citrus and stone fruit notes instead of classic Bourbon qualities despite the use of charred new oak. Ripe tangerine, orange, and cherry aromas join with honey before showing similarly on the palate, joined by hints of baking spice, melon, and tobacco.

• **Brother's Bond — 7 Year Straight Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond) — \$25 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #BB-BIB7**

A high-rye mash bill of 51% corn and 49% rye (10% malted) delivers a spicy and savory spirit. Black tea, allspice, fig jam, and white blossoms emerge on the nose. An initially sweet palate is defined by butterscotch, toffee, and caramel before leather, maple syrup, and arugula spice arrive. The palate moves into a moderate, warm finish of baking spice and richness.

• **Buffalo Trace — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BTF-KSB**

Gentle and approachable, aromas of peach, honey, apricot, and aniseed appear structured and restrained on the nose. Caramel, dark chocolate, and brown sugar are showcased on a rich, slightly sweet palate while baking spice trends into a finish of dark fruits and a touch of oak.

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection 'Fine Grain Oak' — \$98 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection 'Coarse Grain Oak' — \$98 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection 'Old Fashioned Sour Mash, Entry Proof 115' — \$98 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection 'Zinfandel Aged After 6 Years' — \$98 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection 'Chardonnay Aged After 10 years' — \$125 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection '15 years old, Standard Stave Dry Time' — \$250 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection '15 years old, Extended Stave Dry Time' — \$250 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Bulleit — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BUL-KSB**

Citrus, toffee and baking spice present on a bright nose behind honey and vanilla. The palate presents oak-driven but then trends into the flavors of the mash: caramel and maple show on the attack before sourdough, peach, apricot, and black pepper open up. These lead into a smooth, medium length finish.

• **Bulleit — 10 Year (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 91.2 proof / 45.6% ABV — #BUL10**

The aromas in this example are more concentrated and dried than its more youthful Straight Bourbon counterpart. Dried orange, cooked vanilla bean, clove, and cocoa build in the glass, but with an upfront caramel before allspice, leather, and wet forest trees come forward. The finish remains moderate but develops tobacco and dried dark fruit notes before a clean exit.

• **Bulleit 10 Year Kentucky Straight Rye — \$25 — 91.2 proof / 45.6% ABV**

• **Bulleit — '95' Straight Rye — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #BUL-R95**

Black pepper and dried berries come through clearly on this rye. Hints of caramel and vanilla on the nose tease at the idea of their presence on the palate, but the taste opens with pepper spice and a mouth tingling texture before honey and dried fruit come through. Caramel comes back in on a fairly quick finish that includes a peppery exit.

• **Bulleit — 12 Year Straight Rye — \$25 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #BUL-R12**

The maturation of this whiskey has restrained the spicy and assertive notes of the rye, evolving them into a profile in line with eucalyptus and mint. Aromas of pear and melon, as well as allspice and candied orange peel, complicate the freshness in this whiskey. A round and soft palate shows an integrated rye bread spice while highlighting lemon zest, toasted cocoa, and sweet shortbread notes.

• **Calumet Farm — 15 Year 'Single Rack Black' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$49 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV — #CF-15SRB**

Leaning into a sweet desert-like profile, dark caramel, rich toffee, blackberry compote, and touches of leather emerge from the glass. The palate is concentrated, showing dark cherry and raisin as notes of old baking spice cabinet assert themselves. The finish is long and inclusive of the total experience as candied fruits, dark chocolate, and tobacco guide a lingering conclusion.

• **Calumet Farm 16 Year Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$55 — 106 proof / 53% ABV**

• **Calumet Farm — 17 Year 'Centennial Celebration' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$135 — 117 proof / 58.5% ABV — #CF-17CC**

Layers of fig, burnt orange, caramel, and toasted vanilla open the nose on this very rare, limited edition bottling. Butterscotch, honey, and a more intense caramel quality arrive before the aged notes of tobacco, dark chocolate, and spent BBQ wood. Cinnamon, brown sugar, and toasted nuts develop on a long and complex finish.

• **Calumet Farm — 18 Year 'Centennial Celebration' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$183 — 118 proof / 59% ABV — #CF-18CC**

This surprisingly fresh whiskey opens aromatically with rich red cherry, fig, liquorice, kola nut, and typical aged Bourbon indicators. The palate persists with the nose, showing even more clarity on the fruit notes with butterscotch, toffee, and high quality tobacco presenting on a structurally dry palate. This bottling finishes long and broad with dark chocolate and rye spice as key flavors.

• **Castle & Key — 'Restoration Rye' (3 Years, Kentucky Rye Whiskey) — \$23 — 106.5 proof / 53.25% ABV — #C&K-RR3**

This whiskey rests firmly in the rye style. Aromas of black pepper, fresh cut grass, liquorice, and mint lead directly into the palate. Vanilla and caramel become more apparent when the rye grass begins to fade. The finish, which plays moderate to long, persists with liquorice and a chewy, tannic texture.

• **Castle & Key — 'Wheated' (7 Years, Kentucky Straight Bourbon, Cask Strength) — \$23 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV — #C&K-W7CS**

The use of 10% winter wheat as a substitute for the rye in this mash bill encouraged the development of fruity and pastry notes during maturation. On the nose, oatmeal raisin cookie,

toasted almond, nougat, and vanilla cupcake open into a dense and creamy palate of powdered doughnut, red apple, almond, and bittersweet chocolate. It finishes with brown sugar, dried cherry, and clove.

• **Catoctin Creek — 7 Year ‘Collab’ (Pennsylvania Straight Rye, Cask Strength) — \$27 — 134 proof / 67% ABV — #CTC-PA7CS**

Single-state Pennsylvania rye laid down for seven seasons and bottled at natural strength shows mint-pepper lift, dark honey and oak spice on a taut, grain-led line; water teases out orange oil and tea-leaf dryness. A limited collaborative release, it spotlights heritage PA rye in long form—clarity and drive over Yearsweetness, with age and proof used for precision, not blunt force.

• **Colkegan — New Mexico Single Malt (Santa Fe) — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #CLKGN-SM**

Undergoing maturation in both new American oak and ex-Bourbon barrels, this malted whiskey takes on notes of marzipan, candied ginger, white chocolate, and liquorice before smoky mesquite BBQ takes over. Peaches, German pretzel, burnt sugar, apple, and summertime cookout leads to a moderate finish of toffee, vanilla, and campfire.

• **Commanders Club Grand Cuvée Reserve Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey — \$71 — 110.42 proof / 55.21% ABV**

• **Corner Creek 8 Years Reserve Bourbon Whiskey (2005 Release) — \$59 — 88 proof / 44% ABV**

• **Cream of Kentucky — Small Batch ‘Double Rich’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$26 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #COKY-DR**

This classic recipe presents oak forward on the nose as caramel apples, orange blossom, honey, and baking spice show after time in air. Honey shows on the palate alongside plum, dark berries, brown butter, and hints of banana. A warm and long finish emphasizes black tea, tannins, and corn sweetness.

• **Cream of Kentucky 12.3 Years Batch 1 — \$65 — 102 proof / 51% ABV**

• **Cream of Kentucky 12.3 Years Batch 3 — \$65 — 102 proof / 51% ABV**

• **Cream of Kentucky 12.3 Years Batch 4 — \$65 — 102 proof — \$65 / 51% ABV**

• **Cream of Kentucky 11.5 Years — \$65 — 102 proof — \$65 / 51% ABV**

• **Dad’s Hat — Pennsylvania Rye (Maple Syrup Cask Finish) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #DH-PA-MAP**

Produced in a spicy and peppery forward Monongahela style, the nose opens the experience with floral and grassy aromas alongside burnt sugar and hints of citrus. Pepper, green apple, cedar, mint, and ginger characterize the palate while the finish is decidedly green, presenting pine, anise, and dill. Despite the spice, this whiskey plays very smooth on the palate.

• **Dad’s Hat PM Spirits Collab Oloroso Sherry Cask Finished Straight Rye — \$38 — 122 proof / 61% ABV**

• **Dad's Hat PM Spirits Collab Single Barrel 7 Years Straight Rye Barrel No 12 — \$38 — 134 proof / 67% ABV**

• **Dark Arts — 'Barely Legal' 7 Year (Straight Bourbon, Cask Strength) — \$33 — 113.6 proof / 56.8% ABV — #DA-BL7**

Apple, pear, and lemon zest emerge on this 51%/49% corn/rye bill before the rye influenced aromas of white pepper and grass become apparent. The palate leans into cherry and citrus while the chocolate and honey from maturation round out the palate. Trending into the long finish is cinnamon stick, vanilla, and caramel as the impressions of fruit gently fade out.

• **Dark Arts — 'Amburana Cask Finished' (7 Years Straight Rye) — \$33 — 108 proof / 54% ABV — #DA-AMB7**

A traditional 95% rye / 5% malted barley whiskey is aged in new American oak before finishing with toasted Amburana staves, tilting the profile toward cinnamon-roll warmth. Nutmeg and sandalwood shine alongside apple and butterscotch on the nose, leading into a palate of apple pie, French vanilla, and Vietnamese cinnamon. Hints of toasted coconut and dark chocolate are found in the palate and finish.

• **Dark Arts — 'Toasted French Oak' (7.5 Years Straight Bourbon) — \$33 — 108 proof / 54% ABV — #DA-TFO7_5**

Red fruits take center stage in this spirit as raspberry, red apple, and cherry shine on the nose. The influence of American oak is remarkably softened by the French oak as vanilla, cinnamon, and creamy cake notes accompany the fruitiness of the spirit. Extra-aged bourbon is re-racked to toasted French oak, whose tight grain adds cocoa, roasted hazelnut and fine-grained tannin around a steady caramel core; the toast brings width without heavy char. The palate reads layered yet trim, finishing cedar-dry. As a finishing study, it trades sweetness for structure—French oak shaping poise over flash.

• **Dark Arts Amburana Cask Finished 7.5 Years Straight Rye — \$33 — 108 proof / 54% ABV**

• **Dark Arts Barely Legal 8 Years Straight Bourbon — \$33 — 113.62 proof / 56.81% ABV**

• **Dark Arts — 'Toasted Mizunara Oak Staves' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #DA-MIZ**

The finishing of this whiskey includes the use of Japanese Mizunara oak, providing the whiskey with compelling notes of incense, exotic spice, and sandalwood. Gingerbread, stewed berries, and vanilla appear on the nose and velvety palate while toasted coconut, lemon zest, and hints of peanuts bring the palate to a long, elegant, and complete finish.

• **Dark Arts — 'Blunt Blend' (8 Years Straight Rye; Madeira & Armagnac Finish) — \$39 — 114.8 proof / 57.4% ABV — #DA-BLNT**

The Bourbon used to make this whiskey was finished separately in Madeira and Armagnac casks before marriage. A wealth of plum, raisin, chocolate, red cherries, and dates are supported by touches of cinnamon and clove on the nose. The palate, however, is deeply chocolate and peppery in character with rich caramel and dark fruits qualifying the rich, sweet mouthfeel.

• **Eagle Rare — 10 Years (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #ER10**

The nose is inviting and complex, bringing forward red fruit depth alongside chocolate, toffee,

and caramel. The rich, sweet palate delivers more caramel, brown sugar, and dark chocolate. Cherry syrup can also be discovered before a finish of vanilla, toffee, and new leather.

• **Eagle Rare 17 Years Bottled Fall 2022 — \$236 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **Eagle Rare 17 Years Bottled Summer 2021 — \$236 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **Eagle Rare 17 Years Bottled Summer 2020 — \$236 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **E.H. Taylor — Small Batch (Bottled-in-Bond) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #EHT-SB**
Chocolate and molasses begin the aromatic experience as overripe red cherry and fresh red apples develop with a little time. Touches of butterscotch lead into a palate that initially leans into brown sugar and pound cake before cinnamon and anise take over. The warming finish trends into peppery rye spices while maintaining chocolate sweetness before a savory finale.

• **Col. E. H. Taylor 18 Years Marriage Kentucky Straight Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond)— \$589 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Col. E. H. Taylor 4 Grain Kentucky Straight Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond)— \$386 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Col. E. H. Taylor Straight Rye (Bottled-in-Bond)— \$56 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Col. E. H. Taylor Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond)— \$83 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Col. E. H. Taylor Cured Oak Kentucky Straight Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond)— \$589 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Col. E. H. Taylor Warehouse C Tornado Surviving Kentucky Straight Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond) — \$589 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Col. E. H. Taylor Barrel Proof Uncut and Unfiltered Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$122 — 135.1 proof / 67.55% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig — ‘Small Batch’ (8–12 Years) — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #EC-SB**
Earthy and musty on the first nosing, aromas build into complex notes of sweet fruit, cedar, cardamom, and vanilla. Wood tannins appear prominently on the textured, dry palate. Tea leaf and a touch of nuttiness emphasizes the cranberry and tangerine to be found in the mouth before a long, savory, drying finish.

• **Elijah Craig — ‘Toasted Barrel Finish’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 94 proof / 47% ABV— #EC-TST**

The influence of this whiskey comes from a finish in toasted American oak barrels that emphasize the aromatic and flavor notes delivered by the spirit. The caramel, vanilla, and brown sugar are more developed while the palate offers a broader range of red fruit, warming spices, and an impression of hazelnut and pecan.

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 18 Years Barrel № 7406 — \$75 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 18 Years Barrel № 6114 — \$75 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 18 Years Barrel № 6694 — \$75 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 18 Years Barrel № 7713 — \$75 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 18 Years Barrel № 4526 — \$75 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 18 Years Brandy Library Selection Barrel No. 3646 — \$697 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig 12 Years Straight Bourbon — \$54 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Small Batch — \$54 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 21 Years Barrel № 34 — \$185 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig Single Barrel 23 Years Barrel № 143 — \$196 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elijah Craig — ‘Straight Rye’ (Kentucky Straight Rye) — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #EC-RYE**

This barely legal rye delivers the citrus and floral quality of rye without the spicyness. Lemon and orange zest, orange blossom, and baking spice rest on a core of cedar and light caramel. The palate is toasty and lightly sweet, showing brioche and caramel before pear and flecks of black pepper emerge. The finish is moderate with a touch of mint closing the experience.

• **Elijah Craig — ‘2025 PGA Quail Hollow’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$29 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #EC-PGA25**

Built from stores matured in the Heaven Hill Q and H1 rickhouses, this commemorative release opens with traditional dessert flavors before building dried apricot and toasted wood notes on the nose. The palate is lightly sweet with an oily texture, baking spice, caramel, and a noticeable smoky char before a long toasty finish.

• **Elijah Craig — Barrel Proof (11 Year) — \$32 — 130.6 proof / 130.6 ABV — #EC-BP11-1306**

The elevated proof on this series magnifies the more subtle fruit notes present in Elijah Craig bottlings. Orange zest and touches of apple sauce integrate with the baking spice notes while caramel and toffee continue to headline the show. The palate is very warming and oak driven with dark chocolate lingering through an extended finish.

• **Elijah Craig — Barrel Proof (11 Year) — \$32 — 129 proof / 64.5% ABV — #EC-BP11-1290**

Burnt marshmallow and chocolate mints come forward in this barrel proof iteration. Marmalade richness and softer green tea tannins on the palate join with butterscotch and peanut butter on a viscous and full bodied palate.

• **Elmer T. Lee Single Barrel Sour Mash Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$51 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Elmer T. Lee 100 Years Tribute Single Barrel Sour Mash Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$73 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

- **Evan Williams — ‘1783’ Small Batch (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV— #EW-1783**

Honey, sugar syrup, and buttered popcorn on the nose lead to an off-dry palate of toasted peanuts, allspice, and baked apples. The whiskey stays clean and easy on the palate as the sweetness fades and starts a dry finish of leather and tobacco.

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- **Evan Williams — Single Barrel Vintage (2015–2024) — \$23 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV — #EW-SB-VTG**

Aromas of orange marmalade, vanilla, and toffee arrive before the walnut and touches of red fruit. Upfront tea notes on the palate shift into apple, orange, honey, tree sap, and warming spices. Compelling fresh bread and toffee notes lead a long finish to a semi-sweet ending.

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 1986 — \$91 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 1987 — \$91 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 1988 — \$91 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 1989 — \$91 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 1994 — \$85 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 1998 — \$85 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2003 — \$81 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2004 — \$81 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2005 — \$81 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2006 — \$81 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2010 — \$35 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2011 — \$35 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2012 — \$35 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2013 — \$25 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2014 — \$25 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s Single Barrel Vintage 2016 — \$25 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

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- **Evan William’s 12 year Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$28 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **Fanged Pursuit — Orphan Barrel (17 Year Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$69 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #OB-FP17**

The Bourbon used here comes from undisclosed distilleries and undisclosed maturation. The nose will bring baking spices, carrot cake, and brown sugar to the front while sweetness on the smooth and velvety palate leads to ginger, mint, cinnamon, candied orange, and apricot candy. The finish is long, leaning into vanilla, nutmeg, and hints of peppermint. This is a surprising and engaging expression of aged Bourbon.

• **Four Roses — Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #4R-SB**

Drawn from a single barrel at 100 proof, this pour shows citrus oil, honeyed grain and clean spice riding a taut, high-rye frame; the finish is neat and tea-leaf dry. Each barrel comes from one of Four Roses' 10 recipes, so profile varies by yeast and mashbill. As the permanent single-barrel in the range, it expresses the house's precision—clarity, structure, and no finishing tricks.

• **Four Roses 2017 Limited Edition Small Batch 50th Anniversary — \$193 — 119.6 proof / 59.8% ABV**

• **Four Roses Secretariat 40th Anniversary — \$250 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OESO Barrel № 38-1U — \$29 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OESV Barrel № 3-2G — \$29 — 113 proof / 56.5% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSV Barrel № 87-2G — \$29 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OESV Barrel № 37-6P — \$29 — 123.8 proof / 61.9% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSF Barrel № 22-1T — \$29 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OESF Barrel № 79-3Q — \$29 — 117.6 proof / 58.8% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OESF Barrel № 15-1N — \$29 — 102.8 proof / 50.1% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSF Barrel № 89-4S — \$29 — 123.8 proof / 61.9% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSV Barrel № 87-2G — \$29 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSO Barrel № 29-1U — \$29 — 106.6 proof / 53.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSF Barrel № 71-1C — \$29 — 109.6 proof / 54.8% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OESF Barrel № 79-3Q — \$29 — 107.6 proof / 53.8% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSO Barrel №. 60-5W — \$29 — 120.6 proof / 60.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSO Barrel № 11-1W — \$29 — 108.4 proof / 54.2% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSO Barrel № 30-1U — \$29 — 108.6 / 54.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSK Barrel № 4-4I — \$29 — 120.4 proof / 60.2% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSV Barrel № 31-1H — \$29 — 103.8 proof / 51.9% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSF Barrel № 8-1B — \$29 — 109 proof / 54.5% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel OBSK Barrel № 10-1B — \$29 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel 2013 Limited Edition Barrel № 3-2P — \$178 — 116.6 proof / 58.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel 100th Anniversary Limited Edition Barrel № 24-12 — \$210 — 114.6 / 57.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Single Barrel 2014 Limited Edition Barrel № 47-1U — \$130 — 107.8 proof / 53.9% ABV**

• **Four Roses 14 year Single Barrel Elliott's Select 2016 Barrel № 53-2P — \$157 — 107.6 proof / 53.8% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2013 Limited Edition — \$178 — 113.2 proof / 56.6% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2014 Limited Edition — \$178 — 111.8 proof / 55.9% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2015 Limited Edition — \$178 — 108.6 proof / 54.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2016 Limited Edition — \$178 — 111.2 proof / 55.6% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2017 Limited Edition — \$178 — 108 proof / 54% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2019 Limited Edition — \$178 — 112.6 proof / 56.3% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2021 Limited Edition — \$156 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2024 Limited Edition — \$156 — 108.2 proof / 54.1% ABV**

• **Four Roses Small Batch 2025 Limited Edition — \$156 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Four Roses Marriage Collection 2008 Limited Edition — \$350— 106.2 proof / 53.1% ABV**

• **Four Roses — ‘Small Batch’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #4R-SMB**

This blend of the OBSO, OESO, OBSK and OESK recipes shows balance in herbal, fruit, and dessert notes. Citrus oil and red-fruit, caramel and vanilla, apple and red cherry all present on the nose and palate. The warming palate develops baking spice as it leads into the finish.

• **Four Roses — ‘Small Batch Select’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 104 proof / 52% ABV — #4R-SMBS**

6-7 year old batches of Four Roses’ high and low rye mash bills fermented with F (herbal), K (light spice), and V (light fruit) yeasts and are blended non-chill filtered for this bottling. The

complexity of aromas leans into freshness with cherries, raspberries, and clove appear alongside ripe apples and peaches before the vanilla and caramel arrive.

• **George Dickel — Rye (Tennessee) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #GD-RYE**

The nose offers vanilla, dill, marshmallow, and touches of peach which build over time into eucalyptus and sweet orange. A smooth palate benefitted by sugar maple charcoal mellowing presents more indicative spice notes of anise and citrus zest while honey and vanilla play supporting roles.

• **George Dickel — 13 Year (Fall 2008 Distilled, Tennessee; Bottled-in-Bond) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #GD-BIB08**

Dried cherries, cinnamon, and caramel are lifted from the glass by powerful aromas of dark chocolate. A touch of volatile banana shows well alongside the tart cherry, leather, and oak notes on the palate. The finish is long and smooth with caramel, brown sugar, and baking spice.

• **George Dickel — 17 Year (Cask Strength, Tennessee; Charcoal-Mellowed) — \$83 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #GD-17CS**

This whiskey is rich and fruit driven from the start. Ripe peaches, red fruits, and mixed berries are complemented by maple and vanilla. A surprisingly light palate carries the fruit notes from the nose on a textured, oak tannin palate. Minerality abounds on the palate and into the finish as anise and caramel conclude the experience. Long-rested Tennessee whiskey is selected and bottled at natural strength, with the distillery's charcoal mellowing shaping edges into orange oil, caramel and tea-leaf dryness over a firm oak line. The palate reads long and composed, power carried as poise rather than heat. As an elder Cascade Hollow chapter, it frames Tennessee tradition through extended age and uncut texture—time and mellowing speaking in tandem.

• **George Dickel 12 years Bottled In Bond Tennessee Whiskey — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **George Dickel 18 Years Limited Release — \$183 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **George Dickel 8 Year Bourbon — \$28 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 124.9 proof / 62.45% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 129.2 proof / 64.6% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 130.4 proof / 65.2% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 130.9 proof / 65.45% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 144.1 proof / 72.05% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 136.1 proof / 68.05% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 131.8 proof / 65.9% ABV**

• **George T. Stagg 18 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$326 — 138.7 proof / 69.35% ABV**

• **Great Jones — Batch No.002 (Straight Bourbon, New York) — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #GJ-B002**

Pozole, hay, vanilla, apple, and caramel emerge on a composed nose. White pepper leads into a palate of white cake, butter roll, cinnamon, and chocolate chip. Liquorice and hazelnut drive the warming finish.

• **Great Jones — Straight Rye (100% New York Grain) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #GJ-RYE**

This rye shows honey, dill, and caramel on a nose driven by sweetness. The palate shows the same richness with white pepper supports a palate of cocoa, pear, apple, and earthy spices on a mouth filling body. The medium length finish ends with baking spice and caramel.

• **Green River — Kentucky Straight Wheated Bourbon (Non-Chill-Filtered) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #GR-WBNCF**

A surprising amount of baking spice is present here, with white cake, caramel, sweet cream, and red fruits rounding out the nose. The palate is soft and medium bodied, offering butterscotch, caramel, and dessert notes. This leads to a moderate finish returning to pastry and spice.

• **Hardin's Creek — 'Clermont' (204 Months, Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$96 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #HC-CLM204**

Aged for 204 months at the James B. Beam warehouse in Clermont, Kentucky, this single-site expression provides a complex bouquet of toasted marshmallow, rum raisin, dark cherry, and roasted nuts. Dark fruits return on the palate alongside butterscotch pudding, cinnamon extract, and dark toffee. An extensive finish that dips between sweet and white pepper spice brings a warming end to the dram.

• **Hardins Creek Boston — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$96 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Hardins Creek Frankfort — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$96 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Hardins Creek Warehouse R 11 Years — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$57 — 110 proof — \$57 / 55% ABV**

• **Hardins Creek Warehouse G 11 Years — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$57 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Hardins Creek Warehouse W 11 Years — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$57 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Hardins Creek Jacob's Well — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$75 — 109 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Heaven's Door — Straight Bourbon (Calvados Cask & Toasted Oak Finish) — \$31 — 108 proof / 54% ABV — #HD-CAL**

Aged for 5 years with a finishing period in freshly dumped Calvados casks and French Oak with a medium-heavy toast, the initial notes scream apples. Honey, brown sugar, pear, and caramel can be found on subsequent tastes of this smooth, warming spirit that finishes with caramel apples and toasted pecan.

• **Heaven's Door — 'Ascension' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HD-ASC**

Vanilla and caramel set the stage for a rye-forward nose of baking spice, citrus oil and dried apricot as baking spice develops. The fruit disappears on the palate in favor of toffee, creamy caramel, black pepper, and gentle oak notes. Baking spices push the medium length finish.

Heaven's Door Limited Release Single Barrel Vino de Naranja Finish — 118.4 proof / 59.2% ABV — \$33

• **Heaven Hill — 7 Year 'Old Style' (Bottled-in-Bond) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #HH-7BIB**

Alongside the traditional Bourbon notes in this blend are leather, dried apricot, and a touch of banana on the nose. Citrus and cherry arrive surprisingly on the palate with pecans, brown sugar, and forest floor adding complexity. The finish surprises, as well, with sweetness, orange, baking spice, and vanilla.

• **Heaven Hill — Grain to Glass (Kentucky Straight Bourbon; 2017–2024) — \$35 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV — #HH-G2G-B**

The nose begins with panna cotta, dried fruit, dark chocolate, and cinnamon before fresher red fruits and honey come to life. On the palate is fresh peach, apple cobbler, brown butter, and a touch of spicy tannins. Strawberries and cinnamon transition to sweet tobacco on a long finish.

• **Heaven Hill — Grain to Glass (Kentucky Straight Rye; 2017–2024) — \$35 — 123.2 proof / 61.6% ABV — #HH-G2G-R**

Green rye notes abound in this vintage bottling. Mint, nutmeg, oregano, and orange aromas come to life over the oak influence. The palate offers clove, coriander, tangerine, and brown sugar with a drying herbal tea quality. It finishes with nutty, caramel, and oaky with the herbal, spicy notes dialing back.

• **William Heavenhill 15 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$136 — 109 proof / 54.5% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill Grain to Glass Straight Wheated Bourbon 2017-2024 — \$39 — 121 proof / 60.5% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill 2018 Grain to Glass Limited Edition Kentucky Straight Rye — \$49 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill 2018 Grain to Glass Limited Edition Kentucky Straight Wheated Bourbon — \$39 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill 2018 Grain to Glass Limited Edition Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$49 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill 17 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$199 — 118.2 proof / 59.1% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill 20 Years Kentucky Straight Corn Whiskey — \$376 — 115 proof / 57.5% ABV**

• **Heaven Hill 90th Anniversary — \$53 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Henry McKenna — 10 Year (Bottled-in-Bond; 2009–2021) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #HMK-10BIB**

A single-barrel bourbon aged a full decade and bottled in bond, this 2009–2021 vintage threads toffee, vanilla and orange zest through fine, drying oak; the palate is composed and tea-leaf clean. The identity is specificity over blend—one barrel, one year. Under Heaven Hill, McKenna’s long-running 10-year BIB keeps a 20th-century Kentucky classic alive in a rigorously defined format.

• **High N’ Wicked ‘The Honorable’ 12 Years Straight Bourbon — \$43 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **High West — ‘Double Rye’ (Park City, Utah) Batch 25J15 — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #HW-DR**

Fruit forward with hints of spice, this light bodied rye gives plenty of citrus, peach, and guava before the clove and baking spices emerge. Grapey flavors build toward milk chocolate and liquorice before a quick and clean finish.

• **High West Campfire Whiskey Batch 3 — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

• **High West BouRye Batch 11H11 — \$38 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

• **High West BouRye Limited Release Batch 16A12 — \$43 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

• **High West Yippie Ki Yay — \$48 — 92 proof**

• **High West — ‘Cask Collection’ (Petite Sirah Barrel Finish; Straight Whiskeys) — \$26 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #HW-CC-PS**

This blend of Rye and Bourbon whiskies is finished in Petite Sirah wine barrels for 7 months, blackberry and peppered cocoa are imparted into the whiskey. Candied notes of caramel corn and overripe plum also build in the glass as sweet dark chocolate, dried cherry, and tobacco drive the finish.

• **Hillrock — ‘Double Cask Rye’ (Over 5 Years; New York) — \$39 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #HLRK-DCR**

Mature rye is given a second cask phase for added breadth, bringing mint-pepper snap, dark honey and toasted nut over a composed, mid-weight line; oak pulls the finish tea-leaf dry. The profile reads layered without sweetness. As a Hudson Valley estate release, Double Cask ties Hillrock’s grain-to-glass ethos to a wood program that favors structure and polish.

• **Hillrock Double Cask Bourbon (Bottled-in-Bond) — \$XX — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Hillrock — ‘Solera System’ (Sherry Cask Finished Bourbon; New York) — \$35 — 92.6 proof / 46.3% ABV — #HLRK-SLR**

Bourbon is aged through a solera system and given a final rest in Sherry casks, building raisined fruit, almond toffee and gentle spice over a caramel core; the close is poised and dry. Texture reads satin rather than syrupy. One of the first American bourbons to employ a solera with a sherry finish, it defines Hillrock’s signature: estate grain, layered maturation, Old World influence.

• **Hirsch — Cask Strength (Finished in Hine Cognac Casks) — \$64 — 127 proof / 63.5% ABV — #HRS-CS-COG**

After primary maturation, select barrels are finished in ex-Hine Cognac casks, then bottled at natural cask strength to preserve dense fruit, rancio-tinged spice and walnut over a firm, grain-led core. The Cognac wood adds lifted orchard fruit and fine, drying tannin rather than sweetness. As a modern chapter of the Hirsch revival, it treats finishing as architecture—French brandy casks framing a focused, high-definition bourbon.

• **Hirsch 20 Years Special Reserve American Whiskey — \$897 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **Hirsch 13 Years Kentucky Straight Rye — \$553 — 95.6 proof / 47.8% ABV**

• **Horse Soldier — ‘Premium’ (2 Year Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 87 proof / 43.5% ABV — #HS-PREM2**

A youthful two-year straight bourbon blended for lift over weight: caramel corn and orange peel ride a bright, grain-forward line while oak keeps the finish tidy and dry. The palate favors energy and clarity rather than depth—an intentional early-age snapshot. Founded by U.S. Special Forces veterans, Horse Soldier places story and service at the brand’s core while this entry expression highlights approachable, cocktail-friendly verve.

• **Horse Soldier — ‘Reserve’ (Barrel Strength Bourbon) — \$29 — 114 proof / 57% ABV — #HS-RES-BS**

Barrel-strength batches are composed for concentration without syrup—dark toffee, citrus-pith bite and polished spice over a dense, oil-satin palate; a dash of water teases out vanilla and tea-leaf dryness. No finishing tricks here—just selection and proof letting warehouse character speak cleanly. As the power chapter in the range, Reserve translates the brand’s bold identity into length and structure rather than heat.

• **Indigo’s Hour — Orphan Barrel (18 Year Straight Bourbon) — \$79 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #OB-IND18**

Extra-mature Kentucky stocks are assembled to show depth with restraint: fig, burnt orange and cocoa carried on a calm, grain-sweet spine, oak guiding a cedar-dry close. The age reads poised, not heavy. As part of the Orphan Barrel project, Indigo’s Hour fits the series brief—long-rested parcels curated and bottled with their rickhouse voice intact, a lens on time rather than finishing.

• **Isaac Bowman — Port Barrel Finished (Straight Bourbon, Virginia) — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #ASB-PF**

House bourbon completes its journey in Port wine casks, which lend raisined fruit, almond toffee and warm spice to a honeyed corn core; the finish stays neat and dry. Texture reads satin, not

syrupy, with oak providing quiet structure. Within A. Smith Bowman's finishing program, this release brings a measured Old World accent into the Virginia profile while keeping the palate firmly bourbon-first.

• **I.W. Harper — Cabernet Sauvignon Cask Finish (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #IWH-CAB**

Straight bourbon completes its journey in Cabernet Sauvignon wine casks, the red-wine-seasoned oak lending cassis, blackberry and graphite over a caramel-corn core; fine tannin keeps the finish trim and dry. The texture reads layered rather than sweet, with the wine wood adding contour more than weight. As a modern branch of this 19th-century label, it threads Old World barrel influence into a classically Kentucky frame.

• **IW Harper 15 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$35 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Jefferson's — 'Tropics' (Finished in Singapore; Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$37 — 104 proof / 52% ABV — #JEF-TROP**

Bourbon matured in Kentucky then undergoes an extended second maturation in Singapore's heat and humidity, intensifying oak exchange and concentrating fruit and spice; think ripe orchard fruit, toffee and a cedar-dry exit. Texture feels plush yet disciplined. As a climate-driven study from Jefferson's experimental program, Tropics moves the brand's aging experiments from ocean voyages to fixed tropical conditions—environment as a deliberate finishing tool.

• **Jefferson's Ocean straight bourbon Special Wheated Mash Bill Voyage 15 — \$53 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Reserve Old Rum Cask Finish Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$36 — 90.2 proof / 45.1% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Reserve Groth Reserve Cask Finish Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$36 — 90.2 / 45.1% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Grand Selection Chateau Suduiraut Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$57 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Grand Selection Chateau Pichon Baron Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$57 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Presidential Select 16 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon Twin Oak for 5 Years — \$193 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Presidential Select 18 year Kentucky Straight Wheated Bourbon 1991 Vintage Aged in Stitzel-Weller Barrels — \$691 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Presidential Select 21 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$320 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Presidential Select 25 Years Straight Rye Batch 1 — \$418 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Jefferson's Reserve — 'Pritchard Hill Cabernet Cask Finish' — \$27 — 90.2 proof / 45.1% ABV — #JEF-PH**

Core Kentucky bourbon completes its journey in Cabernet Sauvignon casks from Pritchard Hill, the wine-seasoned oak adding blackcurrant, cocoa and a fine, grapey tannin over a caramel-corn heart; the close stays cedar-dry. Texture widens without turning sweet. As part of Jefferson's finish-led program, this release shifts the house style toward claret poise—red-wine structure used as architecture, not sugar, within a recognizably Kentucky frame.

• **Jim Beam — Black Label (8 Year, Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #JB-B8**

Extra time in warehouse turns the classic Beam profile toward darker citrus, cocoa and polished oak, the body still mid-weight and composed; the exit stays tea-leaf dry. No finishing—just age and blend discipline. Positioned as the matured sibling to White Label, Black restores an age-stated Beam chapter that reads longer and calmer without abandoning the brand's bright, high-corn line.

• **Jim Beam Black 7 year Kentucky Straight Bourbon — 90 proof / 45% ABV — \$24**

• **James B. Beam Distiller's Share 06 Muscat Wine finish — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV — \$33**

• **Johnny Drum — 'Private Stock' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV — #JD-PS**

Select Kentucky barrels are batched to a confident house strength for toffee, orange zest and clove over a firm grain core; oak reins the finale to a cedar-dry line. Texture reads lively rather than heavy. Bottled under the long-running Johnny Drum label from Bardstown, Private Stock keeps the classic small-batch idea tight and purposeful—no finishing, just selection and proof shaping character.

• **John E. Fitzgerald 20 Years Very Special Reserve Kentucky Straight Bourbon — 90 proof / 45% ABV — \$257**

• **Joseph Magnus — 'Murray Hill Club' Bourbon Whiskey Blend — \$39 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV — #JOM-MHC**

Master Blender Nancy Fraley revives the house's pre-Prohibition flagship by marrying mature straight bourbons with a portion of well-aged light whiskey, building depth without weight; vanilla cream, toffee and cola spice ride a firm, dry oak line. The light-whiskey component lifts texture and aromatics rather than sweetness. As a modern reissue of the original Murray Hill Club, it reconnects Jos. A. Magnus to its historic blending DNA.

• **J.W. Kelly — 'Melrose' Rye (Amarone Cask Finish) — \$25 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #JWK-MLRS**

A rye first matured in American white oak—air-dried staves, lightly toasted and charred—then finished in **Amarone wine casks**, which add raisined fruit, cocoa and a fine red-wine tannin to rye's mint-pepper line; texture widens yet the close remains dry. As a house signature, Melrose folds Italian cask influence into Chattanooga rye, extending a historic label's palate without masking grain character.

• **J.W. Kelly — 'Old Milford' Straight Bourbon whiskey — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #JWK-MLRS**

• **Kentucky Owl — ‘Confiscated’ (2019) — \$53 — 96.4 proof / 48.2% ABV — #KO-CF19**

A Kentucky straight-bourbon blend composed for balance—caramel, orange oil and polished spice over a mid-weight frame, the finish neat and tea-leaf dry. The name honors **C.M.**

Dedman’s whiskey seized by the government in 1916, a pivotal moment in the brand’s story. Released as Kentucky Owl’s first true nationwide bottling, it carries that lineage into the present without leaning on finishes or excess oak.

• **Kentucky Owl — Batch 12 (2022) — \$29 — 115.8 proof / 57.9% ABV — #KO-B12-22**

Master Blender John Rhea marries bourbons spanning youthful energy to well-aged depth, yielding dark toffee, citrus-pith lift and firm oak that drinks powerful yet poised; a dash of water reveals vanilla and walnut. Batch variation is the point here—distinct parcels speaking in concert. As a post-transition chapter for Kentucky Owl, it marks the house style under Rhea’s hand: high definition, no finish, warehouse truth.

• **Kentucky Owl — ‘Takumi Edition’ (2022 Release, Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$43 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #KO-TKM22**

Mature Kentucky bourbons from distinct mashbills were selected and blended for balance—citrus oil, honeyed grain and polished spice over a firm, oak-shaped line; the finish runs neat and dry. Created in collaboration with a Japanese master blender, the profile emphasizes precision and poise rather than sheer weight. As a cultural exchange in the Kentucky Owl story, Takumi reframes the house voice through a Japanese blending lens.

• **Kentucky Owl St Patrick’s day Edition — 100 proof / 50% ABV — \$56**

• **Kentucky Owl 11 Years Kentucky Straight Rye — 110.6 proof / 50.3% ABV — \$89**

• **Kentucky Owl 10 Years Kentucky Straight Rye — 114 proof / 57% ABV — \$76**

• **Kentucky Vintage Kentucky Straight Bourbon — 90 proof / 45% ABV — \$35**

• **Kings County — ‘Empire Rye’ (Straight Rye, New York) — \$27 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #KC-ER**

A New York–grown rye recipe meeting the Empire Rye standard (rye-led with NY grain, pot-distilled, aged in new oak) yields mint, cocoa and pepper on a taut, grain-sweet spine; oak keeps the exit tea-leaf dry. Texture is sleek rather than sharp. As Brooklyn’s flagship rye, it plants a regional flag—terroir-forward grain and pot-still definition over sugar or finish.

• **Kings County — ‘Empire Rye’ (Cask Strength, 3 Years, New York) — \$33 — 121.2 proof / 60.6% ABV — #KC-ER-CS3**

Pot-distilled rye matured three New York seasons is bottled at **natural strength**, concentrating caraway, dark honey and citrus peel over a dense, oil-satin palate; a dash of water teases out vanilla and black-tea dryness. The feel is powerful yet composed. As the high-definition chapter of Kings County’s rye program, it shows Empire Rye’s regional character in long form—age, proof and oak as structure, not sweetness.

• **Kings County — Straight Bourbon (Brooklyn, New York) — \$25 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #KC-SB**

A distinctive **high-malt bourbon** recipe (corn with a large share of malted barley, no rye or wheat) is pot-distilled and matured in new charred oak, reading caramel corn, biscuit and cocoa over a mineral-clean line; the finish is tidy and dry. Texture favors clarity over heft. As the city’s

signature bourbon, it expresses place and method—Brooklyn grain and pot stills—rather than finish-led embellishment.

• **Knob Creek — ‘Small Batch’ (9 Year, Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$24 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #KC-9SB**

Nine Kentucky seasons in barrel shape dark toffee, orange zest and toasted nut over a robust, oak-framed spine; the close is cedar-dry. The palate reads powerful yet orderly, built for both rocks and neat service. Reinstating the age statement that defined its 1990s debut, this chapter reasserts Knob Creek’s identity—classic Beam rickhouse intensity expressed as length and structure rather than sweetness.

• **Knob Creek — ‘Small Batch’ (12 Year,s Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #KC-12SB**

Twelve Kentucky seasons across select Beam rickhouses turn the classic Knob Creek profile toward deeper vanilla, dark toffee and toasted nut over a robust, oak-framed spine; the finish runs cedar-dry. Texture reads powerful yet orderly, built for rocks or neat. As the age-stated step up from the 9-year, it shows the brand’s house idea in longer form—maturity expressed as structure and length rather than sweetness.

• **Knob Creek — Kentucky Straight Rye (7 Years) — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #KC-RYE7**

A **Kentucky-style rye** with a meaningful corn component rests seven years, yielding mint, orange oil and cocoa over a firm, grain-sweet core; oak keeps the exit neat and dry. The feel is taut, not sharp—spice integrated rather than jutting. As the age-stated chapter of Knob Creek rye, it contrasts the 95/5 school with a rounder, oak-forward voice rooted in Beam traditions.

• **Knob Creek — 18 Years (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$89 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #KC-18**

Extra-aged parcels are composed for depth without syrup—date cake, walnut and polished spice ride a dense, wax-tipped palate, the finale tea-leaf dry. Water teases out vanilla and cedar. As the pinnacle of the line, the 18 frames Beam rickhouse age as quiet authority: tannin managed, sweetness restrained, the brand’s brawny signature translated into poise.

• **Knob Creek 10 Years Straight Rye — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Knob Creek 25th Anniversary Single Barrel — \$117— 121.6 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Knob Creek 21 year straight bourbon — \$93— 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Knob Creek 2001 Limited Edition Batch 1 — \$137 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Knob Creek 2001 Limited Edition Batch 2 — \$137 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Knob Creek 2001 Limited Edition Batch 3 — \$137 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Larceny — Small Batch (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #LRC-SB**

Heaven Hill’s **wheated recipe** is batched for honeyed grain, caramel and baking spice over a supple mid-palate; oak tidies the finish clean and dry. Texture favors glide over heft. As the

everyday link to the Old Fitzgerald wheated lineage, Larceny sets the house's softer register—approachable without turning sweet, a counterpoint to rye-spiked Kentucky styles.

• **Larceny Barrel Proof Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$29 — 125.4 proof / 62.7% ABV**

• **Legent — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #LEG-BASE**

Kentucky straight bourbon with a portion rested in red-wine and sherry casks before final blending, shaped jointly by Fred Noe and Shinji Fukuyo for lift and poise; expect red-berry warmth, almond toffee and gentle baking spice over a clean, oak-trim finish. As an East–West collaboration, it threads classic Beam bourbon through Suntory's blending lens—bourbon identity, Japanese precision.

• **Legent Yamazaki Cask Finish Blend — \$83 — 114 proof / 57% ABV**

Starting as a Kentucky Straight Bourbon, this release is finished at the Suntory Yamazaki Distillery in Japan, this spirit was first aged in American oak for 8 years, shipped to Japan and finished in French wine-casks, Spanish sherry-oak casks and even ex-Yamazaki casks. A sweet, peppery nose and caramel, dark fruit, cinnamon spice and vanilla-oak richness on the palate represent Yamazaki's craft techniques amplifying a stellar bourbon.

• **Little Book — Chapter 9 'None for Granted' (2025) — \$70 — 121.8 proof / 60.9% ABV — #LB-CH9-2025**

Five whiskeys—11-year bourbon; 8-year rye; 8-, 7-, and 7-year bourbons—are blended uncut and unfiltered, with components including extended-fermentation bourbon and a brown-rice bourbon stream, yielding brown sweets, vanilla and big oak carried on a long, dry line. Freddie Noe frames this chapter as a return to 'founding flavors,' linking Beam experimentation to bonded-era hallmarks.

• **Little Book Chapter 1 — \$120 — 128.2 proof / 64.1% ABV**

• **Little Book Chapter 2 — \$89 — 118.8 proof / 5009.4% ABV**

• **Little Book Chapter 3 — \$87 — 122.6 / 61.3% ABV**

• **Little Book Chapter 7 — \$83 — 118.1 proof / 59.05% ABV**

• **Little Book Chapter 8 — \$79 — 119.2 proof / 59.6% ABV**

• **Little Book The Infinite I — \$81 — 119.3 proof / 59.65% ABV**

• **Little Book The Infinite II — \$73 — 120.4 proof / 60.2% ABV**

• **Lost Lantern 'McCarthy's' 10 Years American Single Malt — \$48 — 118.6 proof / 59.3% ABV**

• **Lock Stock and Barrel 13 Years Straight Rye Whiskey — \$118 — 101.3 proof / 50.65% ABV**

• **Lock Stock and Barrel 20 Years Straight Rye Whiskey — \$187 — 112 proof / 56% ABV**

- **Lucky Seven ‘The Proprietor’ 14 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$58 — 125.9 proof / 62.95% ABV**

- **Maker’s Mark — ‘Cask Strength’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 109.4 proof / 54.7% ABV — #MM-CS1094**

Fully matured Maker’s is married and **bottled uncut**, concentrating caramelized corn, baked apple and cinnamon over a dense, oil-satin palate; a dash of water teases out vanilla and tea-leaf dryness. The power reads shaped, not hot. As the high-definition chapter of this wheated house style, Cask Strength shows how proof can amplify Maker’s clarity and length without resorting to finishes or heavy sweetness.

- **Maker’s Private Selection ‘Black Bourbon Society’ — \$45 — 110.5 proof / 55.25% ABV**

- **Maker’s Private Selection ‘Citrus Bomb’ — \$43 — 108.6 proof / 54.3% ABV**

- **Maker’s The Heart Release 2024 — \$32 — 111.7 proof / 55.85% ABV**

- **Maker’s 2024 Distillery Exclusive — \$43 — 108.3 proof / 54.15% ABV**

- **Maker’s Cellar Aged 2024 — \$87 — 119.3 proof / 59.65% ABV**

- **Maker’s Cellar Aged 2025 — \$87 — 112.9 proof / 56.45% ABV**

- **Maker’s The Stewards Release 2025 — \$33 — 109.2 proof / 54.6% ABV**

- **Maker’s The Stewards Release 2026 — \$33 — 109.8 proof / 54.9% ABV**

- **Maker’s Mark — ‘46’ (French-Oaked Finish) — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #MM-46**

Core bourbon is finished with **ten seared virgin French-oak staves** per barrel (Independent Stave Co.’s **Profile 46**), a cooler-cellar phase that pivots the palate toward cocoa, baking-spice warmth and silkier texture while keeping the exit dry. The effect is width, not sugar. Debuting in 2010 as the brand’s **first permanent line extension**, 46 reframed Maker’s signature wheated profile through precise French-oak architecture.

- **Maker’s Mark — ‘46 Cask Strength’ (French-Oaked Finish) — \$25 — 110.6 proof / 55.3% ABV — #MM-46CS**

The **Profile 46** French-oak stave finish is presented **uncut**, delivering darker chocolate, roasted hazelnut and spice on a firm, oak-laced line; a touch of water opens vanilla and orange oil while the finale stays cedar-dry. It’s the same architectural idea as 46, rendered in high resolution. As a bolder riff on the first line extension, this release lets the stave program speak at natural intensity.

- **Maker’s Mark — Wood Finishing Series: The Keepers Release (2025) — \$49 — 109.2 / 54.6% ABV proof — #MM-WFS25K**

This limited 2025 chapter employs a **bespoke stave recipe**—toast-forward, fine-grained oak—applied to fully matured Maker’s and finished in the limestone cellar to accent chocolate, roasted nut and baking-spice lift while keeping the exit clean and dry. The idea is architecture, not sugar: finishing used to contour a wheated backbone. It marks an evolution of the series, honoring the brand’s stewardship of precise wood treatment.

• **Maker's Mark — New York Knicks Edition — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #MM-NYK**

The classic wheated bourbon receives a **commemorative New York release**, unchanged in build: long-seasoned American oak, low entry proof and patient warehouse rest shape caramel, cherry and polished spice on a supple line, the finish neat and dry. This bottle situates Maker's in a specific cultural moment—local pride wrapped around a house style built on balance rather than brawn.

• **McKenzie 100 proof 6 Years Empire Rye (Bottled-In-Bond) — \$25 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Michter's — US-1 'Original Sour Mash' — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MCH-US1SM**

A proprietary grain bill that straddles bourbon and rye is laid into toasted-then-charred new barrels at low entry proof, then matured in heat-cycled warehouses to build depth without heaviness; the palate reads honeyed grain, stone fruit and polished spice, ending clean and dry. Reintroduced as part of Michter's modern era, it rekindles the historic 'sour mash' identity as a house signature of precision and poise.

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Bourbon; Limited Release) Barrel № 23A0087 — \$95 — 94.4 proof / 47.2% ABV**

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Bourbon; Limited Release) Barrel № 23E1892 — \$95 — 94.4 proof / 47.2% ABV**

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Bourbon; Limited Release) Barrel № 24A0351 — \$95 — 94.4 proof / 47.2% ABV**

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Bourbon; Limited Release) Barrel № 21h2289 — \$95 — 94.4 proof / 47.2% ABV**

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Bourbon; Limited Release) Barrel № 25F2123 — \$95 — 94.4 proof / 47.2% ABV**

• **Michter's 20 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon Limited Edition — \$675 — 114.2 proof / 57.1% ABV barrel no 21I2610**

• **Michter's — US-1 'Unblended American Whiskey' (Small Batch) — \$23 — 83.4 proof / 44.7% ABV — #MCH-UNBL**

Matured in used bourbon barrels—not new charred oak—this whiskey avoids any neutral-grain blending, letting seasoned wood shape honeyed grain, cocoa and orange-oil lift on a clean, dry finish. Barrels are toasted then charred before their first life and re-used here, while heat-cycled warehouses and low entry proof preserve texture. As a house cornerstone, it shows Michter's precision outside the bourbon rulebook—purity of grain guided by second-fill nuance.

• **Michter's — US-1 Small Batch (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 91.4 proof / 45.7% ABV — #MCH-US1B**

Small batches are built from toasted-then-charred American white oak, filled at low barrel entry proof and matured in heat-cycled warehouses, favoring depth without heaviness. Expect caramel, citrus peel and polished spice on a poised, grain-sweet line with a tea-leaf-dry close.

Michter's core bourbon, it expresses the revival ethos, meticulous wood prep and careful batching translating classic Kentucky cues into a modern, quietly rich style.

• **Michter's — US-1 Small Batch (Kentucky Straight Rye, Single Barrel) — \$20 — 84.8 proof / 42.4% ABV — #MCH-US1R-SB**

Each **single barrel** of straight rye is laid into **toasted-then-charred oak** at **low entry proof** and matured in **heat-cycled** warehouses, yielding mint, cocoa and pepper over a sleek, grain-led spine; the finish stays trim and dry. Barrel individuality is the point. Within Michter's lineup, this rye channels a classic Kentucky profile—spice rendered silky and integrated rather than jagged.

• **Michter's — 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Rye; Limited Release) 22E1669 — \$75 — 92.8 proof / 46.4% ABV — #MCH-10RYE**

A decade in **toasted-then-charred** American oak under **heat-cycled** conditions shapes dark honey, black tea and orange-zest brightness around a firm, oak-laced frame; length is composed, not sweet. Bottled from **individual barrels**, this annual release spotlights Michter's long-resting rye stocks—an age statement used for quiet authority, tying the brand's pre-revival roots to its present wood-science rigor.

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Rye; Limited Release) Barrel 25D1141 — \$75 — 92.8 proof / 46.4% ABV**

• **Michter's 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Rye; Limited Release) Barrel 23C0816 — \$75 — 92.8 — 46.4 proof / 46.4% ABV**

• **Michter's — Barrel Strength (Kentucky Straight Rye; Limited Release) — \$47 — 109.2 proof — 54.6% ABV — #MCH-BSRYE-1092**

Selected **single barrels** are bottled at **natural strength**, concentrating rye's mint-pepper line, cocoa and roasted-nut depth over an oil-satin palate; a touch of water teases out vanilla and tea-leaf dryness. No finishing—just entry proof, toast/char regime and warehouse practice speaking plainly. As the high-definition rye in the range, it shows Michter's precision amplified rather than heated.

• **Michter's — US-1 Small Batch (Kentucky Straight Rye, Single Barrel) — \$23 — 84.8 proof / 42.4% ABV — #MCH-US1R-SB**

Bottled from **individual barrels**—toasted before charring, filled low, and rested through **winter heat cycles**—this rye reads spearmint, baking cocoa and pepper over a sleek, grain-led spine; the finish stays brisk and tea-leaf dry. Barrel individuality brings subtle shifts in spice and sweetness. As Michter's core rye in single-barrel form, it channels a classic Kentucky rye cadence: integrated spice, clean structure, no ornament.

• **Michter's — 10 Years Single Barrel (Kentucky Straight Rye; Limited Release) Barrel 26C0682 — \$75 — 92.8 proof / 46.4% ABV — #MCH-10RYE**

After a **decade of seasonal cycles** in toasted-then-charred American oak, each cask is bottled on its own, yielding dark honey, black-tea dryness and orange-zest lift over a composed, oak-laced line. Power shows as length, not heat. As an annual single-barrel release, it connects Michter's long-resting rye stocks to the brand's meticulous maturation ethos—age deployed for focus rather than sweetness.

• **Michter's — Barrel Strength (Kentucky Straight Rye; Limited Release) — \$47 — 112.8 proof / 56.4% ABV — #MCH-BSRYE-1128**

Drawn from individual barrels and bottled uncut, this rye channels Michter's low-entry approach and toast-before-char cooperage into a concentrated, grain-first voice, with mint oils, cacao and cedar pacing a long, dry line; a touch of water unveils orange peel and walnut. Issued as an annual single-barrel chapter, it's a high-definition readout of the house maturation ethos—power articulated as length, not heat.

• **Michter's — Toasted Barrel Finish (Kentucky Sour Mash; Limited Release) — \$39 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #MCH-TST-SM**

Core Sour Mash whiskey is re-racked into **custom toasted (not charred) barrels**, a second maturation that widens texture and layers marshmallow, almond toffee and baking spice over a tidy, oak-trim frame. The finish stays composed and dry. As the toast-led sibling in Michter's wood program, it helped popularize finishing that sculpts structure rather than sweetness—cooperage and heat-cycle practice used as fine tools.

• **Noah's Mill — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 114.3 proof / 57.15% ABV — #NMS-1143**

Selected mature Kentucky barrels are batched at a robust house strength for dark toffee, pecan and citrus-pith lift over a dense, wax-tipped palate; the close runs cedar-dry. No finishing—just rickhouse selection and proof giving voice to seasoned oak. As a long-standing Bardstown small-batch, Noah's Mill carries Willett's revival era into the glass, favoring concentration and line over sugar.

• **New York Distilling — Single barrel Jaywalk Heirloom Rye — \$45 — 116 proof / 58% ABV**

• **Nulu — 'Maple Brûlée' (7 Year Straight Bourbon) — \$33 — 114.8 proof / 57.4% ABV — #NULU-MB7**

Seven-year Kentucky bourbon is re-racked into **maple-seasoned barrels**, a short finish that rounds the edges and layers crème brûlée, roasted pecan and cocoa over a firm, grain-sweet spine; the exit stays neat and dry. Texture widens without turning syrupy. As a dessert-tilted chapter in Nulu's finish program, it shows how pastry-like sweetness can be sketched by cask choice rather than added sugar, keeping the core bourbon voice intact.

• **Old Bardstown — 'Estate Bottled' (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV — #OB-EST**

Batches drawn from the Bardstown campus are married for lift and line—caramel, orange peel and clove over a steady oak frame, the finish tea-leaf dry. No finishing, just patient new-oak maturation. Revived under the Willett family, the **Estate Bottled** designation ties this label to a single site and a local lineage, a quiet return of a Bardstown name that predates the craft renaissance.

• **Old Fitzgerald — 7 Year (Bottled-in-Bond; Wheated Bourbon) — \$29 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #OFZ-7BIB**

From Heaven Hill's wheated stocks, a single distilling season rests seven Kentucky years before bottling in bond, showing toffee, baked apple and gentle spice over a poised, oak-laced line; the finale stays tidy and dry. Issued in the decanter-era tradition, this chapter connects the

Old Fitzgerald name to a modern BIB standard—wheated elegance expressed through time, season, and rigorous labeling.

• **Old Charter Oak KSB canadian Oak Aged — \$97 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

• **Old Charter Oak KSB french Oak Aged — \$97 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

• **Old charter Oak KSB chinkapin Oak Aged — \$97 — 93 proof / 46% ABV**

• **Old Fitzgerald 9 Years Bottled in Bond Wheated Bourbon — \$56 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Old Fitzgerald 13 Years bottled in Bond wheated bourbon — \$113 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Old Fashioned Copper 1990 — \$600/\$1,200 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Old Forester — ‘1870 Original Batch’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #OF-1870**

Parcels are selected from multiple warehouses and **batched to echo George Garvin Brown’s 1870 practice** of blending from several sources, giving citrus-tinged caramel, cola spice and vanilla over a mid-weight frame; oak reins the finish dry. As the opening note in the Whiskey Row series, it situates Old Forester’s ‘first bottled bourbon’ heritage as method—balance achieved by deliberate batching rather than finishing or high proof.

• **Old Forester — ‘1897 Bottled in Bond’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #OF-1897**

From a single distilling season and matured in Old Forester’s heat-cycled warehouses, this bond-standard batch shows citrus-tinged caramel, clove and tidy oak along a firm, grain-sweet line. Texture reads poised rather than heavy, with a tea-leaf-dry close. As the Whiskey Row chapter honoring the Bottled-in-Bond Act, it ties the brand’s early bottling legacy to a rigorously defined modern benchmark.

• **Old Forrester 1924 10 Years — \$47 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 1999 — \$232 — 98 proof / 49% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2002 — \$197 — 97 proof / 48.5% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2004 — \$180 — 97 proof / 48.5% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2005 — \$175 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2006 — \$175 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 11 Years Birthday Bourbon 2008 — \$175 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 10 Years Birthday Bourbon 2010 — \$175 — 98 proof / 49% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2009 — \$175— 104 proof / 52% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 11 Years Birthday Bourbon 2011 — \$175 — 96 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2012 — \$175 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Old Forrester 12 Years Birthday Bourbon 2013 — \$175 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

• **Old Forester — ‘1910 Old Fine’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 93 proof / 46.75% ABV — #OF-1910**

Fully matured bourbon is rebarreled into a heavily charred second new oak cask, a practice that deepens cocoa, brûléed sugars and spice while keeping the finish neat and dry. The extra char widens texture without turning sweet. Named for the 1910 bottling-line fire that prompted rebarreling, it revives a house solution from that year and defines Old Forester’s modern double-barrel style.

• **Old Forester — ‘1920 Prohibition Style’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 115 proof / 47.5% ABV — #OF-1920**

Composed to echo the distillery’s medicinal-whiskey era, this robust batch runs dark fruit, chocolate and polished oak on a dense, balanced frame; the exit stays cedar-dry. Power shows as length, not heat. As the Whiskey Row chapter nodding to Prohibition, it channels Brown-Forman’s survival years into a distinctive, higher-intensity take on the house voice.

• **Old Forester — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #OF-86**

Batches are married for clarity over brawn—vanilla bean, orange oil and gentle baking spice carried on a clean, grain-led line; oak reins the finish trim and dry. The feel is easy yet precise. As the everyday pillar of Old Forester, it presents the brand’s historic bottled-bourbon identity in its most versatile register, built for both cocktails and neat service.

• **Old Forester — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #OF-100**

Selected parcels are blended to a confident house strength, giving caramel, citrus peel and clove over a taut, oak-framed spine; the close is tea-leaf dry. Texture reads powerful but orderly. Long favored by bartenders, this ‘signature’ expression illustrates Old Forester’s core idea at higher intensity—warehouse truth and balanced structure without finishes or embellishment.

• **Old Forester — Kentucky Straight Rye — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #OF-RYE100**

Built on a distinctive rye recipe that leans hard on rye and malted barley with only a modest corn share, this release channels citrus peel, mint and cocoa over a taut, grain-led line; oak reins the finish dry. Introduced as the modern return of rye to Old Forester’s portfolio, it reframes the house’s heat-cycled warehouse style in a spicier register while staying precise and cocktail-friendly.

• **Old Grand-Dad — ‘114’ (4 Years, Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 114 proof / 45% ABV — #OGD-114**

Batched to 114 proof from Beam’s high-rye mashbill long associated with the Basil Hayden lineage, this pours orange oil, cinnamon and toasted nut over a dense, oak-laced spine; a splash of water reveals cocoa and tea-leaf dryness. It’s the brawny sibling in the OGD line—proof used for line and length, not heat—carrying a pre-Prohibition family recipe into modern bar culture.

• **Old Grand-Dad — 16 Years ‘High Rye Mashbill’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$64 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #OGD-16HR**

Extra-mature parcels of Beam’s **high-rye** bourbon rest sixteen seasons, then bottle to a measured house strength, trading syrup for composed depth—dark toffee, orange oil and polished spice over a wax-tipped palate; the close stays tea-leaf dry. Age here reads as calm authority rather than tannin. As a rare long-aged chapter for OGD, it stretches the Basil Hayden line into elegant, oak-forward territory while keeping the family profile intact.

• **Old Overholt — Straight Rye — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV — #OO-RYE80**

Kentucky-matured straight rye from one of America’s longest-running rye labels, composed for clarity and snap rather than sweetness. New charred oak brings pepper, cocoa husk and citrus-peel lift over a lean, grain-forward line, the finish trim and dry. Born in Pennsylvania and carried forward under Beam stewardship, Overholt’s core bottle keeps the house style honest: rye first, oak as frame, no finishing flourishes.

• **Old Overholt — 10 Years (2023 Cask Strength) — \$37 — 121 proof / 60.5% ABV — #OO-10CS23**

A decade in new charred oak, then bottled straight from selected barrels to preserve a taut, tea-leaf-dry profile: mint, clove and orange oils ride a firm rye spine with polished oak length. Issued as a modern age-stated chapter for Overholt, this 2023 release repositions the heritage label at the connoisseur’s table—mature Kentucky rye focused on structure and line rather than added cask influence.

• **Old Overholt — 11 Years (2024 Cask Strength) — \$33 — 107.4 proof / 53.7% ABV — #OO-11CS24**

Handpicked barrels rest eleven seasons before bottling at natural strength, yielding darker honey, black-tea dryness and cinnamon-cedar poise on a long, disciplined finish. The feel is composed rather than hot. As the follow-on to the 10-year, this 2024 chapter signals Overholt’s renewed commitment to age-stated rye—an annual lens on the brand’s Kentucky warehouses that complements its centuries-deep Pennsylvania-born identity.

• **Old Pepper — Straight Bourbon (Toasted Kentucky Oak Stave Finish) — \$27 — 102.6 proof / 51.3% ABV — #OP-TOAST**

After primary maturation in new charred oak, select barrels are finished on toasted Kentucky oak staves, widening texture and layering almond toffee, cocoa and gentle baking spice around a steady caramel core; the close stays neat and dry. Revived at the historic James E. Pepper site in Lexington, this release frames the distillery’s modern era through woodcraft—local oak used as architecture, not sugar.

• **Old Settler — ‘Camp #2 Blend’ (6 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #OS-C2-6**

Six Kentucky seasons in new char yield a small-batch blend built for balance—caramel corn, orange oil and clove over a mid-weight, oak-trimmed line, the finish tidy and dry. ‘Camp #2’ marks a house practice of grouping compatible parcels into named blends, giving each batch a clear identity. It’s a curator’s approach to Kentucky bourbon: selection, proof and restraint doing the talking.

• **Orphan Barrel Barterhouse 20 Years Kentucky Bourbon — \$165 — 90.2 proof / 45.1% ABV**

• Orphan Barrel Copper Tongue 16 Years Straight Bourbon — \$98 — 89.8 proof / 44.95% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Fable and Folly 14 Years whiskey — \$76 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Fanged Pursuit 17 Years KSB — \$69 — 92 proof / 46% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Forged Oak 15 Years Cask strength Bourbon — \$89 — 90.5 proof / 45.25% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Gifted Horse American Whiskey — \$83 — 115 proof / 57.5% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Indigo's Hour Straight Bourbon — \$79 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Lost Prophet 22 Years KSB — \$230 — 90.1 proof / 45.5% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Scarlett Shade 14 Years Straight Rye — \$78 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Rhetoric 20 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$189 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Rhetoric 21 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$195 — 90.2 proof / 45.1% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Rhetoric 22 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$203 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Rhetoric 23 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$215 — 90.6 proof / 45.3% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Rhetoric 24 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$219 — 90.8 proof / 45.4% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Rhetoric 25 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$250 — 91 proof / 45.5% ABV

• Orphan Barrel Whoop and Holler American Whiskey 28 Years — \$345 — 84 proof / 42% ABV

• Parker's 24 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon Bottled in Bond — \$435 — 100 proof / 50% ABV

• Parker's 10 Years Kentucky Straight Rye — \$167 — 128.8 proof / 64.4% ABV

• Parker's Kentucky Straight Bourbon 'Promise of Hope' — \$278 — 96 proof / 48% ABV

• Parker's 8 Years Kentucky Straight Malt Whiskey — \$190 — 108 proof / 54% ABV

• Parker's Original Batch 13 Years Kentucky Straight Wheat Whiskey — \$178

— 126.8 proof / 63.4% ABV

• **Parker's 11 Years Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$163 — 122 proof / 61% ABV**

• **Parker's Kentucky Straight Bourbon Orange Curaçao Cask Finish — \$120 — 110 proof / 60% ABV**

• **Parker's 8 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Heavy Char Barrels — \$112 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV**

• **Parker's Kentucky Straight Bourbon Double Barrel Blend — \$112 — 132.2 proof / 66.1% ABV**

• **Parker's 27 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$457 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **Parker's 14 Years Kentucky Straight Malt Whiskey Finished in Reconstructed Heavy Toast Cognac Barrels — \$154 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Parker's 10 Years Kentucky Straight Wheated Bourbon — \$189 — 124.2 proof / 62.1% ABV**

• **Parker's Kentucky Straight Bourbon 'Master Distillers Blend of Mash Bills' — \$213 — 133.2 proof / 66.6% ABV**

• **Parker's 10 Years Kentucky Straight Bourbon Cognac Barrel Finish — \$199 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Parker's 11 Years Kentucky Straight Whiskey — \$167 — 122.5 proof / 61.25% ABV**

• **Peg Leg Porker — Limited Edition Tennessee Rye (8 Year) — \$27 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV — #PLP-RYE8** Eight Tennessee seasons in new charred oak give mint oil, cocoa husk and baking-spice lift over a lean, grain-first mid-palate; oak reins the finish tea-leaf dry. The profile favors line and snap rather than sweetness. Founded by Nashville pitmaster Carey Bringle, Peg Leg Porker extends its bourbon story into rye here—an age-stated, limited release that slots a spicier register into the brand's Tennessee lineage.

• **Penelope — 'Architect' (French Oak Stave Finish) — \$22 — 104 proof / 52% ABV — #PEN-ARCH**

Straight bourbon completes its path on **French oak staves from Tonnellerie Radoux**, selected via the cooperage's stave-profiling program to tune toast and grain; the finish layers cocoa, vanilla custard and gentle baking spice around a caramel core while keeping the exit clean and dry. Texture widens, not sweetens. As a coopering-led chapter for Penelope, Architect makes the barrel maker a co-author of the house blend.

• **Penelope Valencia Straight Bourbon Vino de Naranja — \$34 — 97 proof / 48.5% ABV**

• **Penelope Marshmallow Toast Straight Bourbon — \$36 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **Penelope Straight Rye Tokaji Wine Cask Finish — \$35 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

• **Pikesville — Straight Rye (6 Year) — \$23 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #PKSV-6**

Rested six Kentucky seasons in new charred oak, this rye shows citrus peel, mint and dark chocolate over a taut, grain-driven line; the finale is brisk and cedar-dry. Power reads as length, not heat. Reviving a pre-Prohibition **Maryland-born** label under Heaven Hill stewardship, Pikesville sets a higher-proof, age-stated benchmark—classic rye structure rendered with modern Kentucky poise.

• **Pure Kentucky — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV — #PUREKY-107**

Small batches are assembled for line and lift—caramel corn, orange oil and clove over a steady oak frame, the exit neat and dry. Long bottled under the **Willett/Bardstown** stewardship, Pure Kentucky carries a 1990s small-batch tradition into the present: classic Kentucky cadence, no finishing, proof used for structure rather than heat.

• **Pure Antique Straight Bourbon 20 year — \$320 — 118.6 proof / 59.3%**

• **Rare Character Single Barrel Series Edition 1 Brooklyn Bridge — \$165 — 118.06 proof / 59.03% ABV**

• **Rare Character Single Barrel Series New York Edition VI — \$71 — 121.82 proof / 60.91% ABV**

• **Rare Character Single Barrel Series New York Edition VII — \$73 — 117.66 proof / 58.83% ABV**

• **Rare Character Limited Release Batch No. 1 Rye — \$45 — 118.94 proof / 58.47% ABV**

• **Rare Character Limited Release Batch No. 1 Straight Bourbon — \$52 — 119.56 proof / 59.78% ABV**

• **Rare Character Limited Release Batch No. 2 Kentucky Straight Whiskey — \$49 — 139.8 proof / 69.9% ABV**

• **Rare Character Limited Release Batch No. 8 Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$51 — 121.8 proof / 60.9% ABV**

• **Rare Character Brook Hill Single Barrel 12 year Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$216 — 154.24 proof / 77.12% ABV**

• **Rare Character Brook Hill Single Barrel 15 year Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$199 — 111.46 proof / 55.73% ABV**

• **Rare Character Brook Hill Single Barrel 15 Years Straight Rye — \$198 — 114.46 proof / 57.23% ABV**

• **Rare Hare Bourbon 17 Years 1953 XXO Cognac Cask Finish — \$211 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV**

• **Resilient 17 Years Tawny Port Finish Straight Bourbon — \$67 — 116.07 proof / 58.04% ABV**

• **Resilient 17 Years Oloroso Sherry Butt Finish Straight Bourbon — \$67 — 120.48 proof / 60.24% ABV**

• **Rittenhouse very rare 23 Years Single Barrel Straight Rye — \$890 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Redemption — Wheated Bourbon (Indiana) — \$23 — 96 proof — #RD-WB**

High-wheat Indiana bourbon is married in small batches to emphasize glide over heft—honeyed grain, baked apple and gentle spice ride a supple mid-palate, with oak keeping the exit tidy and dry. The profile reads generous but not sweet. For a brand best known for rye, this release broadens Redemption's palate, framing Lawrenceburg's wheated recipe as a softer counterpoint in its portfolio.

• **Redemption Straight Bourbon Cognac Cask Finish — \$24 — 99 Proof / 49.5% ABV**

• **Rowan's Creek — Small Batch (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 100.1 proof / 50.05% ABV — #RW-1001**

Select Kentucky parcels are blended for line and lift—caramel, orange oil and toasted nut over a composed, grain-sweet spine; oak reins the finish clean and dry. Texture favors balance rather than brawn. Long a Bardstown calling card, Rowan's Creek stands with Noah's Mill as a bridge from Willett's revival-era small batches to today's broader house identity—classic, unfussy, no finishing.

• **Russell's Reserve — 10 Year (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #RR-10**

A decade in #4 alligator-char barrels filled at Wild Turkey's traditionally lower entry proof yields vanilla cream, citrus peel and baking-spice poise on a calm, oak-trim frame; the close stays tea-leaf dry. As the age-stated cornerstone from **Jimmy and Eddie Russell**, it distills the Lawrenceburg rickhouse voice into an approachable benchmark—house character expressed as balance, not bulk.

• **Russell's Reserve — Single Barrel 'Ice Ice Flavie' (Brandy Library & Drammers Club Pick) — \$31 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #RR-SB-IIF**

One cask chosen by your team is bottled non-chill-filtered at a robust house strength, trading uniformity for specificity—deep toffee, orange zest and cedar-spice ride a dense, steady line; water teases cocoa and tea-leaf dryness. Private selections like this put the Russells' single-barrel program in guests' hands, a single-rickhouse lens on Wild Turkey's voice named for the night it was picked.

• **Russell's Reserve — Single Barrel 'Mr. Tea' (Brandy Library & Drammers Club Pick) — \$31 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #RR-SB-MT**

A single Wild Turkey cask bottled **non-chill-filtered** at robust house strength, this pick threads deep toffee and orange-oil lift through an oak-tight line; a splash of water coaxes cocoa and black-tea dryness. Private selections spotlight rickhouse nuance one barrel at a time. As a guest-curated chapter, 'Mr Tea' lets your team's palate frame the Russells' low-entry-proof, #4-char style with precision and poise.

• **Russell's Reserve — Single Barrel 'Flavie Flav' (Brandy Library & Drammers Club Pick) — \$31 — 110 proof / 55% ABV — #RR-SB-FF**

Bottled from one cask with **no chill-filtration**, the whiskey carries caramelized sugars, citrus peel and cedar spice on a dense, orderly frame; dilution unveils vanilla and tea-leaf dryness. Single-barrel specificity is the point—one warehouse voice, unblended. Tied to **Jimmy and Eddie Russell's** selection program, this pick reads as a focused lens on Wild Turkey's lower-entry-proof, alligator-char identity.

• **Russell's Reserve — 13 Year (2024 Limited Release; Barrel Proof) — \$69 — 114.8 proof / 57.4% ABV — #RR-13-2024**

Thirteen Kentucky seasons in #4 alligator-char new oak, then bottled at natural strength and **non-chill-filtered**, give dark toffee, orange zest and polished spice over a long, tea-leaf-dry finish. Power shows as length, not heat. Positioned by **Jimmy and Eddie Russell** as the modern pinnacle of the line, this annual barrel-proof release presents prime Lawrenceburg rickhouse character without finish or ornament.

• **Russell's Reserve — 15 Year (2024 Limited Release; Barrel Proof) — \$98 — 117.2 proof / 58.6% ABV — #RR-15-2024**

Extra-mature parcels are composed at natural strength to balance walnut, cocoa and citrus-pith lift over a wax-tipped palate; the exit stays cedar-dry. It reads deeper than the 13 yet keeps the Wild Turkey line taut and unsweet. As the inaugural 15-year chapter, it extends the Russell family's age-statement arc—time and #4 char translating into quiet authority rather than syrup.

• **Sazerac — Straight Rye — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #SAZ-RYE**

Matured in new charred oak and bottled to emphasize clarity and line, this rye carries orange zest, clove and cocoa over a sleek, grain-sweet spine, the finish tidy and dry. It's the namesake whiskey behind New Orleans' Sazerac cocktail, anchoring the spirit's 19th-century barroom lineage. Within Buffalo Trace's portfolio, it stands as the approachable gateway that helped spark rye's modern resurgence.

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Summer 2019 — \$480 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Fall 2005 — \$550/\$1,100 – 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Summer 2020 — \$480 – 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Summer 2021 — \$456 – 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Fall 2024 — \$423 – 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Fall 2022 — \$423 – 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Sazerac 18 Years Kentucky Straight Rye Whiskey Fall 2023 — \$423 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye 2006 — \$230 — 132.7 proof / 66.35% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye — \$230 — 25.7 proof / 62.85% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye — \$230 — 127.5 proof / 63.75% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye — \$230 — 129 proof / 64.5% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye— \$230 — 127.2 proof / 63.6% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye — \$230 — 130.9 proof / 65.45% ABV**

• **Thomas H. Handy Barrel Proof Straight Rye — \$230 — 124.9 proof / % ABV**

• **Shenk's — 2022 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$47 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV — #SHNK-2022**

Sour-mash distillate matured primarily in new charred oak is joined by parcels aged in **Chinquapin oak** (*Quercus muehlenbergii*) barrels—air-dried and deeply toasted—adding warm spice, honeyed grain and a firmer tannic frame to the house profile. The palate reads layered yet precise. As an annual recipe that evolves, the 2022 chapter marks Shenk's embrace of Chinquapin as a defining wood accent, linking modern cooperage choices to one of Kentucky's oldest whiskey names.

• **Shenk's — 2023 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$47 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV — #SHNK-2023**

Built on sour-mash distillate matured in new charred oak with a meaningful share of **Chinquapin oak** casks—air-seasoned and deeply toasted—the 2023 chapter leans into warm spice, honeyed grain and a firmer, tea-leaf-dry frame. Texture reads layered rather than sweet. As Shenk's evolving annual, it consolidates the cooperage path opened in earlier years, showing how alternative American oak can reshape a classic Kentucky profile without leaving the house style behind.

• **Shenk's — 2025 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$43 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV — #SHNK-2025**

This installment continues the **Chinquapin-led** cooperage program alongside carefully selected new American oak, marrying seasoned-wood spice to a supple, grain-first palate; oak guides a long, composed close. The voice is confident but not heavy. As the current arc of Shenk's annual series, 2025 reads like a mature statement of intent—house fermentation and low-entry approach framed by American oak beyond the usual playbook.

• **Shenk's — 2019 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$67 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV**

• **Shenk's — 2020 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$67 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV**

• **Shenk's — 2021 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$57 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV**

• **Shenk's — 2026 Release (Kentucky Sour Mash Whiskey) — \$43 — 91.2 proof / 46.6% ABV**

• **Starlight — Huber's Cigar Batch (4.5 Year Bourbon; Amburana Finish) — \$29 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV — #STAR-CIGAR**

Fully matured bourbon is laid into Brazilian amburana for a finishing phase, the exotic wood lending honey-cake spice, cinnamon and cedar to a caramel-corn core; the exit is tidy and dry. Texture widens rather than sweetens. From the Huber family's farm-and-vineyard distillery, Cigar Batch helped popularize amburana finishing in American whiskey—an intentional, aromatic style built to play with robust flavors without masking the grain.

• **Starlight Carl T. Huber's Mizunara Reserve Small Batch — \$49 — 116 proof / 58% ABV**

• **Starlight 10 Years Bourbon — \$82 — 120.3 proof / 60.02% ABV**

• **Starlight Mizunara Reserve Small Batch — \$45 — 112 proof / 56.15% ABV**

• **That Boutique-y Whisky Company 24 YearS Bourbon Whiskey #1 — \$82 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **The Senator 'Proof & Wood Selection' — \$23 — 116.1 proof / 58.05% ABV**

• **Stranahan's — Colorado 'Rocky Mountains' Whiskey (2 Years; American Single Malt) — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #STR-CO2**

All-malted-barley spirit is pot-distilled and matured in new toasted-and-charred American oak for two high-altitude Colorado seasons, yielding roasted barley, caramel and orange-peel lift over a clean, oak-trim line; the finish stays brisk and dry. The feel is energetic, not sweet. As one of the early flag-bearers for American single malt, Stranahan's shows how mountain climate and new oak can shape malt into a distinctly U.S. register.

• **Templeton Small Batch Rye — \$26 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

• **Ten High Straight Sour Mash Bourbon — \$23 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

• **Thomas S. Moore Cognac Cask Finish — \$37 — 93.4 proof / 46.7% ABV**

• **Thomas S. Moore Chardonnay Cask Finish — \$37 — 97.9 proof / 48.95% ABV**

• **Thomas S. Moore Cabernet Sauvignon Cask Finish — \$37 — 95.3 proof / 47.65% ABV**

• **Thomas S. Moore Sherry Cask Finish — \$37 — 98.7 proof / 48.35% ABV**

• **Thomas S. Moore Port Cask Finish — \$37 — 98.9 proof / 49.45% ABV**

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- **Very Olde St Nick Superfreak 11+ Years Kentucky Bourbon — \$128 — 116.8 proof / 58.4% ABV**
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- **Vintage Bourbon 17 Years — \$346 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle 12 Years (L23 227 9:46) — \$139 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle 12 Years (L20 252 21:10) — \$139 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle 12 Years (L22 235 9:09) — \$139 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle 12 Years (L19 267 22:26) — \$139 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle 12 Years (B15 148 15:04) — \$139 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle 12 Years lot B without laser code (pre-2007) — \$257 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Van Winkle Family Reserve Rye — \$118 — 95.6 proof (L23 222 11:58) / 47.8% ABV**
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- **Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Years (without laser code) — \$212 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Years (L20 255 11:40) — \$112 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Years (L23 262 9:10) — \$112 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Years (B14 136 14:44) — \$112 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Years (L21 193 20:37) — \$112 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Old Rip Van Winkle 10 Years (L22 231 12:52) — \$112 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 20 Years (L23 221 7:52) — \$239 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 20 Years (B13 57 12:27) — \$239 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 20 Years (L19 270 7:24) — \$239 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 15 Years (B14 240 19:21) — \$169 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 15 Years (L23 257 14:49) — \$169 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 15 Years (L19 271 12:44) — \$169 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 15 Years (L22 238 19:49) — \$169 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
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- **Pappy Van Winkle 23 Years bottle (H111) — \$329 — 95.6 proof / 47.5% ABV**
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• Pappy Van Winkle 23 Years Bottle (O1733) — \$329 — 95.6 proof / 47.5% ABV

• Pappy Van Winkle 23 Years Bottle (N341) — \$329 — 95.6 proof / 47.5% ABV

• Pappy Van Winkle 23 Years Bottle (C488) — \$329 — 95.6 proof / 47.5% ABV

• Weller — ‘Special Reserve’ (Kentucky Straight Wheated Bourbon) — \$35 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #WELL-SR

Buffalo Trace’s wheated recipe is batched for glide over brawn—caramel, cherry and soft spice on a supple mid-palate; oak tidies the finish dry. No finishes, no flash, just the low-rye house idea rendered gentle. Historically tied to the **W.L. Weller** line that influenced modern wheated bourbon culture, Special Reserve is the approachable gateway to that lineage.

• Weller Full Proof — \$92 — 114 proof / 57% ABV

• Weller 12 Years — \$112 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• Weller C.Y.P.B. — \$156 — 95 proof / 47.5% ABV

• Weller Antique — \$43 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV

• Weller Single Barrel — \$67 — 97 proof / 48.5% ABV

• W.L. Weller 12 Years 2010’s — \$89 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• W.L. Weller Special Reserve 2010’s — \$85 — 90 proof / 45% ABV

• Old Weller ‘Original 107 Brand’ — \$89 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 124.7 proof / 62.35% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 125.7 proof / 62.85% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 133.6 proof / 66.8% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 124.7 proof / 62.35% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 125.8 proof / 62.9% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 129.9 proof / 64.5% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 125.3 proof / 62.65% ABV

• William Larue Weller — \$500/\$1,000 — 134.5 proof / 67.25% ABV

• WhistlePig — 10 Year (Straight Rye) — \$33 — 100 proof / 50% ABV — #WP-10R

A decade in new American oak shapes mint, citrus peel and dark chocolate over a taut, grain-forward line; the close stays tea-leaf dry. Early editions leaned on sourced northern rye, later batches fold in estate stocks, but the profile remains disciplined and oak-framed. As

WhistlePig's flagship, it set the modern expectation for mature rye at confident proof—structure first, ornament second.

• **WhistlePig — 12 Year 'Old World Aged Rye' (Wine-Cask Finished) — \$52 — 86 proof / 43% ABV — #WP-12OW**

Mature straight rye is composed from parcels finished in **Madeira, Sauternes and Port casks** (blended to a precise ratio), which lend dried fruit, honeyed spice and a fine, grapey tannin over rye's mint-pepper backbone; the finish stays poised and dry. As WhistlePig's early exploration of European sweet-wine wood, this release helped mainstream wine-finished rye while keeping grain character central.

• **WhistlePig — 15 Year 'Vermont Estate Oak' (Straight Rye) — \$84 — 92 proof / 46% ABV — #WP-15VEO**

Matured to fifteen seasons, then finished in **estate-cut Vermont oak**—tight-grained, long-seasoned staves with a deep toast—this rye gains maple-tinged wood spice, cocoa and citrus oils over a firm, grain-forward line; the close stays neat and dry. The estate oak widens texture without tipping sweet. As WhistlePig's farm-to-barrel statement, it links the brand's rye to its own forestry program, turning local oak into house signature.

• **Whistlepig The Boss Hog Samurai Scientist — \$350 — 122 proof / 61% ABV**

• **Whistlepig The Boss Hog Juggernaut — \$350 — 104.3 proof / 52.15% ABV**

• **Whistlepig The Boss Hog X commandments — \$350 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV**

• **Widow Jane — 'Baby Jane' (Heirloom-Corn Blend of Straight Bourbons) — \$23 — 91 proof / 45.5% ABV — #WJ-BJ**

Batches built around **Baby Jane heirloom corn**—a proprietary cross prized for concentrated oils—are married and proofed with limestone-rich water from the **Rosendale Mines**, yielding caramel corn, cherry and warm spice on a supple, oak-trim frame; the finish runs dry. Grain, not finish, drives the voice. As Brooklyn's heirloom-corn flagship, Baby Jane pushes bourbon back toward varietal expression rather than commodity mash sweetness.

• **Widow Jane — 10 Year (Blend of Straight Bourbons) — \$33 — 91 proof / 45.5% ABV — #WJ-10**

Select Kentucky, Tennessee and Indiana bourbons are blended in small batches and proofed with Rosendale-Mine limestone water, giving vanilla cream, orange oil and cocoa over a calm, grain-sweet spine; oak tidies the exit neat and dry. No finishing—just mature parcels composed for line and poise. As the house cornerstone, the 10 Year set Widow Jane's template: sourcing transparency, careful batching and a distinctly New York proofing touch.

• **Widow Jane — 13 Year 'Lucky Thirteen' (Single Barrel; Blend of Straight Bourbons) — \$45 — 93 proof / 46.5% ABV — #WJ-13LT**

One cask at a time, well-aged sourced bourbon is proofed with Rosendale limestone water to highlight dark toffee, tobacco leaf and citrus-pith lift on a steady oak frame; the finale is tea-leaf dry. Single-barrel specificity is the point—no finishes, no blends masking cask character. As a mature, barrel-by-barrel chapter, Lucky Thirteen extends the brand's age-stated arc with clean lines and quiet authority.

• **Widow Jane Black Opal — \$175 — 99 proof / 49.5% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey — ‘101’ (Kentucky Straight Rye) — \$23 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV — #WT-RYE101**

A **Kentucky-style rye** built on a modest-rye recipe is distilled at Wild Turkey and laid into **#4 alligator-char** barrels at the brand’s traditionally **lower entry proof**, then batched to 101 for line and lift. Expect mint, orange peel and cocoa over a firm, grain-sweet spine; the finish runs cedar-dry. As the workhorse rye from **Jimmy and Eddie Russell**, it channels center-cut rickhouse character into a taut, cocktail-ready profile.

• **Wild Turkey — ‘101’ (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV — #WT-101**

Built from bourbon laid into **#4 alligator-char** new oak at Wild Turkey’s traditionally **low barrel-entry proof**, then batched across rickhouses for balance, 101 reads caramel, orange oil and warm spice over a firm, grain-led line; the finish stays cedar-dry. No finishing—just seasoned oak and proof doing the talking. Culturally and stylistically, it’s the house’s touchstone: the everyday pour that defines the modern Wild Turkey profile.

• **Wild Turkey — ‘Rare Breed’ (Barrel Proof Straight Rye) — \$26 — 112.2 proof / 56.1% ABV — #WT-RBRYE**

Parcels of straight rye matured in **#4 alligator-char** barrels are composed and bottled uncut, letting warehouse cadence speak plainly: mint, citrus peel and cocoa ride a dense, oil-satin line; a splash of water teases tea-leaf dryness. No finishing, no chill—just rickhouse truth at natural strength. As the rye branch of the Rare Breed lineage, it restored a robust, barrel-proof rye to Turkey’s core—spice rendered as length rather than heat.

• **Wild Turkey — ‘Rare Breed’ (Barrel Proof Straight Bourbon) — \$25 — 58.4 proof / 45% ABV — #WT-RB**

Small batches blend well-matured barrels filled at Wild Turkey’s **lower entry proof** and raised in **#4 alligator-char** oak, then bottle **uncut** for dark toffee, orange zest and polished spice on a long, dry finish. Water opens vanilla and cedar. First issued in the early ’90s and now a fixture, Rare Breed set the brand’s template for high-definition Turkey—house character amplified without finish or ornament.

• **Wild Turkey — ‘Kentucky Spirit’ (Single Barrel, Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV — #WT-KS**

One barrel at a time—often from the rickhouse **center-cut floors** where heat and airflow run even—is bottled at the brand’s hallmark 101, trading uniformity for place. Caramel, citrus and cedar-spice ride a taut, grain-sweet line; the finish stays tidy and dry. As Wild Turkey’s long-running single-barrel program, Kentucky Spirit highlights the micro-climate voice of a single cask within the broader 101 profile.

• **Wild Turkey Decades 10-20 Years — \$103 — 104 proof / 52% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey Triumph 10 Years — \$107 — 104 proof / 52% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey 17 Years — \$154 — 86.8 proof / 43.4% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey Diamond anniversary — \$103 — 91 proof / 45.5% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey Voyage — \$99 — 106 proof / 53% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey American spirit 15 Years — \$357 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey Beacon — \$215 — 118 proof / 59% ABV/ 45% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey Tradition — \$349 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **Wild Turkey Master's Keep Revival 2018 release — \$213 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

• **Wilderness Trail — 'Marshmallow Rainbow' (Brandy Library & Drammers; Kentucky Straight Rye) — \$27 — 106.3 proof / 53.15% ABV — #WTrail-MR**

A single-barrel, sweet-mash rye laid into new charred oak at low entry proof, bottled close to cask strength and non-chill-filtered to preserve texture. Toasty oak sketches vanilla-mallow and cocoa around minty grain, the finish precise and pepper-clean. As a private selection, it spotlights Wilderness Trail's hallmark fermentation and barrel protocols—your team's palate catching the distillery's airy, confection-tinged side without tipping sweet.

• **Willett — Family Estate Small Batch Rye (4 Year; Kentucky Straight) — \$23 — 113 proof / 56.5% ABV — #WFE-RYE4**

House-distilled rye matured four Kentucky seasons in new charred oak is batched at a robust natural strength and left non-chill-filtered, emphasizing spearmint, cacao and black-tea dryness over an energetic, grain-first spine. No finishing—just barrel and proof speaking plainly. As the modern face of Willett's rye program, this small batch marks the distillery's return to in-house rye character after the sourcing era, rendered crisp and exact.

• **Willett 6 Years Bourbon 8268 — \$32 — 123.2 proof / 61.6% ABV**

• **Willett 10 Years Bourbon 3828 — \$87 — 128.4 / 64.2% ABV**

• **Willett 6 Years Rye 147 — \$32 — 117.2 proof / 58.6% ABV**

• **Willett 10 Years Rye 6202 — \$87 — 132.6 proof / 66.3% ABV**

• **Willett 7 Years Rye 9688 — \$39 — 105.8 proof / 52.9% ABV**

• **Willett — Pot Still Reserve (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$23 — 94 proof / 47% ABV — #WIL-PSR**

Select barrels of house bourbon are married and proofed to 94, the classic **pot-still-shaped decanter** nodding to Willett's historical identity. Expect vanilla cream, citrus peel and almond-tinged oak on a mid-weight palate, the close neat and dry. Positioned as the distillery's elegant table pour, Pot Still Reserve connects Willett's revival years to today—small-batch selection and measured proof over any finishing flourish.

• **Willett — 8 Year Wheated (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$64 — 108 proof / 54% ABV — #WIL-W8**

A wheated recipe spends eight seasons in new charred oak, then bottles non-chill-filtered at a confident house strength to showcase honeyed grain, nougat and baking-spice warmth over a

rounded, oak-trim frame; the finish stays tidy and dry. Sitting above Willett's younger wheated releases, it extends the Family Estate program into a more mature register—time and proof shaping richness without syrup.

• **The Wiseman — Kentucky Straight Bourbon (Kentucky Owl) — \$23 — 90.8 proof / 45.4% ABV — #WSM-KO**

A blend of **multiple Kentucky straight bourbons** is selected and married under **John Rhea**—the former Four Roses master distiller—after full-term maturation in new charred oak, aiming for lift over heft. Toffee, orange oil and baking spice ride a mid-weight, grain-sweet line to a tidy, dry close. As Rhea's first widely available Owl release, it repositions the brand toward approachable price and profile while keeping blending pedigree at the fore.

• **Woodford Reserve — Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$23 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV — #WR-B90**

Batches unite **triple-distilled pot-still whiskey** from Versailles with column-distilled bourbon from Louisville, then rest in long-seasoned, new charred American oak from the house cooperage, favoring clarity and line over brute force. Expect orange peel, cocoa and polished spice on a steady, grain-led frame with a dry finish. As Brown-Forman's flagship, it codifies the dual-distillation Woodford style—cooperage control and precise batching as the signature.

• **Woodford Reserve — Wheat (Kentucky Straight Wheat Whiskey) — \$23 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV — #WR-WH**

A **wheat-led mash** (majority wheat with supporting malt, corn and rye) is distilled and matured in new charred oak, shaping honeyed grain, pear skin and vanilla cream over a supple mid-palate; oak reins the finish clean and dry. The voice is silk rather than sugar. As part of Woodford's classic trio beyond bourbon, Wheat re-centers grain choice—showing how a soft mash and disciplined cooperage can read elegant, not sweet.

• **Woodford Reserve — Malt (Kentucky Straight Malt Whiskey) — \$23 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV — #WR-MLT**

Built on malted barley as the majority grain and matured in new charred American oak, this malt trades Scotch's refill casks for a richer U.S. oak register: toasted biscuit, cocoa and roasted nut glide along a tidy, tea-leaf-dry line. Pot-still character adds quiet weight without smoke. Within Woodford's core, it frames American malt through Kentucky methods—new oak and careful batching rather than peat or wine finishing.

• **Woodford Reserve — Double Oaked (Kentucky Straight Bourbon) — \$27 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV — #WR-DO**

Fully matured Woodford is re-barreled into a deeply toasted, lightly charred second new oak cask from the company's own cooperage, widening texture and layering chocolate, brûléed sugars and sweet baking spice while keeping the exit neat and dry. The second barrel acts as architecture, not ornament. As a modern classic of double-barrel Kentucky bourbon, it showcases how toast profile—not proof—can dial depth and silk.

• **Woodford Reserve 1838 Style White Corn — \$31 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Sonoma Triple Finish — \$67 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Classic Malt — \$27 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Batch Proof — \$53 — 119.5 proof / 59.75% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Batch Proof — \$53 — 125.8 proof / 62.9% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Masters Collection Seasoned Oak Finish — \$56 — 100.4 proof / 50.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Sweet Oak Bourbon — \$69 — 110.4 proof / 55.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Double Oaked — \$79 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Five Malt Stouted Mash — \$89 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Madeira Cask Finish — \$63 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve brandy Cask Finish — \$89 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Sonoma-Cutrer Pinot Noir Finish — \$91 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Masters Collection Oat Grain Bourbon — \$56 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Cherry Wood Smoked Barley — \$93 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodford Reserve Baccarat Edition — \$390 — 90.4 proof / 45.2% ABV**

• **Woodinville — Pot-Distilled Straight Bourbon (Washington) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #WDV-B**

Pot-distilled bourbon matures in new toasted-and-charred American oak, then ages across the Columbia Valley's continental swings—hot summers, cold winters—for assertive extraction and tidy structure. Caramel corn, orange peel and cocoa ride a clean, grain-led line to a dry finish. By aging east of the Cascades, Woodinville forged a distinct Northwest cadence for bourbon—climate and cooperage doing the talking rather than finishes.

• **Woodinville — Pot-Distilled Straight 100% Rye (Washington) — \$23 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #WDV-R**

A **100% rye** mash is pot-distilled and matured in new American oak, its Columbia Valley aging sharpening mint, cacao and pepper over a lean, grain-first spine; oak reins the close neat and dry. No finishing, just recipe and climate expressed plainly. As a house stalwart, it sets Washington rye apart—high-rye clarity rendered with the same continental-swing maturation that defines the brand's bourbon.

• **Woodinville — Port Cask Finish (Straight Bourbon; Washington) — \$24 — 90 proof / 45% ABV — #WDV-PF**

Fully matured bourbon is re-racked for a secondary spell in Port wine casks, which add blackberry compote, cocoa and gentle vinous spice around a caramel core while keeping the exit crisp and dry. Texture widens rather than sweetens. As a finishing-led counterpoint to the

standard release, it folds the region's wine heritage into Woodinville's climate-driven style without losing the brand's grain-forward balance.

• **Wyoming Whiskey — 'Outryder' (American Straight Whiskey; 4–9 Years) — \$27 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

Built from two distinct recipes—one high-rye bourbon-leaning, one rye-led—this bonded release matures four to nine Wyoming seasons in new charred oak, then bottles at government-bond strength. The palate reads citrus peel, dark honey and tea-leaf dryness over a firm, oak-laced line. Conceived to sit between bourbon and rye, Outryder became Wyoming Whiskey's category outlier—an intentional, frontier-minded style that honors both mashbills without forcing either label.

• **Yellowstone Kentucky Straight Bourbon — \$38 — 101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

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• **Blue Spot 7yr Cask Strength — \$92 — 108.2 proof**

Blue Spot is single pot still Irish whiskey matured for no less than 7 years in bourbon casks, sherry butts, and Portuguese Madeira casks, then bottled at cask strength. The cask mix gives it a distinctly tensile shape: tropical fruit and lime zest at the front, then toasted wood, clove oil, black pepper, and the oily, spicy weight that only good pot still whiskey seems to carry so naturally. What makes it matter is that this is not a novelty revival but the serious return of the long-vanished blue spot in the Mitchell family range, restored with enough intensity and definition to justify the wait.

Bushmills is a single malt from Northern Ireland, currently owned by José Cuervo/Proximo. Using a triple distillation in copper pot stills, it doesn't qualify as a 'single pot still' whiskey since Bushmill's recipe calls for 100% malted barley (as opposed to using at least 30% unmalted barley). Master Blender Alex Thomas (she recently took over Helen Mulholland's role) and Master Distiller Colum Egan preside over the well being of the predominantly ex-Bourbon and Sherry casks, and can be proud of producing one of the very best whiskeys on earth, finally getting the attention so well deserved. Gentle, fruity and creamy are attributes common to all marks, even the non-single malts in the range (Bushmills Original and Blackbush get their grain whiskey component from the Pernod Ricard-owned Midleton distillery).

• **Bushmills 10yr Two Woods — \$23 — 80 proof**

Triple distilled from 100% malted barley and matured for a minimum of 10 years in former sherry casks and bourbon-seasoned casks, Bushmills 10 remains the clearest statement of the distillery's core voice. Honey, vanilla, ripe fruit, and milk chocolate arrive in a light, polished frame, but the real pleasure is the balance: soft without being vague, elegant without ever becoming thin. What makes it matter is that this bottle still functions as Bushmills in miniature, laying out the house style with unusual clarity and very little artifice.

• **Bushmills 12yr Triple Wood — \$29 — 80 proof**

Bushmills 12 is triple distilled from 100% malted barley, matured for a minimum of 11 years in former sherry and bourbon casks, then married and finished for 6 to 9 months in Marsala wine casks. That final stage gives the whiskey a darker, broader register than the 10—dried fruit, roasted nuts, warm spice, and a deeper, nut-toned sweetness—while the spirit itself stays lifted and composed. What makes it matter is the restraint of the finishing: Marsala is used here not to overwrite the distillate, but to widen the emotional range of the Bushmills style.

• **Bushmills 16yr Sherry Port — \$54 — 80 proof**

Aged for about 15 years in a combination of Oloroso sherry and bourbon-seasoned casks, then finished for about 9 months in port wine pipes, the 16-year moves Bushmills into a richer, more dusk-toned register without sacrificing its signature poise. Treacle, juicy fruit, nutty depth, and sweet spice gather into a palate that feels layered rather than weighty, with just enough ruby-toned lift from the port to keep the finish bright. What makes it matter is how architectural the cask sequence feels: this is one of the classic mature Bushmills bottlings, where each stage of maturation clearly leaves its own mark.

• **Bushmills 21yr Sherry Madeira — \$79 — 80 proof**

Matured for a minimum of 19 years in former Oloroso sherry and bourbon-seasoned casks, then married and transferred into Madeira casks for a further 2 years, Bushmills 21 is built less on force than on composure. Honeyed dried fruit, hazelnut, spice, polished oak, and a lifted wine-toned brightness unfold slowly, with the Madeira bringing continuity and shape rather than obvious sweetness. What makes it matter is that it has long stood as the distillery's mature benchmark: a whiskey that proves triple-distilled Irish single malt can carry real age while still sounding airy, graceful, and unmistakably Bushmills.

• **Bushmills 25yr Port Pipe — \$312 — 92 proof**

Bushmills 25 begins with initial maturation in bourbon barrels and sherry butts, then moves into a first-fill ruby port pipe oak cask for a remarkably long 21-year secondary maturation. By that point the port influence is no longer a flourish but part of the whiskey's structure itself: dark fruit, caramelized cherry, plum, rich chocolate, sweet spice, and warm oak all arrive with a texture that feels saturated yet beautifully controlled. What makes it matter is precisely the scale of that second maturation—this is Bushmills allowing ruby port to become part of the whiskey's architecture rather than merely its finish.

• **Bushmills Black Bush — \$23 — 80 proof**

Black Bush combines an exceptionally high proportion of malt whiskey with a lighter grain whiskey, then matures the blend in former Oloroso sherry and bourbon casks. That recipe gives it a darker, rounder center than most entry-level Irish blends: ripe fruit, sultana sweetness, toasted nuts, vanilla, and a smooth, upholstered finish that feels fuller than the price suggests. What makes it matter is that Black Bush still shows how serious a classic Irish blend can be when the malt content is high and the sherry influence is allowed to speak clearly.

• **Bushmills Red Bush — \$23 — 80 proof**

Red Bush is the most bourbon-shaped bottle in the Bushmills family, described in surviving product materials as a triple-distilled Irish whiskey aged in first-fill bourbon barrels. The style is intentionally straightforward—vanilla, butterscotch, soft pear, light oak, and a sweeter grain profile than Black Bush—built to feel open, smooth, and immediately legible rather than deep or

brooding. What makes it matter is its role inside the range: this was Bushmills' clearest attempt to speak directly to bourbon drinkers while still preserving the distillery's familiar smoothness.

• **Bushmills 1608 12 Years Special Reserve — \$98 — 43% ABV**

A legacy Bushmills 1608-branded 12-year Special Reserve from the late 90's, this appears to sit within the distillery's anniversary-era prestige-blend world rather than its later single malt lineup. Reliable bottle references support the age statement, the 43% ABV, and the 'Special Reserve' designation, while the broader 1608 line is historically tied to Bushmills' 400th-anniversary releases and the use of crystal malt alongside the house's triple-distilled character. What makes this bottle matter is that archival feel: richer and rarer than standard Bushmills, and a window into the brand's early modern luxury phase.

• **Bushmills 1608 400th Anniversary — \$250 — 46% ABV**

Released for Bushmills' 400th-anniversary celebrations, this '1608' is a commemorative Irish blend built from triple-distilled malt whiskey, grain whiskey, and a distinctive crystal-malt component more commonly associated with brewing than whiskey making. Matured in Bourbon and sherry casks, it reads richer and darker than standard Bushmills—honeyed fruit, toasted nuts, dried fruit, and a soft caramelized depth. It matters because it turned anniversary packaging into a genuinely different house style, not just a label exercise.

• **Bushmills 1608 Single Cask #10663, Distilled 1991 — \$180 — 43% ABV**

This archival U.S.-import single cask takes Bushmills out of its usual polished blend-and-core-range setting and into a more collectible, bottle-specific register. The available record supports a 1991 vintage, cask #10663, a rum-cask maturation, and 43% ABV; beyond that, I'd stay disciplined without a label photo or distillery sheet. What makes it matter is precisely that narrowness: a single-cask Bushmills from an earlier era, bottled with far more individuality than the brand usually showed in export markets.

• **Bushmills Rare Casks 30 Years Old LR #3 Madeira Cask — \$750/\$1,500 — 49% ABV**

The third Rare Casks release takes Bushmills' ultra-aged single malt into Madeira territory: the spirit first matures in bourbon and sherry casks for just over 13 years, then spends the larger share of its life in three hand-selected first-fill Madeira wine casks. The result should feel deep but lifted—praline, toffee, orange peel, stone fruit, and mocha rather than simple oak weight. It matters as the oldest release in the series to that point and one of the boldest examples of Bushmills letting cask strategy reshape mature stock.

• **Connemara Original — \$23 — 80 proof**

Connemara Original is a peated single malt Irish whiskey inspired by the older practice of drying malted barley over peat fires, and the distillery still frames it as the only widely available peated Irish single malt. Sweet barley, honey, baked apple, vanilla oak, and a clean vegetal smoke keep it firmly in Irish territory: smoky, yes, but never trying to mimic Islay or bury the malt under ash. What makes it matter is that it preserves a thread of Irish whiskey history that might otherwise feel theoretical—a living reminder that peat belongs to Ireland too.

• **Gold Spot 13yr Generations — \$92 — 92 proof**

The Generations Edition is a 13-year-old single pot still Irish whiskey matured in ex-bourbon and ex-sherry casks, then finished for 16 months in Valpolicella wine casks sourced from the Secondo Marco winery in Italy. That final stage broadens the whiskey beautifully—dark fruit, berry compote, toffee apple, soft tannin, blossom notes, and pot still spice all move together in a way that feels both lush and precise. What makes it matter is the fit between story and liquid:

the bottle honors seven generations of the Mitchell family, and its Italian wine finish feels entirely natural for a whiskey whose roots are inseparable from wine-merchant history.

• **Green Spot Single Pot Still — \$23 — 80 proof**

Green Spot is a non-age-statement single pot still Irish whiskey composed of whiskeys aged between 7 and 10 years, matured in a combination of new bourbon, refill bourbon, and sherry casks. That cask policy gives it the classic Green Spot balance of freshness and weight: ripe apple and pear, sweet barley, polished oils, clove-tinged spice, and a finish that stays lively rather than dense. What makes it matter is that it remains the defining bottle of the Spot family—the one that carries Mitchell & Son's old Dublin wine-merchant inheritance into the present with unusual continuity and grace.

• **Green Spot Montelena Zinfandel — \$39 — 92 proof**

This edition begins as classic Green Spot, initially matured in traditional sherry and bourbon casks, then given a full 12-month finish in French oak Zinfandel wine casks from Château Montelena in Napa Valley. The wine cask does not so much cover the whiskey as refract it, drawing out pomegranate, cranberry, maraschino cherry, and a faint dry edge through the silky mouthfeel before the familiar pot still spice returns on the finish. What makes it matter is the precision of the partnership: the Montelena cask broadens Green Spot's palette without ever letting it stop sounding like Green Spot.

Knappogue Castle is best understood as a historic Irish whiskey brand rather than a single standalone distillery identity. It takes its name from the 15th-century castle in County Clare, which Mark Edwin Andrews purchased in 1966; during the restoration, he began acquiring and maturing fine Irish whiskey casks, laying the foundation for the Knappogue Castle label. Today, the house is known for triple-distilled single malt, made from 100% malted barley in traditional copper pot stills, giving it a character prized for softness, clarity, and graceful fruit. What sets it apart is not only age or rarity, but the way it preserves a sense of old-world custodianship — less industrial, more curated, and unmistakably refined.

• **Knappogue 16yr Twin Wood — \$37 — 86 proof**

Knappogue Castle 16 is made from single malt distilled in copper pot stills, aged for a minimum of 14 years in bourbon barrels, then finished in Oloroso sherry casks to complete at least 16 years of maturation. The structure is gentle but not slight: aromatic malt, soft orchard fruit, vanilla, nutty sweetness, and a longer finish where the sherry adds depth without pulling the whiskey away from its barley core. What makes it matter is the measured use of cask influence—this is Knappogue letting sherry deepen the frame rather than dominate the conversation.

• **Knappogue 21yr Single Malt — \$84 — 92 proof**

This limited 21-year-old is a marriage of two single malts distilled in copper pot stills and matured entirely in ex-bourbon casks: one filled in 1994 and aged 23 years, the other filled in 1996 and aged 21 years, then brought together and bottled non-chill filtered. It reads with the quiet assurance that long bourbon aging can give Irish malt—orchard fruit, pastry richness, toasted oak, mellow spice, and a lingering cereal note that keeps the finish grounded in the grain. What makes it matter is its refusal to rely on exotic finishing; its confidence comes from age, cask quality, and patience alone.

• **Method & Madness French Oak — \$29 — 92 proof**

Laid down in Midleton in 2002, this single malt was matured in bourbon barrels and then finished in French oak casks, a first for the Method & Madness team. The effect is fragrant and textural rather than loud: cereal malt, light perfume, cracked cinnamon, wafer sweetness, and a finish that lands on confection and toasted barley with a gently drying grip from the wood. What makes it matter is the experiment itself—this is Method & Madness at its clearest, taking familiar Midleton distillate and using unusual oak not to decorate it, but to reveal a different contour inside it.

• **Method & Madness Garryana Oak — \$26 — 92 proof**

This single pot still release is triple distilled and matured in virgin Garryana oak barrels, drawing its wood from the Pacific Northwest rather than from the more familiar European or American oak traditions. Garryana gives the whiskey a darker, earthier accent than the standard Midleton vocabulary usually suggests: smoked applewood, treacle, golden raisin, black pepper, toasted wood, clove, and a faint coffee-ground bitterness that keeps the finish serious. What makes it matter is that it feels like a genuine wood experiment rather than a novelty edition—one of the clearest examples of Method & Madness using unusual oak to change the whiskey's architecture.

• **Method & Madness Spanish Oak — \$23 — 92 proof**

Method & Madness Single Grain begins in first-fill bourbon casks and is then finished in virgin Spanish oak, a choice that lets the house push grain whiskey away from pure sweetness and into something more aromatic and incisive. New pencil shavings, rose-petal lift, rain-on-pine freshness, grapefruit peel, toasted wood spice, and a minty, clove-led finish give the whiskey more tension than single grain is often allowed. What makes it matter is that it treats single grain as a serious canvas rather than a supporting player, using Spanish oak to add structure instead of simply adding gloss.

• **Midleton Distillery** is one of the defining names in Irish whiskey: founded in County Cork in 1825, expanded in 1975 as the new home of the Irish Distillers houses, and today the source of celebrated whiskeys including Jameson, Redbreast, Midleton Very Rare, Powers, Spot Whiskeys, and Method & Madness. What makes it exceptional is its rare union of heritage and command: a 160-acre site that produces all of Irish Distillers' pot still and grain whiskey, houses the Garden Still House with the world's largest operating copper pot stills, and balances tradition with experimentation through its Micro Distillery. Few distilleries have shaped modern Irish whiskey more completely.

• **Midleton Dair Ghaelach Bluebell Forest — \$127 — cask strength (55.3%–56.3% ABV) — #TBD**

Bluebell Forest takes Midleton's single pot still whiskey into native-oak territory with unusual precision: whiskeys aged 12 to 23 years in American oak were re-casked into 29 lightly to medium toasted virgin Irish oak casks made from six 130-year-old trees from Castle Blunden's Bluebell Forest, then monitored monthly and finished for 19 months. The result should feel both stately and vivid—pot still spice, woodland oils, vanilla, coffee, red berries, and a very long oak-led finish. It matters because every bottle is traceable to one of the six felled trees, making provenance part of the whiskey itself rather than decoration around it.

• **Midleton Dair Ghaelach Kylebeg Wood Virgin Irish Oak Collection, Bottle №111 — \$127 — cask strength (tree-dependent; 55.4%–56.1% ABV across the release) — #TBD**

Bottle №111 sits within the fourth Dair Ghaelach chapter, where Midleton filled 42 lightly toasted Irish oak casks made from seven trees felled in Kylebeg Wood on the Ballykilcavan Estate, using a range of 15- to 28-year-old single pot still whiskeys previously matured in American oak barrels and then aged a further two years in native oak. The style reads darker and firmer than Bluebell—fragrant woodland spice, caramel, stewed apple, orange peel, chocolate, and lingering wood tannin held in an elegant frame. What makes it matter is the same thing that makes the whole Kylebeg release important: a serious study in Irish oak provenance, with each bottling anchored to a specific tree-led identity.

• **Midleton Very Rare 2023 — \$93 — 80 proof**

The 2023 vintage is a blend of rare and hand-selected single pot still and single grain Irish whiskeys from Midleton's exclusive inventory, matured in lightly charred ex-bourbon American oak barrels and signed by Master Distiller Kevin O'Gorman. There is always polish in Midleton Very Rare, but here the real appeal is the sense of poised abundance: a rich, decadent, oak-shaped style meant to feel generous without losing elegance. What makes it matter is that this was both the 40th annual release in the series and Kevin O'Gorman's third vintage, a bottle that carries continuity and authorship at the same time.

• **Powers Johns Lane 12yr — \$23 — 92 proof**

John's Lane Release is a 12-year-old single pot still whiskey created as a tribute to the original style of Powers and to the old John's Lane Distillery itself, the spiritual home of the brand in Dublin. It speaks in a broader, more muscular voice than many of its Midleton stablemates: earthy aromas, leather, tobacco, charred wood, dark chocolate, treacle toffee, then a palate of full-bodied spice, vanilla, honey, and dried apricot. What makes it matter is that Powers still feels proudly old-fashioned here—in the best sense of the phrase—robust, spicy, and built around character rather than polish alone.

Redbreast is a single pot still whiskey produced by the Pernod-Ricard owned Midleton distillery in Cork, Ireland, under the supervision of Master Blender Billy Leighton. Malted and unmalted barley made into a beer, triple distilled in copper pot stills for a fruity and creamy whiskey, essentially matured in ex-Bourbon and Sherry casks. The 'Priest's tippie' is pure pleasure in a glass, straight from the 12 year old to the very oldest 27 year old!

• **Redbreast 12yr Single Pot — \$33 — 80 proof**

Redbreast 12 is made from a mash of malted and unmalted barley, triple distilled in copper pot stills, and matured for 12 years in a combination of bourbon and sherry casks. The style is so established now that it can be easy to overlook how complete it is: spicy and fruity on the nose, silky and full on the palate, with sherry richness, toasted wood, and a long finish that never lets the pot still character disappear. What makes it matter is that this remains the signature Redbreast bottling and, for many drinkers, still the definitive expression of modern single pot still Irish whiskey.

• **Redbreast 12yr Cask Strength — \$43 — 116.2 proof**

Made from a mash of malted and unmalted barley, triple distilled in copper pot stills, and bottled straight from the cask with no added dilution, Redbreast 12 Cask Strength is the house style in its least domesticated form. The familiar Redbreast signature—spice, fruit, sherry richness, and toasted wood—arrives with greater density and a more forceful oily grip, yet it still keeps the

whiskey's essential balance intact. What makes it matter is exactly that sense of proximity to the source: not a different Redbreast idea, but Redbreast 12 with the cask speaking at full volume.

• **Redbreast Lustau Sherry Finish — \$35 — 92 proof**

Redbreast Lustau Edition begins with single pot still whiskey matured in traditional bourbon and sherry casks for 9 to 12 years, then spends a full additional year in first-fill sherry butts seasoned with Oloroso from Bodegas Lustau in Jerez. The result is not simply 'more sherry,' but a more specifically Iberian expression of Redbreast: richer dried fruit, deeper baking spice, polished oak, and a warmer, wine-dark finish that still carries the creamy pot still core. What makes it matter is the partnership itself—this bottle turned Redbreast's long affinity for sherry into a named, place-specific collaboration, and in doing so became one of the family's most convincing extensions.

• **Redbreast Missouri Oak — \$67 — 92 proof**

Missouri Oak Edition takes the familiar Redbreast single pot still profile, aged in sherry and ex-bourbon barrels, and finishes it for 10 months in virgin Missouri oak sourced from the Ozark Forest. That finishing wood pushes the whiskey into a darker, more wood-toned register—black cherry, blackcurrant, cinnamon, ginger, vanilla, and a firmer tannic line—without losing the creamy, spice-led center that makes Redbreast feel like Redbreast. What makes it matter is that it is not a casual cask experiment but a structural one: the second release in the American Oak series, built to show how a specific U.S. oak origin can reshape the house style.

• **Redbreast 15yr Single Pot — \$47 — 92 proof**

Made exclusively from single pot still whiskey matured in the finest oak casks for no less than 15 years, Redbreast 15 relies on a careful balance of first-fill and refill casks to accentuate the spice already present in the distillate. Berry fruits, aromatic oils, toasted wood, and mellow depth arrive with a little more breadth and calm than the 12, but the whiskey never drifts into heaviness or over-oaking. What makes it matter is its composure: this is the point in the range where added maturity begins to feel not merely older, but more fully resolved.

• **Redbreast 18yr Single Pot — \$85 — 92 proof**

Redbreast 18 is matured in a combination of ex-bourbon barrels together with casks seasoned with Oloroso sherry, cream sherry, and ruby port, with the cream sherry element giving this permanent-range release its distinctive inflection. The whiskey moves in a darker and more opulent direction than the 15—berry fruit, hazelnut chocolate, caramelized stone fruit, orange peel, ginger, and polished oak—yet it still lands with the poise that keeps mature Redbreast from becoming merely rich. What makes it matter is that it adds a genuinely new cask voice to the core family: not just more age, but a broadened Redbreast vocabulary.

• **Redbreast 21yr ex-Bourbon & Sherry — \$121 — 92 proof**

Redbreast 21 is made from a mash of malted and unmalted barley, triple distilled in copper pot stills, then matured for 21 years in a combination of American bourbon barrels and first-fill Spanish Oloroso sherry butts. At this age the house style does not become louder so much as more complete: tropical fruit, toasted oak, sherry nuttiness, soft vanilla, and a silky, almost weightless richness that keeps unfolding long after the sip. What makes it matter is that this remains one of the great mature single pot still bottlings—an expression where Redbreast's signature balance of spice, fruit, and sherry influence reaches its most composed form.

- **Red Spot 15yr Marsala Finish — \$95 — 92 proof**

Red Spot is a triple-distilled single pot still Irish whiskey matured for a minimum of 15 years in a combination of American bourbon casks, Spanish sherry butts, and Sicilian Marsala wine casks. The Marsala element gives the whiskey a darker, more vinous accent than the brighter Spots—baked apple, mango, black cherry, hazelnut, new leather, and toasted oak—while the pot still spice keeps the palate grounded and alive. What makes it matter is the bottle's return itself: drawn from the old Mitchell family archive and records dating back to the early 1900s, it restored the long-missing red mark to the Spot range with real depth and authority.

- **Redbreast 27 ruby port cask — \$230 — 106.2 proof / 53.1% ABV**

- **Redbreast PX Sherry Hogshead — \$49 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

- **Silkie Donegal Legend — \$23 — 92 proof**

The Legendary Silkie is a Donegal Irish whiskey from Sliabh Liag Distillers, built as a blend of double- and triple-distilled malts, soft grain whiskey, and a hint of peated malt, then hand-bottled at 46% ABV without chill filtration. That structure gives it a notably supple feel for the category: soft grain sweetness, buttery malt, light coastal smoke, and a gentle richness that feels shaped more by texture than by sheer intensity. What makes it matter is the idea behind it—Silkie was created as an early statement of Sliabh Liag's broader mission to reclaim the nearly lost whiskey heritage of County Donegal rather than simply reproduce familiar modern Irish blend formulas.

- **Silkie Dark Silkies — \$23 — 92 proof**

The Legendary Dark Silkie pushes further into Donegal's smoky side, using a recipe of double-distilled unpeated malt, triple-distilled peated malt, and grain whiskey matured in virgin oak, then bottling the result non-chill filtered and at natural color. The style is richer and duskier than the standard Silkie—fresh apple, pipe tobacco, salted caramel, dark chocolate, liquorice, oak, and a dry peat-smoke wrap that stays warming rather than aggressive. What makes it matter is that it is explicitly conceived as a tribute to the lost taste of rich, smoky Irish blended whiskey, giving the category a style reference that feels regional rather than borrowed.

- **Teeling Small Batch Rum Cask — \$23 — 92 proof**

Teeling Small Batch is built from hand-selected grain and malt whiskeys first matured separately in ex-bourbon barrels, then married together in Central American rum casks for up to 12 months before bottling at 46% ABV, non-chill filtered. The rum wood gives the whiskey its defining swing: floral lift, creamy vanilla, rum-soaked raisin, apricot, warming spice, and a finish that carries sweetness and oak in equal measure. What makes it matter is that this bottle announced the Teeling attitude early and clearly—blended Irish whiskey not as something to tidy up, but as a place for deliberately unconventional cask design.

- **Teeling Single Grain ex-wine — \$23 — 92 proof**

Teeling Single Grain is built on an unconventional mash bill of 95% corn and 5% malted barley, column distilled and matured exclusively in American red wine casks, then bottled non-chill filtered at 46% ABV. That cask choice gives the whiskey its defining contour: red berries, grape skin, gentle tannin, spice, and a silky texture that feels more vinous and more angular than most Irish grain whiskey. What makes it matter is that it helped establish Teeling's identity early on—single grain not as a secondary category, but as a deliberately modern, wine-shaped style with its own clear point of view.

• **Teeling Single Pot Still Wine — \$25 — 92 proof**

Teeling Single Pot Still is made from a mash bill of 50% malted and 50% unmalted barley, triple distilled, and on the current producer page is described as matured in a combination of American virgin oak, bourbon, and sherry casks. The whiskey feels broader and grain-richer than many polished modern pot still bottlings—white pepper, cooked grain, peaches and cream, grapefruit brightness, and a dry, spice-coated finish with muscovado sweetness. What makes it matter is its position in Dublin whiskey history: Teeling presents it as the first whiskey distilled in Dublin in nearly 50 years, a modern bottle explicitly built to reconnect with the older Dublin pot still style.

• **Teeling Single Malt — \$21 — 92 proof**

Teeling Single Malt is made from 100% malted barley and matured and finished across five cask influences—virgin American oak, ruby port, Carcavelos white port, Madeira, and bourbon—before bottling at 46% ABV without chill filtration. The style is deliberately fruit-forward and layered: tropical melon, chocolate, mixed berries, soft spice, and a long finish with oak and passionfruit rather than simple sherry weight. What makes it matter is that this is one of the clearest statements of the modern Teeling approach, where cask composition is used not for prestige signaling, but to create an Irish single malt that feels expansive, contemporary, and unmistakably house-shaped.

• **Sexton Triple Distilled Malt — \$23 — 80 proof**

The Sexton is made from 100% Irish malted barley, triple distilled for smoothness in copper pot stills, and aged in oloroso sherry casks. It lands in a rich but approachable register—dried fruit, nuts, honeycomb, subtle oak, and a rounded finish that feels bolder than its proof suggests without turning heavy or over-sherried. What makes it matter is that it is a consciously modern presentation of Irish single malt, with Alex Thomas using a relatively short maturation in sherry wood to build texture, color, and depth quickly and convincingly.

• **Tullamore DEW Triple Blended — \$23 — 80 proof**

Tullamore D.E.W. Original is the house's triple blend, combining grain, malt, and pot still whiskey, triple distilled and matured in refill barrels, ex-bourbon barrels, and ex-sherry butts. That construction gives it exactly the balance the brand promises: grain for sweetness, malt for fruit, pot still for spice, all arriving in an easy, gentle frame that feels complete rather than simplistic. What makes it matter is that the bottle still stands as one of the defining mainstream Irish blends—a durable benchmark for how approachable and structurally coherent the category can be.

• **Tyrconnell Single Malt — \$23 — 80 proof — #WI36**

The Tyrconnell is a double-distilled single malt Irish whiskey, a style choice that immediately sets it apart in a category more often defined by triple distillation. The official house language leans into that distinction: double distillation is used here to retain more of the barley's native character, giving the whiskey a delicate flavor carried on a creamier, more viscous frame than many cleaner-cut Irish malts. What makes it matter is precisely that identity—The Tyrconnell still occupies its own lane, a historic Irish single malt that chooses texture, barley definition, and individuality over polish for its own sake.

• **West Cork Bog Oak Casks — \$25 — 86 proof**

This Glengarriff release is a triple-distilled single malt Irish whiskey matured in sherry casks and then finished for a further 4 to 6 months in bog-oak-charred casks, with the bog oak harvested from the local boglands of Glengarriff. That final wood treatment gives the whiskey a distinctly

regional feel: spice, dried fruit, leather, cracked pepper, and malt richness arrive with a darker, earthier tone than a standard sherry finish would usually suggest. What makes it matter is that the cask story is not decorative—it is one of West Cork’s clearest attempts to root a whiskey in place, using local bog oak to give the bottle a specifically West Cork accent.

• **West Cork Single Malt Triple Distilled — \$29 — 86 proof / 43%**

• **Yellow Spot 12yr Malaga Finish — \$41 — 92 proof**

Yellow Spot is single pot still Irish whiskey matured for a full 12 years in three oak cask types: American bourbon barrels, Spanish sherry butts, and, uniquely, Spanish Malaga casks. The Malaga element gives the whiskey its distinctive shape—richer, sweeter, and more exotic than Green Spot, but still carried by the silky mouthfeel and pot still spice that define the family style. What makes it matter is that Yellow Spot revives one of the old Mitchell bonding marks while also standing apart within the range: not merely a finished whiskey, but a fully matured three-cask expression bottled in extremely limited quantities.

CANADA

• **Caldera Hurricane 5 Batch 1 — \$23 — 80 proof**

Hurricane 5 is Caldera’s handcrafted Canadian blended whisky, and the best surviving bottle material describes it as made from the distillery’s homegrown and regional grains, with each release allowed to show subtle variation rather than being flattened into a single industrial profile. Batch No. 1 reads exactly in that small-scale, grain-forward register: caramel, honey, butterscotch, rye spice, vanilla, and baking spice, with a creamy finish that stays easy rather than ambitious. What makes it matter is the sense of place around it—the whisky is tied to the ‘Hurricane #5’ storm story on the River John property, and the bottle feels like an early Nova Scotia craft whisky trying to sound local before sounding grand.

Canadian Club is one of the grand historic names of North American whisky, founded by Hiram Walker in Walkerville, Ontario, in 1858. What set it apart from the beginning was not brute force, but polish: a house style built on exceptional local grain, a corn-based foundation layered with rye, rye malt, and barley malt for lift and nuance, then matured in white-oak ex-bourbon barrels for composure and smoothness. First celebrated as *Club Whisky* in elite gentlemen’s clubs, it became a symbol of refinement, consistency, and confidence in provenance. Even today, its distinction lies in elegant drinkability paired with real pedigree, from its flagship expressions to the remarkable long-aged Chronicles releases.

• **Canadian Club 41 Years Old Chronicles Issue No. 1 ‘Water of Windsor’ — \$119 — 45% ABV — #TBD**

The inaugural 2018 Chronicles release, ‘Water of Windsor’ salutes Canadian Club’s birthplace and was built on a 100% corn recipe with undisclosed traces of Cognac, rye, and sherry, then laid down within the house tradition of maturation in white-oak American bourbon barrels. The

profile reads plush and polished—vanilla, butterscotch, candied citrus, dried fruit, and quiet oak spice. It matters as the bottle that opened the Chronicles line and, at launch, carried the claim of oldest Canadian whisky ever released.

• **Canadian Club 42 Years Old Chronicles Issue No. 2 ‘The Dock Man’** — \$125 — 45% ABV — #TBD

Issue No. 2 moves the series from origin story to Prohibition folklore, honoring the dock workers who helped move Canadian Club during the smuggling era. Officially, it leans darker and more oak-shaped than the 41yrs: deep mahogany in color, with caramel, dark fruit, leather, vanilla, and warming spice carrying through a long, layered finish. It matters because it turns a house known for easy elegance into something older, duskier, and more overtly historical without losing its composure.

• **Canadian Club 44 Years Old Chronicles Issue No. 4 ‘The Whisky Sixes’** — \$156 — 45% ABV — #TBD

With Issue No. 4, Canadian Club ties the Chronicles line to the six-cylinder roadsters that ferried whisky across the frozen Detroit River during Prohibition, giving this 44-year-old release one of the range’s most vivid historical anchors. In the glass it stays graceful rather than heavy: honey, vanilla, warm spice, caramel, toffee, ripe fruit, and oak unfold in a long, quietly confident finish. It matters as one of the most mature official Canadian Club releases and one of the clearest examples of the brand turning archive-age stock into narrative whisky.

• **Canadian Club 6 Years Old (1972) — Hiram Walker era** — \$78 — 40% ABV — #TBD

This is best read as a period Hiram Walker bottling of old-school Canadian Club rather than a modern prestige release: a 6-year blend from the label era when the brand’s identity was still built on reliability, dryness, and easy-drinking structure. I’m treating the ‘1972’ marking as the Canadian tax-strip year for the youngest whisky in the bottle, not as a bottle that somehow kept aging after glass. It matters as a snapshot of everyday Canadian whisky before the category’s current luxury turn.

• **Crown Royal Fine Deluxe — \$23 — 80 proof**

Fine De Luxe is still the core Crown Royal statement: an 80-proof Canadian blend described by brand-linked retail material as being meticulously assembled from 50 distinct whiskies, with a silky texture and the familiar house notes of vanilla, oak, and gentle sweetness. The appeal is not drama but polish—soft honeyed grain, caramel, toffee, faint rye spice, and a rounded, slightly creamy finish that makes the whisky feel composed in exactly the way Crown Royal intends. What makes it matter is that this is the bottle that fixed the brand’s identity in the public mind: refined, easy, and smoother than almost anyone expects a mass-market Canadian blend to be.

• **Crown Royal Northern Harvest Rye — \$23 — 90 proof**

Northern Harvest Rye was introduced as a rye-led extension of the Crown Royal range and is consistently described across manufacturer-note retailers and specialist merchants as being built from a 90% rye mash whisky, bottled at 45% ABV. That rye content gives the whisky more grain definition than standard Deluxe, but the style stays unmistakably Crown Royal: creamy in texture, with spiced vanilla, butterscotch, fruit, clove, and a broad, approachable finish rather than the sharper profile many drinkers expect from rye. What makes it matter is its place in the modern category story—this was the bottle that won Jim Murray’s 2016 World Whisky of the Year, the first Canadian whisky ever to take that title.

• **Crown Royal 18 Years Old Extra Rare Blended Canadian Whisky** — \$51 — 40% ABV — #TBD

Crown Royal Aged 18 Years is presented as a rare blend of three exceptional whiskies, matured for no less than 18 years and shaped toward the brand's polished, velvety house style. Vanilla and stone fruit lead, followed by light oak, caramel spice, and a lingering nougat note that keeps the finish round and composed. It matters because Crown Royal was born from the 1939 royal-tour blend, and this bottle reframes that regal, smooth-speaking identity as a mature three-whisky prestige release rather than a cask-finish experiment.

• **Crown Royal Bourbon Mash** — \$23 — 80 proof

Released in the Blender's Series, Bourbon Mash was built from a bourbon-style mash bill and aged in a combination of new charred American oak and ex-bourbon barrels, with Crown Royal-linked retail descriptions emphasizing warm vanilla, caramel, and subtle oak as the defining notes. The whiskey does lean toward bourbon language—corn sweetness, fresh oak, brown sugar, and a rounder barrel impression than most Crown Royal bottlings—but it never stops behaving like Canadian blended whisky, with smoothness still taking precedence over raw wood or proof. What makes it matter is the experiment itself: this was Crown Royal deliberately testing how far its blenders could move toward bourbon structure without giving up the house style's softness and control.

• **Crown Royal Noble 16yr Rye** — \$34 — 90 proof

Rye Aged 16 Years was one of the headline entries in Crown Royal's Noble Collection, and the most consistent technical descriptions agree on the essentials: 16 years old, 45% ABV, rye-led, and matured in a mix of new and once-used barrels. Where sources diverge is the exact mash bill—some list 90% rye, others 95% rye and 5% malted barley—so I would avoid hard-locking that number on a menu unless the bottle is in hand. What is clear is the profile and the intent: vanilla, butterscotch, baking spice, ripe cherry, minty pine, clove oil, and seasoned oak, all presented as mature Crown Royal rye rather than as a blender's component hidden inside a broader mix. What makes it matter is that it treats old Canadian rye as prestige whisky in its own right, which is still rarer than it should be.

• **Crown Royal Reserve 12 Year** — \$37 — 80 proof 40%ABV

• **Entrapment 25 Years Old Orphan Barrel** — \$75 — 41% ABV — #TBD

Drawn from mature Crown Royal stock distilled in 1992 and aged in Gimli, Manitoba, Entrapment is a 25-year release built on a 97% corn, 3% malted barley recipe and issued through Orphan Barrel's archive-minded line of once-only bottlings. The style is quiet but assured—polished oak, dried fruit, caramel, and nutty sweetness rather than brute force. It matters because it presents very old Canadian whisky as a collector's release with real maturity and restraint, not just rarity for rarity's sake.

• **Forty Creek Barrel Select** — \$23 — 80 proof

Barrel Select is the foundational Forty Creek bottling, first released in 2000 and built from individually aged grain whiskies made from rye, barley, and corn, with the house maturing those components in seasoned ex-bourbon barrels and new American white oak before blending. That method gives it a broad but tidy Canadian profile—honey, vanilla, orange peel, apricot, toasted oak, cocoa, and a restrained rye lift—carried by the smooth, easy texture that helped define the brand. What makes it matter is that this was the blend that introduced Forty Creek's now-familiar idea of separately aged grains assembled with real intent rather than treated as anonymous blender's stock.

• **Forty Creek Confederation Oak Reserve — \$54 — 80 proof 40% ABV**

J.P. Wiser's is one of the grandees of Canadian whisky: a house whose roots reach back to 1857, when J.P. Wiser began distilling in Prescott, Ontario. What has always set it apart is a refusal to rush quality; Wiser built his reputation by aging whisky longer than many competitors of his era, a philosophy that still defines the brand. Today, made at the historic Hiram Walker & Sons Distillery in Windsor, its style is shaped by expert blending, mature composure, and the dramatic seasonal swings of the Detroit River corridor. The result is a whisky of polish and quiet authority, where elegance is earned through patience rather than spectacle.

• **J.P. Wiser's 35 Years Old Canadian Whisky — \$79 — 50% ABV — #TBD**

Part of the 2017 Northern Border Collection, this bottling was drawn from some of Hiram Walker's oldest reserves and composed from corn whisky aged in ex-bourbon barrels together with column- and pot-distilled rye matured in virgin oak. The profile reads broad, creamy, and elegant—maple, vanilla, orange, antique wood, and soft spice held in unusually fine balance for the age. It matters as one of Wiser's clearest prestige statements, and it went on to be named World's Best Canadian Blended Whisky.

• **J.P. Wiser's EX LIBRIS 'Smaller Hero' 22 Years Old 1998 — \$83 — 64.5% ABV — #TBD**

Distilled in 1998 and bottled in 2021 by La Maison du Whisky for the Ex Libris series, 'Smaller Hero' is a 22-year-old Hiram Walker/J.P. Wiser's release matured in refill or seasoned oak, with an outturn listed at 1,428 bottles. At full strength it reads darker and more bookish than standard Wiser's—polished wood, apricot, salted caramel, ginger, old-paper spice, and a long, warming finish. It matters because it moves Wiser's into serious independent-bottling territory without losing its Windsor backbone.

• **Glen Breton Rare Malt 19yr — \$67 — 86 proof**

Glen Breton 19 is a Canadian single malt made at Glenora Distillery in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, distilled from 100% malted barley and matured on site for 19 years in oak casks, with the producer emphasizing its long development through Cape Breton's seasonal climate. The whisky reads mature without becoming inert: orange zest, pine freshness, honey, brine, subtle smoke, then pepper, cedar, lemon, hazelnut, and maple on a long finish. What makes it matter is the distillery behind it—Glenora describes itself as North America's first single malt whisky distillery, and the 19-year stands as one of the most mature, fully realized expressions of that Cape Breton single malt project.

• **Lot 40 Single Copper Pot Rye — \$23 — 86 proof**

Lot No. 40 is made entirely from rye grain, distilled in a traditional single copper pot still, and matured in virgin white oak, a production recipe that immediately sets it apart from the softer blended-rye tradition many drinkers still associate with Canadian whisky. The whisky is direct and unapologetic in the best way—heavy rye spice, white pepper, roasted walnuts, English toffee, dark fruit, and a warming finish, with enough floral and fruity nuance to keep the palate from narrowing into pure spice. What makes it matter is the clarity of the concept: this is Canadian rye presented not as a background note in a blend, but as a full-bodied pot-distilled whiskey with its own unmistakable structure.

• **Pendleton Blended Hood River — \$23 — 80 proof**

Pendleton Original is an oak-barrel-aged Canadian whisky, distilled in Canada and then cut before bottling with glacier-fed spring water from Mt. Hood, a step the brand treats as central to its soft, polished profile. The official tasting notes lean toward vanilla, honey, butterscotch, custard, warm fall fruit, and a hint of cinnamon bark, all landing in a medium, notably smooth finish that feels designed for immediate ease rather than stern complexity. What makes it matter is the brand identity wrapped around it: Hood River's Pendleton is built as a rodeo-linked Canadian whisky for the American West, and Original remains the bottle that states that crossover most clearly.

• **Pendleton Directors 20yr — \$49 — 80 proof**

Directors' Reserve is Pendleton's ultra-premium blended Canadian whisky, aged 20 years in American oak barrels and cut with pure glacier-fed spring water from Oregon's Mt. Hood before bottling. The producer frames it as a whiskey of toasted oak, spiced apples, and pears, and that mature fruit-and-wood profile fits the broader style: calmer, fuller, and more stately than Original, but still committed to the brand's polished, easy-drinking line. What makes it matter is the dedication behind the label—this bottle is expressly tied to the directors of the Pendleton Round-Up, turning the brand's rodeo mythology into its clearest prestige statement.

JAPAN

Japan had a long history with distillation before its introduction to whisky in 1853 but, due to the isolationist Sakoku policy enforced during the Edo period, did not possess the technology or expertise to create ageworthy, whisky-like spirits. Most Japanese distilleries continued to use wooden stills while the rest of the world moved onto copper.

With whisky becoming increasingly popular and its import becoming common from 1871, Japanese companies raced to find a way to meet demand with locally created whisky. Several producers of Japan's native spirit Shochu attempted to replicate whisky using existing technologies and commercial additives, some of which were toxic industrial by-products. One company, Settsu Shuzo, chose to send one of its employees to Scotland to discover how whisky was made. Masataka Taketsuru arrived in Scotland at the end of 1918 and enrolled in the University of Glasgow. He studied organic chemistry and became an apprentice at the Longmorn, Bo'ness, and Hazelburn distilleries. Upon returning to Japan, Taketsuru's expertise and notes led to the development of three of Japan's most important companies - Suntory, Nikka, and Mars (Hombo Shuzo) - and defined the style of Japanese whisky for generations. Today's whisky producers in Japan can be categorized either as traditionalists or as innovators of a new Japanese style.

Eigashima Shuzo was founded in 1888 by Hyokichi Urabe during a period of renewed interest in sake and shochu production in Japan. The founder merged seven different sake producers together - a rare event in Japan - and began sake production while expanding operations into distillation. Several buildings were underway producing both sake and shochu by 1919, leading to confidence in the government providing Eigashima with Japan's first whisky distillation

license! 1984 saw the completion of the White Oak Distillery in Hyogo and, in 2007, the Akashi brand was launched.

• **Akashi Red Wine Cask — Cask #61691 — \$59 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

Matured for five years in a red wine cask, ripe red berries, cherry skin, and soft tannin echo the influence of the wine-seasoning married with a nutty, oaky profile that melts into an aromatic finish, expressing baking spices and candied citrus. This release was limited to 510 bottles.

• **Akashi Sake Cask 5 Years (Eigashima Shuzo) — \$63 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

Sweet vanilla cream and walnut aromas indicate the complexity imparted by two years in a sake cask. The palate is buttery and sweet with notes of banana and dark chocolate, a faint impression of blood orange gives way to a mature, woody finish.

• **Akashi Sommelier Series Pinot Noir Wine Cask Finish — #A6759 — \$69 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

Aged four years in ex-bourbon barrels, then reracked for 18 months in French oak Pinot Noir casks enforce bottling and released in limited supply. Red cherry, cranberry, soft leather, and baking spice suggest the wine-finish influence over Akashi's base spirit. The finish is reserved yet firm, with the spicier, leathery notes relenting to a sweet, rich essence of blackberry jam.

• **Akashi Sherry Cask 5 Years — \$59 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

Chichibu distillery is a modern, craft, niche producer of an exceptional variety of some of the planet's best whiskies. Though his family's experience in alcohol production dates back 500 years, Ichiro Akuto's journey was heavily defined by Japan's 'Lost Decades.' Ichiro's grandfather started a distillery in 1941 for the production of a range of spirits that included shochu, rum, and whisky. By the mid 1990's, the family was forced to sell the business due to Japan's economic recession. Before the company changed hands, Akuto-san saved 400 barrels of whisky, some of which had been aging for 20 years or more, and slowly began to bottle and release them. One series of Hanyu releases, the Playing Cards, became an international sensation and helped establish Japanese cult whiskies around the world. Ichiro built his own distillery in his hometown of Chichibu with a cooperage on site to build his own barrels. He uses mizunara barrels to ferment his mashes and, aside from several core releases such as his Editions and World blends, focuses on single cask, cask strength whiskies that don't typically exceed 300 bottles per release. The Chichibu II distillery, opened in 2019 to help meet demand for Chichibu whisky, uses French oak barrels for its washbacks.

• **Chichibu Single Cask Malt Usagida Winery Merlot Cask 2013 – 2022 (8 Years) — \$99 — 124 proof / 62% ABV**

This single malt matured entirely in a locally sourced Merlot wine cask, earning a rich amber hue and a complex aroma of varnished wood, bittersweet cocoa, and rich maple syrup. The palate is bold and heavy with an oily texture and a bouquet of earthy, spicy, and richly sweet tones. The finish is long and buttery with hints of nougat and grapes.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Whisky Festival 2023 Cask #11691 — \$35 — 112 proof / 56% ABV**

This special edition release for the 2023 Matsuri Whisky Festival came from a single ex-bourbon aged cask and finished in a Matsuri Kuma beer hogshead. The nose is malt sweet with subtle

woody undertones. The palate is oily and heavy with an earthiness that gives way to ripening fruit and a delicate hoppy note. The lingering finish rolls over from a rich sweetness to warmer baking spices.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #1487 — \$227 — 122 proof / 61% ABV**

A 2018 single cask release limited to 239 bottles, this malt matured for 6 years in a custom Mizunara hogshead, imparting an oaky, peppery aroma that melts into sweet corn and delicate citrus notes. The body is bold and rich, with notes of honey and vanilla backed by fresh gingerbread. The finish is long and warming with gentle fall spices settling in.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #2134 'Year of the Rat' bottle no. 1/201 — \$329 — 128.6 proof / 64.3% ABV**

This six year old malt, released in 2019, was distilled from Concerto barley and matured for six years in an ex-bourbon cask, earning a clean nuttiness on the nose that pairs with overripe melon and hints of apricot and fresh baked biscuits. The palate is rich and full bodied with delicate undertones of apricot and vanilla. The palate, warm and malty rich with lingering spice.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #2345 'Year of the Boar' bottle no. 1/204 — \$329 — 127 Proof / 63.5% ABV**

This 2019 malt was distilled from Braemar barley before its 6 year ex-bourbon maturation, giving it an aroma of fresh hay and stone fruit with a honeyed malt undertone. The palate showcases intricate balance with allspice and cinnamon undercut by warm dates and citrus peel. A lingering finish continues the delicate complexity with bittersweet almond brittle and baking spice.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #3810 'Year of the Ox' (bottle 48/179) — \$329 — 128.2 Proof / 64.1% ABV**

This 2021 release was distilled from Concerto barley and aged in a single ex-bourbon barrel for six years. The whisky subsequently developed a punchy, vanilla-forward nose that is true to the butterscotch sweet, bourbon-informed palate. The sweetness turns to a yeasty malt quality as baking spices and dried fruit escort in a long, aromatic, tannin-dry finish with notes of baked grain and citrus zest.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Single Cask #12507 'Tomodachi Cask' — \$127 — 125 proof / 62.5% ABV**

A member of the cult-classic 'Winnie the Pooh' series, this 2024 single barrel release of 260 bottles was aged for 9 years in a Kosu white wine cask, earning a bright aroma of ripe pear and sweet barley with a hint of lemon peel. The body is silky and soft with notes of lemon curd and nutmeg making way for herbal undertones. The finish is clean and bittersweet, with oaky vanilla undercut by lingering citrus.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #7086 'Year of the Rabbit' — \$329 — 127.6 proof / 63.8% ABV**

This 2016 expression was limited to 220 bottles of Ichiro's malt that was entirely matured in an ex-bourbon barrel that previously held heavily peated malt. Bottled from cask #7086 at 63.8% ABV, distilled in 2016, aged 7 years in a first-fill ex-bourbon barrel; limited to ~264 bottles. Rich caramel, tropical fruit, vanilla bean and bold oak spice show the raw strength and cask transparency of young Chichibu malt. Its significance lies in Chichibu's single-barrel programme—offering high-proof, small-batch expressions that highlight freedom of maturation and bold character.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #7180 'The Crow' — \$112 — 123.8 proof / 61.9% ABV**

This single cask expression, one of just 264 bottles, was distilled from Concerto barley and aged in a red wine cask for six years, earning an aroma of red fruit and almond among a malty sweetness. Carmelized apple and baking spices lead a tannin-dry palate with an undercurrent of gingery spice. The palate is long and creamy with a sugary shortbread note, and a lingering, oaky pepper undertone. Part of the 'Drawing Demon' series of bottlings with labels that honor Edo period satirist Kwanabe Kyosai.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #5790 'Bird and Snake' — \$135 — 127.4 proof / 63.7% ABV**

Another entry in the 'Drawing Demon' series honoring Edo period artist Kwanabe Kyosai. 188 bottles were drawn from a single first-fill ex-bourbon barrel matured for 7 years and released in 2024. Bright red fruit and honeycomb on the nose follow through caramel apple and toasted oak spice. The finish is elegant and long with the sweet character facing out for a warm oaky pepper note.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #5882 'Clever Cask' — \$355 — 129.4 proof / 64.7% ABV**

Another member of the 'Winnie the Pooh' series, this malt was distilled from Odyssey barley and aged 8 years in a single first fill ex-bourbon barrel, with just 149 bottles released in 2024. The nose suggests ripe apples and shortcake, reflecting an oily and sweet palate with a complex sweetness layered atop delicate undertones of walnuts and dried citrus.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #7084 'Lazy Cask' — \$355 — 128 proof / 64% ABV**

Another member of the 'Winnie the Pooh' series, this malt was distilled from Propino barley and aged 7 years in a single second fill ex-bourbon barrel that previously held peated malt, with just 149 bottles released in 2024. Aromas of dried apple and fresh brioche with a faint hint of smoke indicate a complex palate, rich and full bodied with honey sweet notes playing against gentle salinity and white pepper before a long, smoky finish with undercurrents of sweet cream and spiced oak.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #7180 Red Wine Cask (6 yrs) — \$78 — 123.8 proof / 61.9% ABV**

Distilled in 2016, matured six years in a single red-wine-seasoned cask (#7180) and bottled 2023. Candied orange, lemon-marmalade, shortbread and light leather show how fruit-wine barrel seasoning transforms young malt into a layered profile. Its significance lies in Chichibu's pioneering wine-barrel finishing for short-age whiskies—extending Japanese craftsmanship into new cask territories.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #4337 'Year of the Dragon' — \$329 — 122 proof / 61.0% ABV**

This 2022 expression was distilled entirely with floor-malted Concerto barley and aged 7 years in an ex-bourbon barrel, with only 163 bottles released exclusively to the US market. A single-cask release from Chichibu distilled using Concerto barley, matured 7 years in a single ex-bourbon barrel and bottled at full strength (61% ABV). Vanilla wafer, dried apple skin, light oak spice and chalky dryness reflect the distillery's floor-malted barley and high-activity young maturation. Its significance lies in being a fully-transparent numbered cask with detailed provenance, emblematic of Chichibu's craft-single-cask ethos.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #7086 — \$227 — 63.8% ABV / 128 proof**

A single barrel from Chichibu, matured 7 years in a first-fill ex-bourbon barrel, bottled cask-strength at 63.8% ABV. Buttercream, dried pear, light peat and toasted oak reflect Chichibu's experimental 'young but bold' direction. Its significance lies in the distillery's embrace of short-age, high-proof single cask releases—pushing Japanese whisky beyond traditional age-statement norms.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu Cask #7180 (Red Wine Cask) — \$177 — 61.9% ABV / 123.8 proof**
Distilled in 2016, matured 6 years in a single red-wine-seasoned cask (bottled 2023), then released at full strength (61.9% ABV). Candied orange peel, shortbread, soft leather and fruit-wood tannin reflect the wine-cask influence over Chichibu's vibrant malt. Its significance lies in being part of the distillery's bold new cask programme—young age but strong character through finishing technique.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu London Edition 2022 — \$197 — 103 proof / 51.5% ABV**
A special release of 1,861 bottles for the 2022 Whisky Show London, this malt marries spirit aged in nine different cask types including oloroso, cognac, and Chichibu's bespoke 'Chibidaru' (チビ樽), quarter-scale casks. The result is an exquisitely balanced whisky that contrasts ripe tropical fruit with mellow, reserved oaky notes in a cask-informed, full bodied palate. The finish is delicate and lingering with a vanilla-cream-sweet texture and an herbal undertone of incense.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'The Peated' 2015 Cask Strength — \$157 — 124 proof / 62.0% ABV**
The third of Chichibu's 'Peated' releases, this cask strength expression brings undiluted bravado to the series. The nose is earthy and assertive, with delicate salinity and pine trees suggesting the malt's depth and complexity. The palate is rich with notes of dark chocolate and roasted cinnamon accenting a hearty backdrop of peat smoke. The finish is slow and measured with delicate mineral notes underscored by a persistent smoky texture.

• **Ichiro's Malt & Grain World Whisky — \$27 — 93 proof / ABV 46.5%**
A craft blend of select whiskies from Canada, Ireland, Scotland, the United States, and Chichibu's own Japanese malts, vatted at the Chichibu distillery and aged in ex-bourbon and sherry casks. Candied apricot and caramel on the nose indicate a light, delicate body that is toffee-sweet with subtle undertones of white pepper and baking spice. The finish is drying and mellow with a lingering vanilla note and a warming ginger tone.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'Chibi Daru' (Quarter-Cask series) — \$99 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**
Matured in bespoke, quarter-scale casks constructed from mizunara oak custom for the Chichibu distillery. The small casks increase the amount of contact the spirit makes with the wood, shaping the fruity, floral aroma and the silky, spicy body. The palate trades notes of plum and candied peach for ginger spice and vegetal oak notes. The finish is warm and lingering with complex notes of dark chocolate and a faint hint of citrus.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'Malt Dream Cask #547' (2009–2015, 6 yrs) — \$600/\$1,200 — 123.4 proof / 61.7% ABV**
The 'Malt Dream' single cask releases are ultra rare expressions typically reserved for friends of the distillery and private partnerships. Cask 547 was matured for six years in a bourbon barrel, earning a vanilla quality that lingers under a malty sweet aroma. The palate is oily and rich with a note of ripe green apple and a faint meatiness amid the body. The finish is dry and warm with a peppery note and delicate acidity.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'MWR – Mizunara Wood Reserve' — \$123 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A limited release that vats together spirit that has been aged in mizunara oak, imparting floral notes, sandalwood and incense on the nose. The palate is light and spicy with oaky orchard fruit notes arising behind a peppery kick. A faint grapefruit-bittersweet note in the background gives way to a brief, warm finish with an oaky sweet undertone.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'On the Way 2024' — \$176 — 109 proof / 54.5% ABV**

The return of the 'On the Way' series, this release was distilled entirely from floor malted barley and aged between 9 and 15 years in a variety of ex-bourbon, mizunara oak, and wine casks before vatting. The nose is accordingly layered, bright and dry with toasted barley, honeyed fruit, and citrus peel underneath. The palate is creamy and rich with fresh pineapple and pear giving way to delicate notes of caramel and cinnamon. The finish is lingering and warm with a sweet cinnamon afterthought.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'Red Wine Cask 2023' (#10292/11800)— \$112 —101 proof / 50.5% ABV**

A single malt vatting of whiskies aged 6-13 years in red wine casks from France, Japan, New Zealand, and the United States, earning a complex aroma of ripe dark red fruits mingling with malty honey and cocoa. The palate is creamy with a vinous dry quality and a rich candied fruit reigning over a very delicate anise note. The finish is warm with a bittersweet juxtaposition of creamy chocolate and cinnamon spice.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu 'The Peated' 2022 Edition — \$105 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

This bourbon cask aged malt was the first 'Peated' expression after four years out of stock. The aroma is unmistakably peat-forward with delicate fruit and oceanic salinity underneath. The palate is rounded and layered, with tropical fruit, ripe apples, and vanilla balancing rich sweetness with herbal rosemary and bittersweet citrus notes before an ever-present peat smoke. The finish is decadent and textured with ashy cocoa notes giving way to baked fruit, honey, and smoke.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu The US Edition 2019 — \$109 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV**

A NAS single malt aged in ex-bourbon and mizunara hogsheads, the nose is sweet with fresh apples and a wine-dry quality with an oaky, peated undertone. The palate is creamy, berry sweet with a citric roundness to it. There is more gentle wooded peat smoke leading to a lingering, oily finish that continues the balance of rounded sweetness with smoke.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu The US Edition 2021 (bottle 945/2150) — \$99 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

A limited U.S.-exclusive vatting of Chichibu malts aged 4–10 years in ex-bourbon, sherry hogsheads, and Mizunara casks, bottled from a 2,150-bottle run. Candied citrus, biscuit, green apple and subtle incense show the wood diversity and the firm backbone of young Chichibu distillate. Its significance lies in the maturation-layered style that positioned the 2021 US Edition as one of Chichibu's benchmark international releases.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu The US Edition 2022 (bottle 660/2233) — \$97 —104.6 proof / 52.3% ABV**

Composed from a blend of bourbon barrels, wine casks, and refill hogsheads aged 4–9 years, this 2022 US Edition was bottled at 52.3% ABV with an outturn of 2,233 bottles. Red currant, honeycomb, vanilla bean and toasted oak reflect the hybrid maturation, while the proof

preserves Chichibu's vivid orchard-fruit character. Its significance lies in evolving the US Edition series toward broader cask experimentation, giving collectors a snapshot of Chichibu's expanding wood program.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu The US Edition 2023 'Commodore Perry' — \$91 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

A U.S.-exclusive release matured in a mix of American oak, refill sherry hogsheads and new Japanese-oak components, bottled at 53.5% ABV. Loquat, melon, citrus peel and polished spice elevate the malt's brightness while honouring the maritime-historical 'Commodore Perry' theme. Its significance lies in Chichibu's cross-cultural editions—pairing Japanese craft malt with a U.S.-specific narrative that broadens the house's story abroad.

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu The US Edition 2024 'Mickey Mouse' — \$91 — 105 proof / 52.5% ABV**

A U.S.-exclusive 2024 bottling matured in 15 ex-bourbon barrels and one refill sherry hogshead (4–10 years), bottled at 52.5% ABV. Chalky orchard fruit, biscuit, green herbs and soft oak spice reflect the young-malt vibrancy and blended-cask layering. Its significance lies in continuing Chichibu's annual U.S. Edition tradition—with the playful Mickey-themed label marking one of the most collectible modern releases. *(Reused exactly from Batch 8 as requested.)*

• **Ichiro's Malt & Grain Limited Edition — \$62 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A more refined take on the original whisky, this blend still hails from the same five nations that rule the whisky world, but the selected components here are aged a minimum of 10 years, with some having aged for as many as 40 years, before being married and bottled in Saitama. The aroma is delicate and bright, with fresh baked apple pie accented by sweet corn and white pepper. The palate is light and oily with banana cream and powdered sugar giving way to a delicate ginger spice. The finish is decadently long and toffee sweet, subsiding into a pleasant white-tea-dryness.

• **Ichiro's Malt 'Malt and Grain — \$33 — 111 Proof**

• **Ichiro's Malt Chichibu #7634 — \$250 — Proof**

Suntory, or 'Beam-Suntory' since the Japanese company swallowed the largest Bourbon maker a few years back, is not only the #1 producer of whisky in Japan, but also the first one to do so...back in 1924 when the Yamazaki distillery came to life, it was the first time a genuine whisky -in a Scottish style- was crafted in the land of the Rising Sun. Fast forward to the 70's and Hakushu is created, and will soon become the largest single malt distillery in the world, only to be scaled down as the economy along with the world's demand for fine whisky collapsed. Today, just about every single malt coming out of either distillery is the object of collectors' attention. But it is also true for the blended whisky brand started in 1984 Hibiki, of which only the entry level 'Harmony' seems to have met an offer/demand equilibrium. The various blends in the Suntory portfolio share the common base of Chita grain whiskies, and all distilleries, single malts and single grains, make a plethora of styles, allowing for a greater flavor creation capability. But the biggest advantage the house of Suntory displays is its near monopoly on the Japanese oak-made barrel stock: the famous Mizunara wood!

• **Chita Distillery Single Grain (Suntory) — \$34 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

An understated nose of oaky coconut with floral, sweet undertones reflects the soft, delicate body. The palate is smooth and creamy with the brighter honey and citrus notes let through a very gentle spice that informs the brief finish.

• **Hibiki 12 Years — \$159 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

The first of the Hibiki blends to cease production due to insurmountable demand. Complex aromas of tea spices and sandalwood relate an intricately layered palate that balances sweet notes of butter scotch and lemon peel with delicate tones of cinnamon and citrus. The finish is long and richly sweet with an herbal, soothing spice.

• **Hibiki 17 Years — \$318 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

The very first Age-Statement Hibiki release, the 17 was an icon of Japanese whisky and a globally lauded and awarded blend before it suspended production. Baked peaches and caramel on the nose reflect a creamy, orchard-fruit-sweetness on the palate that play impeccably with delicate notes of tea leaves and salinity. The finish is warm and sweet with a gentle, herbal undertone.

• **Hibiki 17 Years 'Painted Bottle' (Ceramic Decanter) — \$359 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

An even rarer bottling of the increasingly scarce blend of Suntory's finest teenaged stock, this selection was bottled for the Kacho Fugetsu (literally translated, 'Flowers, Bird, Wind, Moon,' it refers to the process of discovering oneself in nature) line with hand painted decanters depicting scenes of nature. Expect a similarly creamy, sweet profile bringing stone fruit and apple-bright sweetness with layered, textured tones of earthy malt and faint salty sea air that echo the natural serenity and beauty of the land between Suntory's Yamazaki and Hakushu distilleries painted on the supremely rare decanter.

• **Hibiki 21 Years — \$283 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

A wonderful expression showcasing the effects of aging Suntory's flagship blend, the sweetness on the nose here adopts a floral, herbal quality as peach trees and sandalwood present after 21 years in American, French, and Japanese oak. The palate is creamy with a white chocolate note that leads tones of honeyed spice and a distinct woodiness. The finish is elegant and bittersweet with notes of cocoa and walnut and just a hint of Mizunara oak.

• **Hibiki 30 Years — \$1,200/\$2,400 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

The nose is richly complex with leathery herbal notes giving way to prunes and honey roasted chestnuts with a well oaked throughline. The intricate palate maintains its velvety thick body while flavors of apricot jam and brown sugar dance with darker notes of winter spice and cedar. The rich, lingering finish echoes these notes with lasting spiced Mizunara.

• **Hibiki Blender's Choice — \$119 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

While Blender's Choice is a NAS blend, Hibiki has stated that the whiskies used for the Blender's Choice range in age from 12 to 30 years, with an average age of 15. The profound influence of wine cask finishing brings notes of ripe dates and a woody quality on the nose that amplifies the typical Hibiki sweetness. There is a hearty oakiness to the body that melts into a sweet wine note with vanilla and delicate spice flowing into a dry, Mizunara finish.

• **Hibiki Blossom Harmony 2022 — \$159 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

A seasonal release of the legacy Harmony blend, Blossom Harmony is defined by its finishing in Sakura (cherry blossom) wood. The aroma is delicate and floral, trading in equal parts oak and

vanilla. The palate is similarly delicate with honeyed raisins and oak spice giving way to a dry, herbal finish with notes of incense and muted Mizunara.

• **Hibiki Harmony Painted Bottle (Mt. Fuji Edition) — \$119 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

A limited edition release of Hibiki Harmony adorned in a hand painted decanter. The balance and rounded nature of the Harmony blend echoes the natural serenity and dignified peace found in the Japanese mountains, with the Yamazaki, Hakushu, and Chita distilleries on its borders. This release celebrates the union of these distilleries and nature through the elegantly rich, intricate Harmony blend.

• **Hibiki 12 Years Travel Exclusive — \$97 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Hibiki Mellow Harmony — \$119 — XX proof / XX% ABV**

• **Hibiki Master's Select Painted Bottle — \$109 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **The Essence of Suntory Whisky 2019 — Blended Clean Type — \$259 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A limited experimental blend from Suntory's 'Essence' line focusing on cedar head cask and white oak cask aged Hakushu single malts blended with Chita grain. The nose is accordingly wooded and grassy with hints of caramel and seaweed. The palate is oily and sweet with a strong cedar character. The finish is sweet and fragrant with enduring cedar notes.

• **The Essence of Suntory Whisky 2019 — Blended Rich Type — \$259 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This 'Essence' blend focused on a stock of Yamazaki aged 18 years in cedar head casks blended with sherry and mizunara aged Yamazaki, as well as Chita single grain. The aroma emits caramelized fruit and sweet corn with an undercurrent of clove and nutmeg. The palate is sweet and dry with a delicate sherry acidity, milk chocolate and grape make way for a bittersweet chocolatey finish with a subtle but lingering cedar note.

• **The Essence of Suntory Whisky 2020 — \$259 — Chita Distillery Sakura-Cask Finish — 100 proof / 50 ABV**

This 'Essence' whisky showcases Chita single grain stock aged between 12 and 21 years, vatted and finished for 3 months in a sakura cask. The sakura finish is prevalent on the nose, with candied orange and a clean, grain sweetness. The palate is slick and rich, with peach and honeysuckle complimented by gentle spice and prevalent wood. The finish is delicate and lingering with war. sweetness and a pronounced sakura impression.

• **The Essence of Suntory Whisky 2020 — Rice Whisky — \$259 — 112 proof / 56% ABV**

A truly rare expression, this 'Essence' whisky was produced at acclaimed sake brewery Osumi, in a novel procedure for the brewery. The nose is creamy with sandalwood incense and gingery plum. The palate is loud and vibrant, with creamy marshmallow sweetness tugging at grassy oak. The finish is brief and dry with a toasted rice note.

Fuji Gotemba was founded in the foothills of Mt. Fuji between the volcano and Tokyo in 1972 by the companies Kirin, Seagram, Chivas Brothers, and Four Roses. The goal was to use Scottish pot stills alongside American and Canadian distillation techniques. Its unique location, which experiences considerably cooler

temperatures than other parts of Central Japan, closely mirrors parts of the Scottish Highlands. Kirin Holdings took full ownership of Fuji Gotemba in 2002 and hired former winemaker and Four Roses distiller Jota Tanaka to lead the project during the 2010s. In 2021, the U.S. market had its first opportunity to taste the smooth and elegant distillate produced at Fuji.

• **Fuji 'Masterpiece' 2022 — \$163 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

A NAS blend including whiskies aged over 30 years in a roster of Bourbon, red wine, and beer casks, the aroma emits treacle and oak ahead of a reserved, wine-like fruit quality. The palate is full bodied and sweet with notes of candied fig crashing over mellow toasted grains and cornbread. The finish is dry with an herbal, almost minty spice creeping in, and a faint, hoppy whisper.

• **Fuji 30 yrs 2022 Edition — \$700/\$1,400 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A superbly mature single grain aged in ex-bourbon barrels, the aroma is complex with spiced citrus washing over a deep, oaky backbone. The palate, decadently full and honeyed with notes of vanilla and maple syrup before a finish that pairs baked apple and cinnamon with a hint of salinity.

• **Fuji Gotemba Distiller Select Single Grain 2015–2020 (Bottle 2401) — \$59 — 106 proof / 53% ABV**

A single grain expression that presents a sweet aroma backed by rye spice and toasted oak. The palate is rounded and sweet with honeyed fruit accented by baking spices. The finish is tannin dry with woody undertones.

• **Fuji Gotemba Distiller Select Single Malt 2014–2020 (Bottle 2942) — \$59 — 102 proof / 51% ABV**

This single malt emits an aroma of candied ginger and caramel. The body is bourbon-forward with vanilla and honey notes falling before a distinct spice sweeps through the palate before a warm, buzzing finish.

• **Fuji Gotemba Distillery 50th Anniversary Edition CS Single Blended — \$177 — 102 proof / ABV 51%**

Released to commemorate the 50-year milestone of Fuji Gotemba, this cask-strength single blended edition combines malt and grain from the distillery matured in a variety of French and American oak, finished in specially selected casks to mark the occasion. Rich caramel, dried tropical fruit, incense and vibrant spice reflect the elevated strength and celebratory nature. Its significance lies in being a milestone release—capturing 50 years of Fuji's craftsmanship at a higher proof.

• **Fuji Gotemba Distillery 50th Anniversary Edition Single Grain — \$87 — 104 proof / 52% ABV**

This 'single' grain celebrates Fuji Gotemba's history with a series of single grains vatted into one iconic spirit. Aged mainly in ex-bourbon casks, the nose is characteristically sweet with subversive notes of maple, fig and bramble berries peeking through the palate. The finish is long but delicate with a distinct floral spice.

• **Fuji Single Grain — \$37 — 92 proof / 46%ABV**

• **Fuji Single Malt — \$37 — 92 Proof / 46% ABV**

Fukano Shuzo on Kyushu was created to produce high quality, regional shochu. In 1823, the Kuma-jochu produced here, which is now a legal designation of local production, was able to take advantage of the local rice and clean subterranean river water. In the late 1900s, Chizuru Fukano championed and further innovated clay pot and oak barrel maturation for the family's shochu, helping to inform the whisky production her son and seventh generation president Seiichiro Fukano would continue. These whiskies are 100% rice based, fermented by koji mold, and copper pot distilled.

• **Fukano 14 yrs Single Cask #59 (Cask 9203240125) — \$61 — 89 proof / 44.5% ABV**

The nose presents orchard fruit and creamy orange custard with underlying notes of rice flour and oak spice. The palate is rounded with peppery spice subduing fruity sweetness against a well oaked backbone that lingers through the finish. ***

A 14-year-old single cask from Fukushima's Fukano distillery, matured in a single first-fill cask (#59) for the full term, bottled at the distillery with full cask ID. Stone fruit, white pepper, nutmeg and subtle cedar show slow oxidative evolution in Japanese oak and the quiet cellaring of a boutique producer. Its significance lies in being a single-cask, age-stated boutique Japanese malt—rare outside the major houses.

• **Fukano Whisky 12 yrs Single Cask No 271 — \$47 — 84.4 proof / 42.2% ABV**

This single cask expression presents coconut milk and toasted oak on the nose with delicate undertones of bright caramel and cherry. The body is exquisitely layered with notes of cedar and winter spice brightened by honey and sweet, creamy vanilla. The finish lingers with an astringent barrel note. Matured for twelve years in one selected cask (#271) at Fukano Distillery, bottled at natural colour with no added sugar, this release shows dried pear, white chocolate, and cinnamon spice with a soft oak edge from refill barrels. Its significance lies in the independent bottling format and distillery transparency—an example of the small-producer growth in Japan's whisky scene.

• **The Fukano Edition #2021 — \$37 — 93.2 proof / 41.6% ABV**

This yearly limited bottle release comprises Fukano rice whisky stock aged in manzanilla and red wine casks before being married and bottled. The nose is toffee sweet with notes of ripe plums and blackcurrant with cinnamon and black pepper. The palate is deeply layered and rich with clear wine influence on the texture and aged fruit notes. Bramble and baking spices lead to a long, spicy finish with hints of ginger and black fruit.

• **The Fukano 200 year Anniversary Sherry Cask — \$41 — 84.6 proof / 42.3% ABV**

Hakushu, or 'white sand bar' for the land it stands on, is one of the most sought after Single malts right now...but that was not always the case: back in the 80's when (Japanese) domestic demand was at its highest, Hakushu was the largest single malt distillery in the world, with no less than 36 stills! A child of the 70's, Hakushu seems nestled in the heart of a forest -the place happens to host a bird sanctuary- in what is called the Japanese southern Alps. The style of Hakushu is, just like its older sister Yamazaki, multi-faceted. While Sherry casks and

Mizunara-built barrels are more scarce than at Yamazaki, many different barrels are used to make a very elegant, lightly peated spirit.

• **Hakushu 12 yrs — \$61 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

The forest-forward expression under the Suntory umbrella, the nose offers berries and subtle vegetal notes against an even more delicate hint of smoke. The bitty is waxy and rich with bright, fruity notes shining over a more reserved tobacco essence. The finish is herbal and sweet with gently smoked oak impressions.

• **Hakushu 18 Years — \$251 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

Aged 18 years with a marriage of ex-bourbon and refill french oak barrels, the aroma indicates flavors of ripe, juicy orchard fruit with a delicate, grassy note of peat smoke. The body is gentle and oily in texture, with tropical fruit and grapes sharing the stage with woody, herbaceous notes. The finish is building and longer than its predecessor, with delicate smoke and dried fruit.

• **Hakushu 18 Years Peated Malt 100th Anniversary Edition — \$453 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Celebrating the century of the Yamazaki Distillery's whisky production, this takes the original 18-year-malt and increases the level of peat smoke introduced by a factor of 6.5. The aroma is peat-forward, but impeccably balanced with ripe fruit and a subtle, grassy salinity. The body, extremely rich, as floral, fruity notes play delicately with the waves of peat smoke. The finish is long and perfumed, with an oaky, dry hum.

• **Hakushu 12 Years Peated Malt 100th Anniversary Edition — \$83 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Hakushu 18 Years Peated Malt 2024 Edition — \$421 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **Hakushu Kogei collection Peated Malt Spanish Oak — \$172 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

Kakiyo distillery was only recently founded in 2017 in Hyogo prefecture.

Settled in the town of Akashi (not to be confused with the Eigashima brand), the distillery produces the Hatozaki brand of whiskies. Light, clean, and modern, the youthful spirits put out by Kimio Yonezawa benefit from ex-Bourbon barrels with special editions that undergo unique, often traditionally Japanese finishes.

• **Hatokazi Omakase Collection 8 Years Pure Malt — \$32 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

This single malt was aged for 8 years in an ex Bourbon barrel and finished in Mizunara casks. The aroma emits heather honey and marzipan before a smooth, rich palate balancing the sweet and medicinal Mizunara spices with notes of stone fruit and fresh apple. The finish is measured and warm with a gingery buzz.

• **Hatokazi Umeshu Cask Finish 12 Years — \$41 — 96 proof / 46% ABV**

Aged in 12 years in American oak before 6 months in Umeshu casks, this small batch blended malt presents with a layered aroma of candied grape and milk chocolate. The palate is smooth and earthy with notes of fig jam and grapefruit. The finish, sweet with a hint of rounded citrus zest.

Yasato distillery is a new project from legacy sake and beer brewery Kiuchi. Known in the United States for their Hitachino brand of beers, the Hinomaru brand represents a unique and intentional approach to Japanese Whisky. The copper pot stills were custom built for the distillery by the legendary Forsyths Limited coppersmiths. Grains used by the distillery are grown in the area around Mount Tsukuba where the facility is located, and house-cultivated yeasts are used to initiate fermentation. Though the distillery was only opened in 2020, the output and quality of these small batch whiskies is impressive.

• **Hinomaru 2023 Celebration — \$25 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This NAS single malt from Kiuchi's Yasato Distillery was matured in ex-bourbon, sherry and red wine barrels. A fruity, floral aroma precedes a rich palate with sweet malt and vanilla lording over subtle orchard fruit and faint grassy undertones. The finish is long and smooth with delicate spiced oak.

• **Hinomaru 5 Years Port Cask Finish — \$25 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This young single malt matured for 4 years in a sherry cask before aging a final year in a port wine cask. The casks impart a rich jammy sweetness in the aroma with discernible notes of raisin and molasses. The palate is similarly velvety and thick with a profound sherry quality that widens to delicate spice and rich apricot before an exquisitely cask-forward finish.

• **Hinomaru 6 Years Sakura Cask — \$25 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This whisky was aged for six years in a cask made from Sakura (cherry blossom) wood, imparting an elegant floral character that accents the enduring chocolatey, honeyed malt notes that follow the aroma right down through the palate. Fresh red fruit and baking spices follow a clean, warm finish echoing floral tones and a reserved oaky note.

• **Hinomaru Hitachino Sakura Ra — \$25 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Kaiyo is a project by 'master blender' Jeffrey Karlovitch and founder Mr. Watanabe. This non-distilling producer sources malt whiskies from undisclosed distilleries around Japan and blends them, often using minor amounts of adjustment, to prevent single malt claims. The bottlings are often focused on unique finishes and blends of different wood treatments, though several examples emphasize single cask and single barrel-type expressions.

• **Kaiyo 'The Kuri No. 1' Chestnut wood finish — \$31 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A Japanese single malt matured for 7 years in first-fill Japanese kuri (chestnut) wood barrels and finished with 3 months ocean-maturation, produced by. Lavender, chestnut-honey, raisin and eucalyptus on the nose hint at the unusual wood and seaside aging. The finish is long and dry with a raspberry note.

• **Kaiyo Whisky 'The Rubi' Mizunara Oak Finish — \$45 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

A Japanese whisky matured in mizunara oak barrels for 3 years before its sea aging, then returned to mizunara for 7 more years before a final 4 month finish in first fill Ruby port pipes. Red cherry, white pepper, polished oak and wagyu-like waxy texture on the palate precede the finish, sweet and dry with a hint of dark berries.

- **Kaiyo – The Ramu 8 Years — \$31 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

Matured for 6 years in Japanese Mizunara oak and finished for 2 years in ex-Martinique rum barrels, the nose is fittingly complex with sweet fresh-baked pastry and caramel brushing against toasted almond and incense. The palate is rounded and sweet with rum raisin ice cream and sweet melon notes that give way to citrus peel and honeyed mizunara notes with a mellow, gingery spice before a long, buttery sweet finish.

- **Kaiyo – The Rye 10 Years — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A 10-year-old Japanese blended malt matured primarily in mizunara oak then finished in rye whiskey barrels sourced from Knob Creek Distillery. Gingerbread, dried fruit, and rye spice on the nose reflect its finishing. The palate is bold and spicy with citrus peel and oaky vanilla cream in the background. The palate is long with a subtle sweetness and a lingering grassy rye note.

- **Kaiyo ‘The Unicorn’ Very Rare Bourbon Finish — \$41 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

- **Kaiyo ‘The 1er Grand Cru’ French Oak Barrel Finish — \$47 — 92 proof 46% ABV**

- **Kaiyo ‘The Sheri-’ Mizunara Oak Finish — \$57 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

- **Kaiyo ‘the Single’ — \$27 — 88 proof / 44% ABV**

Kanosuke distillery is a modern project but the family has been making sake since 1883. Originally a producer of sake for temples and religious ceremonies, the family diversified into the shochu space. In 1957, the first oak matured shochu was introduced by Komasa Kanosuke and became a trademark of the company. When Yoshitsugu Kanosuke opened the Kanosuke distillery in 2017, its first output was matured in re-charred ex-shochu barrels from his family stores. Operating three copper pot stills at the Kanosuke distillery and seven stainless steel vacuum pots at their second Hioki distillery, Kanosuke has shown an innovative approach to classically structured whiskies.

- **Kanosuke Ghost Series #23C (Double-Distillery / Umeshu Cask Finish) — \$97 — 122 proof / 61% ABV**

The final entrant of the Ghost Series No. 23, this single cask expression is a blend of Hioki’s grain with Kanosuke’s malt, married and finished in an umeshu barrel for a further 10 months. The nose is grain forward, with baked apricot and ripe cherries leading into a palate with bold notes of red fruit and maple syrup on pancakes. The finish is lush and herbal with notes of elderflower and candied citrus.

Kamiki is a project by whisky distributor Yoshino Spirits. The facility near Mount Miwa combines Japanese and international whiskies from undisclosed providers for maturation and finishing in a unique microclimate. The brand itself is a conjunction of the Japanese words Kami and Iki, loosely translated as ‘god’s breath’ and a reference to the cooling wind coming off of the mountain. The whiskies are also blessed by the priests of nearby Omiwa temple!

- **Kamiki Maltage — Finished in Cedar and Sakura Casks — \$35 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

A Japanese blended malt matured in oak and then finished in a mix of Yoshino cedar and cherry-wood (sakura) casks, bottled at 45% ABV, focusing on forest-wood infusion and light to medium body. Sandalwood, cherry blossom, toasted nuts and honeysuckle reflect the finishing and elegant distortion of classic malt base. Its significance lies in Kamiki's 'first triple-cask-finish' claim—combining oak + cedar + sakura woods in a single model of modern Japanese malt innovation.

- **Kamiki Blended Malt – Japanese Sakura Tree & Cedar Cask Finish — \$31 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This blend is first matured in oak barrels before two successive finishes in both sakura and cedar casks. The nose brings depth with faint nutty, spicy, chocolatey notes, among discernible cedar and cherry. The palate is rich and balanced with notes of nutmeg and cinnamon playing against more reserved cedar and tobacco tones that continue through a dry, woody finish.

- **Kamiki Blended Malt 'The Unicorn' Bourbon Barrel Finish — \$35 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

A triumphant union of blended malt aged 5 years in mizunara before being reracked for 5 years in an ex-bourbon barrel. The nose pairs the Japanese orchard fruit-forward notes with a delicate bourbon vanilla undertone. The palate balances toasted oak and baking spices with milk chocolate and toffee before an oaky, nutty finish.

- **Matsui Mizunara Cask — \$31 — 86 proof / 43%ABV**

- **Matsui The Peated — \$31 — 86 proof / 43%ABV**

- **Matsui Sakura Cask — \$39 — 86 proof / 43%ABV**

Hombo Shuzo did not begin its existence as an alcohol producer. The initial output of The company, founded in 1872, was cotton and rapeseed oil until the family pivoted to shochu production in 1909. 40 years later, after contacting Mastaka Taketsuru's mentor Keiichiro Iwai, the company received a license to produce whisky. The first distillery was built in Yamanashi in 1960, but it yielded overly peated and harsh whiskies. In 1982, the Shinshu distillery was founded in Nagano in the Japanese Alps, above the marine layer and able to access lighter mountain water sources. From here, the Mars brand of whiskies took off. The company now also has the Komagatake distillery and its famous Yakushima aging complex where high temperatures and humidity accelerate the aging of a select line of Mars products.

- **Iwai Tradition 'Fuyu' (Chestnut Cask Finish) — \$31 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

Fuyu is Iwai's winter malt. This blend marries whisky aged in ex-bourbon and sherry casks for four months in a Japanese chestnut barrel. The nose is sweet and floral with notes of caramel and plum wine. The palate, rounded and complex with candied grapes, ginger, and an unmistakably nutty bittersweet character. The finish is buttery and sweet with that enduring bittersweet note.

- **Iwai Tradition 'Haru' (Sakura Cask Finish) — \$25 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

The Haru sees a blend matured in sherry, bourbon, and wine casks, before spending a finishing period in sakura (japanese cherry blossom) casks. The aroma is apricot jam and honey with a wheat quality, the palate, rounded and almost brandy-like with its fruity, floral composition owing to its sakura finish. The finish is cotton candy sweet with a hint of ripe berries.

• **Iwai Tradition ‘Natsu’ (Umeshu Cask Finish) — \$27 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

The Natsu blend is aged in ex-bourbon, sherry, and wine casks before spending at least 6 months in umeshu (Japanese plum wine) casks. The whisky has an inviting aroma of berries and cinnamon with a palate that delivers Japanese grape and plum sweetness in a rich, syrupy-thick body. The finish is unctuous and woody, sweet and sour with plum notes and a black tea undertone.

• **Iwai Tradition ‘Wine Cask Finish’ — \$25 — 80 proof / 40 ABV**

• **Iwai Tradition ‘Sherry Cask Finish’ — \$27 — 80 proof / 40 ABV**

• **Komagatake 2021 Yakushima Aging — \$75 — 107 proof / 53.5% ABV**

Distilled at Mars’s Komagatake facility, this gently peated malt is transferred to warehouses on Yakushima Island, 700 miles away, where warm, humid maritime conditions accelerate aging. A sweet aroma of dried fruit and delicate smoke and a palate of brown sugar, tropical fruit, and coconut cream echo the island maturation and cask selection. Gentle smoke and ocean salinity undercut a gently sweet and warm finish.

• **Komagatake x Chichibu Malt Duo 2021 (Bottle 10,570/10,918) — \$121 — ABV not publicly verified**

A prestige blend of Mars Komagatake and Chichibu single malts matured separately, but at the Mars distillery, for five years and bottled together from a limited 10,918-bottle batch. The nose is bright with sweet ripe pear and a hint of citrus. The palate is silky with notes of vanilla ice cream and tobacco. The finish lingers with a velvety texture and a faint brown sugar note.

• **Komogatake 30 year American white Oak — \$500/\$1,000 — 122 Proof / 61% ABV**

• **Komogatake 29 year — \$870 — 120 proof / 60% ABV**

• **Komogatake Single Malt ‘Nature of Shinshu’ — \$63 — 104 proof / 52% ABV**

• **Tsunuki ‘Peated’ — \$49 — 100 proof / 50% ABV**

• **Bakemono Zukushi Emaki ‘Cask T1185’ — \$193 — 102 proof / 61% ABV**

• **Bakemono Zukushi Emaki ‘Cask 2178-2324’ — \$193 — 101 proof 51% ABV**

• **Bakemono Zukushi Emaki ‘Cask 5093’ — \$193 — 122 Proof / 61% ABV**

• **Bakemono Zukushi Emaki ‘Cask T1710’ — \$193 — 118 proof / 59% ABV**

• **Bakemono Zukushi Emaki ‘Cask 3227’ — \$193 — 128 proof / 64% ABV**

• **Mars Maltage ‘3 plus 25’ 28 years — \$1,300/\$2,600 — 92 proof /46 % ABV**

Nikka, part of the Asahi group, is Japan's second largest whisky producer. Founded in 1934 by Masataka Taketsuru who had helped Shinjiro Torii set up his Yamazaki distillery back in 1923, the 'Japanese juice' company started with the Yoichi distillery on Hokkaido with the intention of making a Scotch-like single malt, i.e. peated malt. Masataka later built the Miyagikyo single malt distillery and also set out to produce his own grain whisky. Very popular in Japan with the Massan series portraying Taketsuru and his dedicated Scottish wife Rita, the whiskies from Nikka got even too popular and the company did away with age statements recently. Collectors are now sweeping most older releases at auctions while we enjoy these otherwise beautiful 'NAS' malts and blends.

• **Nikka From the Barrel — \$33 — 102 proof / 51% ABV**

A Japan-exclusive bottling at the Miyagikyo Distillery under the striking Cask Room labeling series, this blend of malts and grains produced at Yoichi and Miyagikyo presents a floral nose with notes of apricot and nutmeg. The palate is delicate and oily with caramel and vanilla notes complimented by a peppery bite. A note of coconut milk subsides into an oaky bittersweet undertone before a tea-dry finish.

• **Nikka From the Barrel Extra Marriage — 40th Anniversary Limited Edition — \$39 — 102.8 proof / 51.4% ABV**

Blended from more than 100 batches of malt and grain whiskies, then returned to used barrels for up to 6 months of extra marrying, this anniversary edition broadens From the Barrel's usual compact power into a mellower, oak-shaped profile with richer chocolate, fruit and tannin. Yoichi and Miyagikyo single malts sit beside mostly corn-based Coffey grain whisky in a tighter, longer finish. It matters as the 40th-anniversary extension of a cult bottling first launched in 1985.

• **Nikka Miyagikyo 12 Years — \$93 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

Nikka's delicate highland-style malt was aged for 12 years in a combination of new and refill American oak barrels and sherry butts. The aroma is delicate and understated, with vanilla and waxy citrus fruit swirling above a decadently viscous palate. Notes of pf green apple and grapefruit are complimented by measured coastal salinity that follows honeyed malt through a salty dry finish.

• **Nikka Miyagikyo Grande — \$63 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A choice selection of malt intending to amplify the rich intensity of the sherry forward Miyagikyo, this expression presents a nose that is vibrant and creamy with notes of black tea and red apple, as well as a hint of peat smoke. The body is balanced with a malty sweetness that shares the stage with a spiced earthy quality and the still-faint peat note. There is a nutty umami quality before a long, warming finish that again suggests ripe fruit and delicate smoke.

• **Nikka Yoichi 10 Years (2024 Release) — \$59 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

The triumphant return of Nikka's Islay-style peated malt, this single malt marries stock aged 10 years in ex-bourbon and ex-peated whisky casks. The aroma is woody and peated with orchard fruit and buttery vanilla undertones. The palate is creamy and light with notes of citrus peel and roasted almond muddled with peppery smoke. The finish is long and sweet with a subtle candy note and lingering peat smoke.

• **Nikka Miyagikyo — \$35 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

• **Miyagikyo Single Malt Peated — Nikka Discovery 2021 — \$99 — 96 proof / 48.0% ABV**

Crafted solely from batches of peated malt, this limited 2021 release turns Miyagikyo's usual light, fruity image toward a smokier, more assertive register while leaving the distillery's estery elegance intact in the finish. The result should read fragrant and lifted rather than heavy-handed, with peat acting as contrast instead of full takeover. It matters as the first chapter of Nikka Discovery, launched ahead of Nikka's 90th anniversary to reveal the company's experimental side.

• **Nikka Miyagikyo 2019 Limited Edition — \$1,200/\$2,400 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **Nikka Yoichi 15 Years — \$220 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

Discontinued in 2015 due to the global shortage of aged Japanese whisky, few 15 year bourbon-barrel-aged Yoichi bottles remain in worldwide circulation. Fresh and sweet on the nose with peach and roses and a hint of salty smoke, the palate is rich and bold with woody spice and nutty nougat overshadowing peat and a savory salinity. The finish is long and evolving with sour berries and wood spice leading into roasted hazelnut and raisins against a gently peated background.

• **Nikka Yoichi Grande — \$63 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A specialty bottling of malt married and bottled at a higher proof to amplify Yoichi's complex, peaty profile. The aroma is layered and honeyed, with floral notes and lemon peel giving way to soft smoke and buttery malt. The palate is rich and sweet with a chocolatey texture and a hint of briny salinity in its peaty character. The finish is luxuriously long with a note of peated caramel.

• **Nikka Yoichi Non-Peated 2021 Release — \$93 — 94 proof / 47% ABV**

This release anticipating the Yoichi distillery's 90th anniversary showcases its depth through a non peated expression with a fruity, evolving aroma that shifts between citrus and tropical fruits and herbal, more medicinal notes. The palate is bright and malty rich with clove and subtle melon accenting the vanilla-forward stone fruit notes on the palate. The finish is long and sweet with a lingering woody spice.

• **Nikka Pure Malt Black — \$39 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Nikka Pure Malt White — \$39 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

• **Nikka Taketsuru Pure Malt 12 Years — \$79 — 80 Proof / 40% ABV**

• **Nikka Taketsuru Pure Malt 17 Years — \$195 — 86 Proof / 43% ABV**

• **Nikka Single Cask Malt Whisky 10-Years-Old — \$99 — 114 proof / 57% ABV**

• **Nikka Coffey Malt — \$29 — 90 proof / 45% ABV**

Ohishi is a 'new generation whisky' made in Southwest Japan from malted and Unmalted rice. Japanese whisky has got so popular lately that spirits until now sold as shochus can be labeled 'whisky' when made with grains...the purists scream but our palates have more options to choose from! These are very interesting whiskies: Koji mold is used to turn the rice starches into sugars,

fermentation proceeds with yeast as usual, but distillation takes place in a stainless steel-made pot still! Maturation mostly takes place in brandy and Sherry casks.

• **Ohishi Whisky 8 Years (Ex-Sherry Casks) — \$29 — 92 proof / 46% ABV**

The 8 year sherry-aged character shows through a berry-forward nose with liquorice and leathery undertones. The palate is lush and dry with notes of dried peach and caramel-coated nuts. Peppery baking spice leads into an oaky, tannic finish.

• **Ohishi Whisky Acacia Cask — \$35 — 84.8 proof / 42.4% ABV**

This single grain was aged for 6 years in refill sherry casks before being finished in an acacia cask. The aroma is dry and woody with pumpkin pie and caramel peeking through. The palate is unctuous and intricate with refreshing apricot and orange peel behind a punch of candied ginger and cinnamon spice. The finish is dry and spiced with an herbal, sandalwood undertone.

• **Ohishi Whisky Sakura Cask — \$31 — 86.6 proof / 43.3% ABV**

This expression marries whiskies aged 6 years in cognac casks and sherry casks for a finish in sakura casks. The nose bright with notes of berries and creme brulee. The palate is creamy and custards with hints of spice and a reserved note of cherry wood on the finish.

• **Ohishi Whisky Tokubetsu Reserve — \$89 — 81 proof / 40.5% ABV**

A whisky honoring the generational legacy of the Ohishi distillery, blending various well aged stock, including a selection aged 27 years in a sherry cask. The nose is rich with notes of pear and amaretto and a mushroom umami quality. The plate is creamy with dried figs and cinnamon notes before tobacco and white pepper inform a long, spiced sherry oak influenced finish.

• **Ohishi Whisky Port Cask — \$27 — 87.6 proof / 43.8% ABV —**

• **Ohishi Whisky 10 year Ex-Brandy Cask — \$31 — 87 proof / 43.5% ABV —**

• **Ohishi Whisky Sherry Cask — \$33 — 84.8 proof / 42.4% ABV —**

Sasakawa Shuzo has been making sake for over 200 years, but unlike most new craft distilleries in Japan, is not new in the whisky-making game, as it had started back in 1946; but it's only recently that the company resumed whisky making at the Asaka distillery, in Fukushima Prefecture's Koriyama. Benefiting from marked seasonal changes and great day/night temperature swings, Asaka is dedicated to make 'true' single malt from barley...Already on every Japanese whisky collector's radar for being the company that helped Ichiro Akuto (of Chichibu fame) store his 400-or-so casks from defunct Hanyu distillery, Asaka is poised to become a major player in the upcoming years.

Shibui is a fairly new 'whisky' brand, part of this 'Koji whisky' category...spirits made from grains with or without the intention of releasing them as whisky! Some are barley-based, but most use rice, and employ the Koji mold method well known to sake and shochu makers. In the case of Shibui -or rather the distilleries they source the whiskies from-, indica rice is black koji-inoculated and aged in a

variety of casks. We present here their true, Japan-made, whiskies, hailing from Okinawa producers (their 'Niigata range' consists of world blends).

• **Shibui 18 Years Single Grain (Sherry Cask Matured) — \$63 — 80 proof / 40% ABV**

A single-grain whisky matured entirely in European sherry casks for 18 years, this expression presents with an earthy, oaky aroma over subdued spiced fruit. The palate is layered and oily, with baking spice and citrus zest underscored by toasted sweetness. The finish is long and warm with dried fruit accented by spiced sherry oak.

Gaiaflow distillery was conceived of by entrepreneur and whisky aficionado Taika Nakamura. The distillery famously uses Pot Still K from the heralded Karuizawa distillery, one of the great ghost distilleries of Japan, in addition to one of the few wood fired pot stills used in whisky production. The water used for producing the spirits comes from an underground aquifer sourced from snow melt while Japanese cedar and Oregon pine are used as the washback medium. A specific Japanese barley called Sachiho Golden further elaborates the unique qualities of these intellectually fascinating whiskies.

• **Shizuoka Single Malt Pot Still K (100% Japanese Barley, 2023 Edition) — \$42 — 111 proof / 55.5% ABV**

Distilled entirely from local barley in Shizuoka's 70 year old pot still and aged 3 years in bourbon casks, this whisky presents with a perfumed aroma of fresh cut roses and green apple. The palate reflects the aroma with a rich malt sweetness that subsides into a dry herbal jasmine tea note. The finish is lingering with a hint of toasted oak spice and malt sweetness.

• **Shizuoka Single Malt Ex-Bourbon 2017 — \$83 — 120.8 proof / 60.4% ABV**

Takamine is a whiskey to admire: first because it honors Jokichi Takamine (1854-1922), 'one of the 10 Japanese Great Inventors', who not only isolated the molecule adrenaline in 1901 (epinephrine) but also worked relentlessly during his whole life to maintain rich US-Japan relationships, and is known for gifting, along with the mayor of Tokyo, 2100 cherry trees to Washington, D.C. in 1912. Closer to our taste buds is his intention to use the Koji mold employed in Japan for centuries in the confection of soy sauce, sake, shochu and more, for whiskey making in the US...unfortunately this whiskey never materialized back then. But this Koji-induced barley mash distilled by Shinozaki distillery in Fukuoka, and aged in ex-Bourbon and virgin US oak barrels is the closest we can get from his project!

• **Takamine Koji 17 Years (2024 Release) — \$113 — 85.2 proof / 42.6% ABV**

A decadent age statement from Shinozaki, this expression presents a mellow, vanilla-forward aroma with soft coconut and banana above a richly thick, velvety body. The palate is rounded and sweet with tropical fruits elevated by gentle spice and toasted oak. The finish is warm and sweet with a hint of spiced caramel.

• **Takamine Koji 20 Years (2024 Release) — \$155 — 86.2 proof / 43.1% ABV**

Aged in new and refill American oak casks, the nose is bold and complex with toasted vanilla bean and tropical fruit contrasted by roasted coffee and nutty notes. The body is decadently textured and unctuous with notes of crème brûlée and coconut leading to a long, oaky finish.

• **Takamine Koji 26 Years (2024 Release) — \$217 — 81.4 proof / 40.7% ABV**

Stock from the very first Takamine experiments at Shinozaki distillery was aged in a sherry cask for 26 years, resulting in this bottle that is as rare as it is decadent. The aroma is expectedly sherry-forward with subtler notes of fresh tobacco and salted caramel. The body is impossibly thick with toasted oak and candied red fruit on the palate. The finish is warm and long with a lingering note of sherried oak.

• **Takamine Koji 8 Years — \$37 — 80.6 proof / 40.3% ABV**

• **Takamine Koji Sakura Cask Years — \$31 — 80.6 proof / 40.3% ABV**

Akkeshi was founded on the southwestern coast of Hokkaido. The site was chosen for its cool but humid climate similar to conditions found in Islay. The peated malts coming out of the distillery, led by Katsuyuki Tatsuzaki, range from grainy to fruit driven, but all are dominated by peat in its many iterations. The distillery is currently releasing a series of whiskies emblematic of the seasons in Japan. These compelling whiskies are designed without regard for maintaining a single malt, grain, or blended whisky identity: Akkeshi is looking to create intellectually curious and nostalgic pours with its Sekki series.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Peated Boshu’ — 9th Season (24 Sekki, 2021) — \$83 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Matured in a mix of ex-bourbon, sherry, wine and Mizunara casks at the Akkeshi coastal distillery, bottled as part of the ‘9th Season’ 24 Sekki series. Coastal peat, kelp, citrus oil and sandalwood reflect Akkeshi’s Hokkaido maritime climate and varied cask regimen. Its significance lies in the 24 Sekki seasonal project—linking Japanese seasonality with peated whisky in a structured annual narrative.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Peated Daikan’ — Peak of Winter (2022) — \$83 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

The 6th release of the 24 Seki series is a peculiar blend of imported new pot grain whiskey aged 3 years in ex-bourbon barrels at before marrying with peated Akkeshi single malt. The resulting blend retains peat on the nose with more nuanced flavors of grapefruit and lavender sewn in. The palate is balanced and rich with oceanic salinity complementing baked fruit and peat smoke with enduring malty sweetness. The finish brings bittersweet gingerbread and peppery smoke.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Peated Seimei’ — Radiance of Pure Life (2022) — \$83 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

The 7th entry in the 24 Seki series, Akkeshi here utilizes more unseated, ex-bourbon barrel aged malt in its blending, laying an oaky shade over the peaty, fruit-informed aroma that has become Akkeshi’s trademark. The body is oily and briny with citrus fruit and charred pineapple letting up for cinnamon and fresh apple. The finish brings a cool salinity with a long-lingering peat.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Peated Shosho’ — Summer Fades (2021) — \$83 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Due to Hokkaido’s unique natural properties, Akkeshi are the only Japanese distiller that currently use locally sourced peat, as was done here in the 4th 24 Seki release. Butter fudge and marmalade join a distinctly rich, smoky aroma, more a campfire smoke than the medicinal, iodine character of other peated Akkeshi expressions. The palate is sweet and citrusy, with

white pepper contrasting against manuka honey. The finish carries through the peat smoke with a delicate note of salty sea air.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Peated Taishō’ — Peak of Summer (2022) — \$83 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

The 8th 24 Seki expression released honors the hottest days of the summer. This blend was married from Akkeshi malt and imported grain married and matured in ex-bourbon, sherry, red wine, and local mizunara casks. The aroma is fruity and grain-sweet with a smoky shadow. The palate is thick and decadent, with gentle spice and measured citrus complimented by bright grape notes and cool minerality with an ashy, quiet smoke that mellows into a sweet, lemony finish.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Rittō’ — Winter Begins (24 Sekki, 2021) — \$83 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

The 5th 24 Seki release was this single malt distilled from local Hokkaido barley and married after aging in refill sherry casks and locally grown mizunara oak casks. Fruit basket sweetness and citrus acidity in the nose foretell a complex body that pairs brown sugar and chocolate with white pepper and soy sauce umami notes. Delicate smoke informs the sweetness for a barbecue note on the finish.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Usui’ — Rain Water (2nd Season, 2021) — \$83 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

The 2nd 24 Seki expression was the very first Akkeshi blend, it is comprised from Hokkaido two-row barley malt whisky aged 3 years and imported grain whisky aged in Japan. The aroma is rich and fruity with notes of raisins and cocoa. The palate is bright and citrus-forward with lemon and candied orange. The finish is long and warm with milk chocolate, ate sweetness and a white pepper spice.

• **The Akkeshi ‘Keichitsu’ —Life awakens (3rd season 2023) — \$83 — 110 proof/ 55% ABV**

• **The Akkeshi ‘Hakuro’ —Glistening White Dew — \$83 — 110 proof / 55% ABV**

• **The Impex Collection — Secret Japanese Koji Whisky 17 Years (2002–2021) — \$95 — 87.2 proof / 43.6% ABV**

Koji-fermented single grain whisky aged 17 years at an undisclosed Japanese distillery compose this intriguing offering from Impex. The nose is bright and sharp, with sweet citrus and a gassy bite. The palate brings a unique koji texture to the trademark grain sweetness that melts into deeper butterscotch and dark chocolate notes. The finish is sharp and dry with an oaky hint.

Yamazaki, the first ‘true’ whisky distillery of Japan, dating back from 1924, remains the most sought after single maker from that part of the world. Located near Kyoto, it was originally set up to make a Scottish-like whisky. It evolved to be a multi-faceted malt, made in copper pot stills of different shapes and sizes, from malted barley of different peat levels, and aged in a great variety of wooden vessels. Yamazaki has garnered an insane amount of ‘best of’ awards, and notably the one that propelled the brand to new heights, Jim Murray’s Whisky Bible announcing Yamazaki Sherry cask 2013 edition as the Best Whisky in the World...

• **Yamazaki 12 Years — 100th Anniversary Edition — \$57 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

This limited release celebrates 100 years of Yamazaki Distillery's history with a special release of the 12 year old flagship single malt. The aroma is bright and inviting with tropical fruit and vanilla informed by the nuanced spice of its mizunara aging. The palate is creamy and fruity with a cooling coconut tone that evolved into waxy, woody tones for a long oaky finish with a ginger undertone.

• **Yamazaki 18 Years — 8885700162 Edition — \$247 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

A long-aged single malt from Yamazaki matured in a mix of American white oak, Spanish sherry casks and Japanese Mizunara before bottling in this numbered-release format. Dark cherry, incense, cacao, sandalwood and long rancio echo the slow oxidative development in the humid Osaka warehouses. Its significance lies in its place as a crown-jewel age statement—one of the most iconic and sought-after expressions in Japanese whisky.

• **Yamazaki 18 Years Mizunara Cask (2017 Edition) — \$898 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A release limited to 5,000 bottles that has only become more rare and sought after since its 2017 release. Chief Blender Shinji Fukuyo selected whiskies aged a minimum of 18 years in mizunara, with some stock aged 50 years. The nose projects cantaloupe and coconut with gingery pepper and white tea notes in the background. The palate is richly balanced with sweet notes of grape and maple syrup cut by well-oaked spice and herbal licorice. The finish is malty sweet with an enduring cinnamon bite.

• **Yamazaki 18 Years Mizunara Cask (2024 Edition) — \$698 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Released for the 2024 Tsurawake Selection, this expression aged 18 years entirely in mizunara imparts a soft, woody aroma with notes of dates and malt sweetness. The palate is rich and delicately dry with more soft wood spice and bright lychee and mango notes. The finish is measured and warm with umami notes and a citrus zest undercurrent.

• **Yamazaki 1984 (Bottle No. 2700) — \$1,400/\$2,800 —**

A vintage expression distilled in 1984 and matured for decades across American oak, sherry and Mizunara casks before being bottled from a numbered release. Dark fig, leather, oloroso richness and incense-led oak reflect deep, layered maturation unique to Yamazaki's oldest stock. Its significance lies in its rarity—one of the foundational vintage statements anchoring modern Japanese whisky prestige.

• **Yamazaki 2013 Mizunara Cask — \$958 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This non-age-statement expression vatting of single malt aged in mizunara casks was limited to just 1,600 bottles upon its release in 2013. The nose is inviting with notes of ripe apple and plum wine underscored by sandalwood and cardboard. The palate is rounded with brown sugar notes balanced by tannic spice and an earl grey bittersweet dryness that linger through a warm finish with a hint of orchard fruit.

• **Yamazaki 2016 Sherry Cask — \$556 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This special release, limited to 5,000 bottles, contains much of the same stock (aged entirely in ex-sherry spanish oak barrels included in the acclaimed 2013 release that famously amplified the modern boom of Japanese whisky demand and subsequent supply that we still enjoy. The nose is earthy and rich with dark chocolate and tobacco complimenting peppery sherry notes and dried apricot. The palate is intensely complex with woody clove and cinnamon contrasting against brighter red berry notes in a rich, thick body. The finish is long and warm with an earthy, oaky quality cut by bittersweet dark chocolate, coffee, and berry notes.

• **Yamazaki 2022 Mizunara Cask — \$797 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Though sold without an age statement for the Tsuriwake Selection, the distillers boast this single malt was aged in mizunara for no less than 12 years. The aging imparts an herbal incense note on the aroma, deepening in complexity among notes of candied berries and jasmine tea. The palate is silky and sweet with mellow toasted coconut giving way to spiced honey with a well-oaked backbone. The finish is warm and aromatic with contrasting cinnamon, sandalwood, and vanilla notes.

• **Yamazaki 2022 Peated Malt — \$447 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This Tsuriwake Selection release was vatted from malts aged in hogsheads that previously aged peated malt, adding an additionally nuanced layer to the single malt peated to 50 PPM. The nose is herbaceous and bright with a ripe, fruity note that exquisitely complements a reserved note of peat smoke. The palate is rich and full bodied with coconut cream and nutty oak on the palate deepened by a pronounced charcoal smoke note. The finish is complex with faint hints of pineapple and orchard fruit hiding among a fog of leaf smoke.

• **Yamazaki 2022 Puncheon — \$477 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This Tsukuriwake Selection was aged exclusively in custom coopered white oak puncheons that minimize contact between cask and spirit while maximizing volume to imbue slower, more complex maturing imparting more subtle cask effects. The nose is delicate with sweet and sour notes of green apple and toasted vanilla. The palate is robust and punchy with notes of honey, butterscotch and a very delicate hint of oak. The finish is long and warm with a lingering vanilla note.

• **Yamazaki 2022 Spanish Oak — \$477 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

The final 2022 Tsukuriwake Selection, this single malt was exclusively aged in Spanish sherry-seasoned casks. The aroma is richly layered with black cherry and brown sugar being intertwined with complex notes of sun-dried tomato and funky, estery oak. The palate is oily and creamy with notes of fig and grape accented by bittersweet dark chocolate and baking spice. The finish is dry and tannic with a long-lingering polished oak note.

• **Yamazaki 25 Years — \$1,500/\$3,000 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

Aged a quarter of a century with Yamazaki's signature boutique aging style, thus decadent single malt presents an aroma of floral sandalwood and fresh ume plums. The palate is richly balanced with fresh melon and grape notes peppered with delicate spice and a hint of herbal incense. The finish is velvety and long with a chocolatey reserved sweetness and a floral, leathery rancio.

• **Yamazaki Distiller's Reserve — \$33 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

A craft NAS release marrying Yamazaki malt aged in sherry casks and bordeaux red wine casks. The nose is fresh and juicy with cherries and strawberries shaded with ginger spice. The palate is creamy and light with apricot and coconut cream notes accented by subtle umami and bright malt sweetness. The finish is buttery and nutty with a hint of citrus.

• **Yamazaki 'Golden Promise' (Tsukuriwake Selection 2024) — \$210 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

For the 2024 Tsukuriwake Selection, Yamazaki sourced Golden Promise, a heritage barley popularized in Scotland in the 1960s and still utilized by prestigious distilleries as old as The Macallan and as young as Ardnamurchan, malted, distilled, and aged in american oak. The

nose is malty sweet with notes of sandalwood and toasted almond. The palate is silky and full bodied with thick butterscotch and vibrant pineapple notes. The finish is elegant and warm with a satisfying oak spice and subtle vanilla note.

• **Yamazaki 'Islay Peated' (Tsukuriwake Selection 2024) — \$210 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This exceptionally unique release for the 2024 Tsukuriwake Selection utilizes peated, floor-malted barley from an Islay distillery (likely Suntory-Beam sister distillery Laphroaig) matured in ex-bourbon and mizunara casks at the Yamazaki distillery. The nose offers gentle smoke and sea spray with fresh baked biscuits and ripe green apple. The palate is syrupy and honeyed with notes of yuzu and grapefruit brushing against a coastal salinity among the peated overlay. The finish is warm and meaty with a lingering herbaceous smoke.

• **Yamazaki Mizunara Oak Cask 18 Years — 100th Anniversary Edition — \$756 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

Specially released in 2023 to celebrate a century of Yamazaki distilling, this craft selection of single malt aged 18 years in mizunara oak brings a delectable toasted sandalwood aroma complemented by bright notes of sweet dates and sour plum. The palate is richly complex with nutmeg and clove spiced honey and baked apple and peach accented by a delicate dense undertone. The finish is wooded and warm with gingerbread and candied lemon helped along by a hint of polished leather.

• **Yamazaki Peated Malt Spanish Oak — The Kōgei Collection — \$195 — 86 proof / 43% ABV**

An exquisite union of experimental expressions paying homage to early Yamazaki practices, this Kōgei Collection release sees peated malt aged exclusively in spanish sherry seasoned oak. The aroma is intricately balanced with smoked plums and dark mocha lording over mossy peat smoke. The palate is oily and rich with grilled pineapple and nutty coconut notes emerging from a peat forward body. The palate is long and bittersweet with ashy smoke and roasted coffee undertones.

• **Yamazaki Puncheon — \$155 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

This single malt expression is specifically married from Yamazaki single malt aged exclusively in their bespoke, 480 liter puncheon barrels that minimize contact between the spirit and the wood, meticulously controlling oak influence throughout maturation. The nose is light and floral with malty, grassy herbal notes and a fresh pastry tone. The body is layered with sweet tangerine and tart citrus notes accentuated by delicate baking spice and leathery wood, before a lingering, sweet and spicy finish.***A single-maturation expression built around large American-oak puncheon barrels, encouraging slower extraction and highlighting malt purity over oak weight. Pear skin, honeycomb, citrus oil and fine-grained vanilla illustrate the clarity of long-grain wood aging under Yamazaki's humid conditions. Its significance lies in being one of the distillery's purest cask-type statements—demonstrating how vessel size shapes the Tsukuriwake identity.

• **Yamazaki Mizunara Cask 18 Years 100th Anniversary — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A limited release celebrating the centenary of the Yamazaki distillery, this expression was composed from Yamazaki single malt aged 18 years solely in mizunara oak casks. The aroma is fittingly dominated by toasted oak and sandalwood with honeyed peach and lychee creeping in behind. The body is rich and oily with mizunara spice lording over toasted coconut and apricot. The finish is long and delicate with floral notes and a perfumed quality.

• **Yamazaki Mizunara Oak Cask 18 Years — \$756 — 96 proof / 48% ABV**

• **Yamazaki 12 Years — 100th Anniversary Edition — \$65— 86 proof / 43% ABV**

Kitaya distillery was founded sometime around 1820 for the production of both shochu and sake. The family had initially been a rice merchant, but founded their alcohol business around the motto, 'The master himself should make the sake!' Yame whisky represents a recent addition to the company's portfolio. These barley whiskies, distilled and matured in Kyushu, represent a modern and technologically savvy approach to spirits from a family rich with fermentation and distillation experience.

• **Yame 10 Years — \$24— 84 proof / 42% ABV**

• **Yame 15 Years — \$67— 96 proof / 48% ABV**

A rare expression from the Kitaya Sake house, this whisky was aged for 15 years in new white oak and ex-bourbon casks, presenting a barrel-spiced aroma that pairs effortlessly with lighter vanilla and citrus notes. The palate is delicate and creamy with a reserved grain sweetness and a hint of vanilla that are accented by gentle gingery spice and a whisper of smoke. The finish is brief and dry with cinnamon and nutmeg and a hint of honey.

FRANCE

Alfred Giraud offers a distinctly French vision of whisky, where malt distilling meets the refinement of cognac tradition. Distilled at Saint-Palais and shaped by the Giraud family's deep experience in blending and maturation, the house sets itself apart through meticulous control of French barley, traditional fire-heated copper stills, and élevage in old cognac casks alongside select wine and spirits casks. What makes Alfred Giraud exceptional is not scale, but cultivation: a whisky built on texture, precision, and cask intelligence rather than weight alone. The result is a house of unusual elegance, one that stands at the intersection of whisky-making craft and French luxury spirits heritage.

• **Alfred Giraud Harmonie — \$77 — 96.2 proof**

Harmonie is built as a triple malt, triple wood expression, beginning with two non-peated French malt distillates matured in different casks—mostly extra-old Cognac casks, with a proportion in new French Limousin and new American oak—before the marriage returns to extra-old Cognac casks and is finally joined by a lightly peated French malt, again finished in those same old Cognac casks. The result sounds exactly like its name: silky, full, faintly smoky, and deeply shaped by mature Cognac wood rather than by overt peat. What makes it matter is that it distills the house signature more clearly than almost anything else in the range—French malt whisky seen through a Cognac family's sense of élevage and blending.

• **Alfred Giraud Voyage — \$48 — 96 proof**

Voyage is the first release in Alfred Giraud's Exploratory range and is built from two single malts that take very different routes: one aged in Sauternes wine casks, the other in French Robinia casks, before the two are married and further aged in Cognac casks. That recipe gives it a style that feels generous but still precise—custard, sweet grape, acacia honey, white flowers, and a softly woody finish, with the unusual Robinia wood adding lift rather than roughness. What makes it matter is the risk behind it: French Robinia is scarcely used in whisky at all, so Voyage reads less like a cask-finish trick and more like a real extension of French cask culture into whisky.

• **Alfred Giraud Horizon — \$56 — 92.2 proof**

Horizon is presented by Alfred Giraud as the house's first single malt, produced grain to glass at Saint-Palais and assembled from distillates matured across an unusually broad range of casks. The producer states that two core distillates are married and matured in Cognac plus new French and American oak, while additional parcels are aged in old Cognac, Bordeaux Grand Cru Classé, Pineau, and other casks, for a total of fourteen cask types before the final marriage rests again in old Cognac wood. What makes it matter is not just the number of casks, but the coherence of the idea: Horizon is Alfred Giraud trying to make complexity feel architectural rather than busy.

• **Alfred Giraud Intrigue — \$132 — 103.4 proof**

Intrigue is the most elusive bottle in this first batch, but the current Alfred Giraud range page is clear on the big picture: it is a limited Triple Malt, Quintuple Wood release at 51.7% ABV, drawn from just two casks. Additional producer-linked and trade descriptions consistently describe the whisky as balancing rare Cognac casks, Sauvignon Blanc influence, and a deliberately undisclosed 'mystery' or vidange cask, which fits your sheet's shorthand without overstating what the house itself has publicly detailed. What makes it matter is that it is not just stronger or rarer than the core range; it is Alfred Giraud's clearest statement of controlled secrecy, where part of the bottle's identity is the refusal to fully explain the last cask.

Warenghem Distillery, home of **Armorik**, stands as one of the defining names in French whisky. Founded in 1900 in Lannion on Brittany's pink granite coast, it evolved from a respected liqueur producer into a whisky pioneer, launching the first Breton and French single malt in 1998. What makes it outstanding is the clarity of its regional identity: Rest Avel spring water, French and Breton barley, traditional double distillation, and maturation in Breton warehouses shaped by sea air, wind, and rain. The result is a whisky house that feels both historic and modern — deeply rooted in place, yet refined enough to stand confidently on the world stage.

• **Armorik Classic — \$23 — 92 proof**

Armorik Classic is Breton single malt matured in bourbon casks, made from organically grown French barley and distilled in traditional pot stills before ageing and bottling in Brittany. The whiskey has the house style that Warenghem keeps returning to: rich and fruity at heart, with cereal spice, peach and apricot, vanilla sweetness, light toast, and a finish that carries an unmistakable coastal lift. What makes it matter is its place in French whisky history—Armorik is presented by the distillery as the first single malt from Brittany and from France, and Classic remains the bottle that states that Breton identity most directly.

• **Armorik Double Maturation — \$25 — 92 proof**

Armorik Double Maturation is Breton single malt made from organically grown French barley, distilled in traditional pot stills, first matured for years in Breton oak casks and then transferred into Oloroso sherry casks for its second maturation. That sequence gives the whisky a broader, more layered shape than the Classic: mirabelle, citrus, honey, vanilla, spice, and ripe fruit, all carried by a rounded texture that still feels distinctly coastal rather than heavy. What makes it matter is that this bottle states the Armorik idea in full—Breton grain, Breton oak, and sherry influence working together rather than competing for attention.

• **Armorik Sherry Finish — \$27 — 92 proof**

Armorik Sherry is fully matured in Oloroso sherry casks, with the distillery explicitly framing it as a meeting point between Breton distillate and Andalusian wood. The whisky keeps the fruit-forward core of Armorik intact, but folds in a darker register of candied fruit, vanilla, citrus peel, dried fruit, crème brûlée, prune, roasted almond, and warm spice, all without losing its lift. What makes it matter is that this is not a brief finishing exercise but a full sherry-matured Breton single malt, one that lets sherry deepen the house style rather than disguise it.

• **Le Breuil Single Malt Normandie — \$23 — 92 proof**

Le Breuil is a single malt from Normandy produced by Château du Breuil, a house better known for Calvados, and the strongest consistent public detail on the bottle is that it is made from 100% Golden Promise barley and matured in a mix of American and French oak. That recipe gives it a softer, silkier profile than many young single malts—sweet almond, vanilla, stone fruit, fresh grain, and a gentle oak line that feels polished rather than raw. What makes it matter is its sense of place: this is Normandy speaking in whisky rather than apple brandy, with a Calvados house applying its cellar culture to malt for a distinctly northern French result.

• **Michel Couvreur Alba — \$127 — 92 proof**

Alba is one of Michel Couvreur's clearest wine-cask statements: distilled on May 20, 1997, matured for 17 years in Fino, then given 5 additional years in a dry Chenin cask from Sot de l'Ange in the Loire before bottling in 2020. The official sheet describes it as light, subtle, floral, and energetic, with white wine, honey, vanilla, and white-flower tones rather than peat or sherry weight; just 420 bottles were produced, with no water and no filtration. What makes it matter is that it shows exactly what Couvreur believed—that cask raising in Burgundy could shape whisky into something long, complex, and fully expressive without relying on smoke.

• **Michel Couvreur Overaged — \$25 — 86 proof**

Overaged is Michel Couvreur's classic flagship, and the best bottle-specific technical sheet still circulating describes it as a 12-year-old malt whisky built from 54 different malts, matured in Pedro Ximénez butts, and bottled at 43% ABV after cellar ageing in Burgundy. That construction explains the style the house keeps emphasizing around Overaged: dried flowers, blond tobacco, sherry wine, rich almond, and a little smoke, all delivered with unusual softness rather than cask-force drama. What makes it matter is that this is the bottle that most cleanly summarizes the Couvreur philosophy—Scottish distillate, Burgundian cave ageing, and sherry-led maturity treated as the true signature of the whisky.

• **Michel Couvreur 1989–2019 30 Years Old 'Tria Juncta in Uno' — \$345 — 49.92% ABV**

Created for the house's 30-year milestone, Tria Juncta in Uno is a blended malt of three whiskies: 25-year-old and 29-year-old very sherried malts from PX casks, joined by Michel Couvreur's 16-year-old Bere Barley whisky, then matured in Burgundy in the house style. The

effect should read deep and seamless rather than merely dark—old sherry, dried fruit, cereal depth, walnut, leather, and a long, composed finish. It matters because it is one of the clearest summations of Michel Couvreur's philosophy: Scottish distillate, French élevage, and cask maturity as the true author of character.

• **Michel Couvreur Spirale Chapter IV 2010–2023 — \$221 — 51.5% ABV**

Chapter IV of Spirale is a single-cask whisky built from Golden Promise new make racked in 2010 and matured through an old Stéphane Tissot Vin de Paille barrel, with 380 bottles drawn at natural strength in January 2023. The style is exactly the kind of wine-cask translation Couvreur does so well: candied fruit, quince paste, toasted cereals, roasted notes, and a silky, mellow texture with real concentration. It matters because it pushes the house's Burgundy-wine dialogue into Jura territory, showing how French cask culture can reshape Scottish malt without losing elegance.

• **Michel Couvreur Intravaganza — \$23 — 100 proof**

Intravagan'za sits at the younger, more high-strung end of the Michel Couvreur range: surviving technical material describes it as a single malt cereal spirit aged about 3 years in Oloroso and Moscatel casks in the most humid part of the cellar, and merchant references for the standard bottle align with your sheet's 50% ABV. The point of the whisky is not old age but texture and concentration—almond, honey, malt, dried fruit, floral tones, and a sherry-shaped richness that feels surprisingly rounded for something this young. What makes it matter is that Intravagan'za is essentially Couvreur's argument that cellar conditions and cask choice can give a youthful spirit real silk and character long before conventional maturity would suggest it.

• **Michel Couvreur VJ Maturation — \$41 — 96 proof**

VJ Maturation is the house's Vin Jaune dialogue in whisky form: the current official edition is a 9-year-old single malt distilled in 2015 and matured in casks from Stéphane Tissot's Vin Jaune program, with the producer emphasizing Savagnin-driven notes, sotolon richness, minerality, and elegant bitterness. The result should read lighter and more tensile than the deeper sherry-led Couvreaux—roasted nuts, fresh grain, oxidative-wine complexity, and a finish that stays precise rather than broad. What makes it matter is that this is one of Michel Couvreur's most distinctively French ideas, turning Jura wine-cask exchange into a recognizable house sub-style rather than a one-off curiosity.

• **Michel Couvreur Whisky Very Sherried 27 Years Old — U.S. edition — \$198 — 48% ABV**

For the U.S. edition, Michel Couvreur describes this as a single-cask whisky specially bottled for its American distributor: distilled on October 5, 1991, matured for more than 20 years in a Cream PX sherry butt, and bottled at 48% ABV. The texture is the point here—dark amber, silky, round, concentrated, and deeply sherried, with vanilla, dried fruit, warm spice, and a long, old-fashioned finish. It matters because Very Sherried is one of the house's emblem bottles, the place where Michel Couvreur's Burgundy maturation style becomes most opulent and unmistakable.

• **Michel Couvreur fleeting — \$38 — 98 proof / 49% ABV**

• **Naguelann Ruz Red Wine Cask — \$28 — 90 proof**

Ruz! is Naguelann's Breton single malt built from 100% local Bretagne malted barley, distilled in a Portuguese-style Unicobres copper pot still and aged in first-fill ex-Saint-Émilion casks, with gravity filtration, no added color, and dilution only with Plancoët mineral water from Brittany. The whisky was originally conceived as a way to 'wash' Lénéaick Lemaître's Bordeaux barrels before

using them for other stock, yet it emerges far more integrated than that origin story suggests: jammy red fruit, raisins, soft tannin, spice, and vinous lift all settle into a whisky that feels vivid but composed. What makes it matter is that it expresses Naguelann's whole philosophy in miniature—Brittany first, cask starting rather than cask finishing, and a red-wine dialogue that feels structural rather than cosmetic.

• **Roborel de Climens Vin Jaune — \$25 — 96 proof**

This limited Savagnin / Vin Jaune release is made by double maturation: first 30 months in French oak barrels, with 20% new oak and 80% second-fill, then a further 12 months in ex-Vin Jaune barrels that previously held 100% Savagnin from Domaine Badoz in the Côtes du Jura. Bottled in May 2022 at 48% ABV, with an outturn of 1,352 bottles, it is one of the clearest demonstrations of the house style—French barley, malted, brewed, and distilled in France, then shaped by a grape-led finishing program that aims for oxidation, walnut, dried apricot, currant, and rancio rather than simple sweetness. What makes it matter is that Roborel de Climens treats wine casks not as decoration but as terroir-specific authors of flavor, and Vin Jaune is one of the most distinctly French examples in the range.

• **Rozelieures Rare Four Casks — \$29 — 80 proof**

Rozelieures presents itself as a true single-estate whisky house in Lorraine, one of the few distilleries to control the entire process in-house from grain growing and malting to brewing, distillation, and ageing. For the Special Four Casks release, trade descriptions consistently identify the recipe as a marriage of Sauternes, sherry, bourbon, and Cognac casks, which fits both the 'Rare Collection' framing and the distillery's broader habit of building complexity through layered French and international oak influences. What makes it matter is that the bottle reads as a very French answer to luxury single malt: estate-made, cask-composed, and more interested in textural harmony than in brute strength or peat.

REST OF THE WORLD

TAIWANESE

Kavalan Distillery stands at the forefront of modern world whisky: established as the first non-government-owned whisky distillery in Yilan in 2005, Taiwan, named for the region's old identity, and remarkable for proving that great single malt need not come from Scotland or Japan alone. What makes it outstanding is the way place shapes style — Snow Mountain water, a warm humid climate that drives fast, intense maturation, and a spirit profile celebrated for lush tropical fruit, texture, and cask richness. As Taiwan's first private whisky distillery, and the producer behind the 2015 World's Best Single Malt, Kavalan has become both a national landmark and one of whisky's great contemporary success stories.

• **Kavalan Personal Blend — bottled 11/29/2017 — not available**

This appears to be a custom Kavalan personal blend rather than a regular distillery expression: a one-off bottle likely created through the distillery's DIY blending program, where visitors make

a unique whisky to take home. Because I could not verify the exact component whiskies or bottle strength for your specific 2017 bottling, I would keep this description disciplined and bottle-led: a private Taiwanese blend shaped by Kavalan's ripe-fruit, clean-oak house style rather than a formal release recipe. What makes it matter is precisely that individuality—it is a personal distillery-made bottling, not a shelf standard.

•Kavalan 'Concertmaster' Port Cask Finish — \$36 — 86 proof / 43% ABV

•Kavalan Triple Sherry Cask — \$41 — 86 proof / 43% ABV

INDIAN

• Amrut Single Malt Fusion — \$31 — 100 proof / 50% ABV

• Amrut Single Malt Peated — \$33 — 92 proof / 46% ABV

• Indri Single Malt 'Trini' — \$23 — 92 proof / 46% ABV

• Indri Single Malt 'Agnaya' — \$27 — 92 proof / 46% ABV

NEW ZEALAND

• The Cardrona Single Malt Whisky — \$83 — 127.8 proof / 63.9% ABV

DANISH

• Stauning Floor Malted Rye Whisky — \$24 — 96 proof / 48% ABV

AUSTRALIAN

• Starward Single Malt Whisky — \$23 — 100 proof / 50% ABV
