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WHISKEY

AND

BOURBON





TASTING NOTEBOOK



JASPERS BAR WHISKY TASTING NOTEBOOK WITH FOREWORD BY CHARLES MCLEAN MBE

"Charles Maclean is Scotland's leading whisky expert." - The Times

Keep track our your whisky journey in our exclusive pocket-sized notebooks.

Appreciating whisky, with Sir Charles MacLean MBE

Jaspers first spoke with Charles as he was being chauffeured from a successful day out at an undisclosed Scottish distillery. Charles kindly agreed to share some of his boundless enthusiasm with Jaspers and together we've created a pocket-sized notebook. That his brother lives in Fremantle probably helps.

Please buy a copy from our staff. All profits from the sale of our notebooks will be donated to Ride for Youth and BeyondBlue. Having 16 books published to date on whisky, including the excellent *Whiskypedia*, (which you should find on our shelves) Charles MacLean has spent more than thirty years researching, writing, and lecturing about Scotch whisky. A member of the Judging Panel (Spirits) of the International Wines & Spirits Competition 2009 he was elected Master of the Quaich, and in 2015 became the 37th name in the Whisky Hall of Fame.

Notebooks, \$12.



BLAGGERS GUIDE



NAVIGATE OUR WHISKY MENU

LIKE A MASTER OF THE QUAICH

Gaelic is the founding language of Scotland that is thought to originate from Ireland, then mixed with a bit of Norse and lots of rich regional flair.

You may not even realise it, but you already do speak some Gaelic. 'Whisky' is the short form of *whiskybae*, from *uisge-beatha*, meaning the 'water of life'. And 'Glen' simply means 'valley'.

Generally, 'ch' tends to sound like Bach (the composer), or you can use a hard 'k' sound. There are 8 or 9 vowels (/i e ε a \circ o u \times ut/), which make for some beautiful names...

Aberlour: 'Aber-lauer'

'Lauer', like Jack Bauer. The dram is gentler on the soul than the non-sleeping saviour.

Auchroisk: 'Othrusk'

Until 2001, the distillery produced single malt liquid for The Singleton Scotch whisky brand, since Auchroisk was deemed too difficult to pronounce!

Auchentoshan: Okk-en-toshen

Just beautiful. 'Corner of the field'.

Bruichladdich: 'Brook-laddy'

There's no 'ick' or 'ich' sound at the end. Often interpreted as 'stony shore bank', referring to its rugged island location.

Bunnahabhain: 'Boona-havven'

'Foot of the River' *Bonn* (bottom) *abhainn* (stream or river).

Caol Ila: 'Cool Isla'

'Caol' is Gaelic for 'narrow sea channel'.

Glenrothes: 'Glen rothis'

The temptation is to say it like 'clothes', but (of course) it's a bit more weird than that.

Glen Garioch: 'Glen Geery'

Okay, we said 'ch' is 'k', yes, except when it's not. 'Glen of the rough ground'.

Laphroaig: 'La-froy'

Tecnically there's a soft 'g' at the end, but we pronounce it the same as Pemberton's rippling waterway, the Lefroy. Thought to mean 'the beautiful hollow by the broad bay'.

Ledaig: 'Led-chig'

A decpetive little one. Replace 'aig' for 'chig' which is made at the Tobermory Distillery on the Isle of Mull.

Kilchoman: 'Kilhoman'

It would seem naturally to replace the 'cho' sound with 'ko', but, alas, the 'c' is silent.

Oban: 'Oben'

Fianally, no one's getting in trouble for this one, as even the 'e' isn't really heard. It's more 'Ob'n'.

Or just point and smile. That's okay.

FIRST DRAMS



@GENTLEMANSGAZETTE

GENTLEMAN'S GAZETTE WHISKY 101

When you're selecting your first dram of Scotch, stick with a gentler spirit. A 'gentle' whisky will contain no peat, which makes the dram sweeter and the burn minimal and the aromas and flavours should excite.

By making one of the following your first introduction to whisky, it should act as a warm hug rather than a slap in the face.

Auchentoshan Three Wood

Triple distilled single malt from the lowland region of Scotland. Because it's unpeated, the spirit is far more delicate and sweet. Matured in American bourbon casks, Oloroso sherry and Pedro Ximenez Sherry casks – each giving it a unique flavours with significant complexity.

Dalwhinnie 15yo

Known as 'The Gentle Spirit'. It's not a very complex whisky but has a certain crispness. It is recommended for first timers due to its lack of fullness (in this case a very good thing) and the simpler flavours are easier to distinguish. For a fuller experience, try our flights. Three 15ml shots served in Glen Cairn glasses with ice and water on the side, with tasting notes.

WHISKY 101, \$29

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Auchentoshan Three Wood, 43%ABV Dalwhinnie 15yo, 43%ABV Glenfiddich, 12yo, 40%ABV

SIX FIRST WHISKIES TO TRY

- Auchentoshan Three Wood, 43%ABV, \$16
- Dalwhinnie 15yo, 43% ABV, \$19
- Dalmore 12yo, 40% ABV, \$19
- Glenfiddich 12yo, 40% ABV, \$14
- Balvenie 12yo Double Wood, 40%ABV, n/a
- Bladnoch 11yo, 46.7% ABV, n/a

BANG FOR YOUR BUCK



@JEREMYSIERS

JEREMY SIERS 'MAN SH*T' TOP FIVE

Ardbeg 10yo, 46%ABV, \$16

Not for the feint of heart. If you're favourite is a strawberry daiquiri, or a lot of sugar in your coffee, it's going ruin your day. If you like espressso, bitter flavours, cigars, this might be your guy. If I go from aggressive Islay Scotch and then I switch over to some other more tame whiskies, those whiskies taste buttery smooth and delicious. It's like a BBQ grill.

Dalmore 12yo, 40%ABV, \$19

Way friendlier [than the Ardbeg 10]... a way easier introduction into Scotch. It's one the closet to bourbon. A lot of the same smells, tastes... vanillary, sweet.

Michter's US*1 American Whiskey, 41.7% ABV, \$19

Bourbon is aged in new oak barrels, American whiskey is aged in used oak barrels, so it's

whiskey is aged in used oak barrels, so it's called a whiskey, not a bourbon. Mapley, brown sugary smell. You can't be mad with that.

Elijah Craig, 46%ABV, \$13

I should have tried this stuff way, way sooner. One of the best examples I would say of a classic bourbon. This epitomises the flavour profiles that you would assume you would get... cinnamons, vanillas, caramels, oak... it's got all the good stuff.

Woodford Reserve Double Oaked, 43.2%ABV, \$14

One of my all time most recommended bourbons. I'm not a fan over overly wooded bourbons. Some taste like you're sucking on a frikkin barrel stave. This, to me, is maple syrup. All I smell is syrup, pancakes, waffles... reminds me of breakfast.



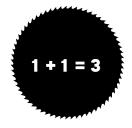
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JEREMY'S MAN SH*T, \$29

Ardbeg 10yo, 46%ABV Michter's US*1 American Whiskey, 41.7%ABV Woodford Reserve Double Oaked, 43.2%ABV

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BOILERMAKERS



MATCHING BEERS WITH WHISKY & BOURBON

The 200-year old name 'Boilermaker' is literally taken from those who built and maintained steam locomotives in the 1800s. After a hard days work, a shot and a beer became a staple for easing away the pains of the day. Now we tend to savour, not slam.





FULL-BODIED, \$24

Jameson Caskmates Stout Edition 40%ABV + Guinness Extra Stout, 6%ABV

Fantastic swirls of deep black with a blood orange tinge with Italian espresso aromas & dark chocolate which linger on the palete to add depth to the twist on this Irish classic.



TOOLBOX, \$38

Tomatin Cu Bocan #1 – Stout Cask, 46%ABV Cheeky Monkey IPA, 6.2%ABV

All the full IPA flavours coupled with this Highlands special edition, finished in Imperial Stout Casks; sweet and buttery with hints of orange marmalade and espresso. Imagine if Frankenstein was built in a Men's Shed and emerged as Gary Ablett (either one). Brilliant.

DARK AND SMOKEY, \$31

Ardberg 10yo, 46%ABV

+ Boston Shark Eye Stout 5.6%ABV

"The most complex of all" classic Islay – sweet, peaty, smokey & spicey – blends harmoniously with the oak-aged oatmeal stout.

OPPOSITES ATTRACT, \$27

Laphroaig 10yo, 40%ABV + Cheeky Monkey Kölsch, 4.2%ABV

Sipping on an ale designed for summer and chasing it with a classic peaty winter warmer may sound like madness, but these contrasting, argumentative flavours will bring an appreciation of each others qualities that may have previously been taken for granted.





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TWO MONKEYS, \$26 Monkey Shoulder w/Ginger Ale, 40%ABV + Cheeky Monkey Kölsch, 4.2%ABV

"Like 007 wearing a tuxedo wetsuit" – a duo as smooth as it gets: toasted barley, butterscotch, manuka honey, hot-buttered-toast vibe, paired with the bready, subtle spice of this refreshing kölsch.

TWO LITTLE PIGS, \$28 Hogs 3 Bourbon + Coke, 40%ABV + Feral Hop Hog Pale Ale, 5.8%ABV

Award-winning American Pale Ale with massive pine needle and citrus aromas coupled with rich and mellow rye, Coke and ice. Add on our Pork Belly Rubs & make it a triple-oink.



BLUEY, \$30

Canadian Club 20yo, 40%ABV + Boston Tingletop, 3.5%ABV

The classic Canadian whisky couples with ginger ale, so Denmark's refreshing ginger beer is perfect with this deep & complex 20yo.

BUFFALO BROWN, \$24.50

Buffalo Trace, 45%ABV

+ Boston Right Nut Brown Ale, 5.7% ABV

Brown sugar, sweet oak and chocolate raisins reach a new level of complexity combined with the nutty fruity hops of this fine ale.

SURF N TURF, \$30 Michter's US*1 Bourbon, 45.7%ABV + Cheeky Monkey XPA, 4.8%ABV

Clean and fresh refreshing XPA with citrus notes paired with the smooth caramel & grassy notes from small batch aged bourbon from America's first distiller (1753).



STUNT DRIVER, \$30 Lyre's American Malt w/Ginger Ale, 0.0%ABV

Heaps Normal, Quite XPA, LESS THAN 0.5% ABV

+ Caramelised white chocolate, \$4

^{*4} Honey notes, vanilla & toasted nuts 'bourbon' matched
 ^{*4} with World Beer Award's full-flavoured XPA.

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CHOCOLATE PAIRS





Jaspers x **Southern Forests Chocolate Company** presents hand-crafted, thin slices of cacao heaven that melt on the tongue and pair with magnificent whiskies.

SALTED GOLD

Caramelised white chocolate with soft and crunchy Maldon Sea Salt flakes. Rich notes of toffee, butter and cream, with the salty notes pairing with these sea-facing distilleries.

Old Pulteney 17yo, 46%ABV + CHOCOLATE, **\$70** Double Gold – San Francisco World Spirits Awards – this is a rare bottle Best Single Malt Aged 16-21 Years (Multiple Casks) – Jim Murray's Whisky Bible 2013

Oban 14yo, 43%ABV + CHOCOLATE, **\$30** Classic malt, with slightly salty coastal character, a touch of golden syrup & subtle smoke.

VELVET CREAM

Milk Couverture 33.6% milk chocolate – Caramelised cacao and cream notes with a rich and velvety mouth feel. These whiskies offer a suitable smoothness.

Dalwhinnie 15yo, 43%ABV + CHOCOLATE, **\$24** Glenkinchie Distillers 12yo, 43%ABV + CHOCOLATE, **\$27** Astonishing balance between the sweet and dry flavours of vanilla and grape, nuttly tones

DARK FRUITS

55% Dark Couverture – cacao beans are roasted whole for a full-bodied dark chocolate, with bittersweet tones and a subtle fruit and vanilla finish, brining out the fruits in each of these.

Glenmorangie Signet, 46%ABV + CHOCOLATE, **\$48** Made with precious chocolate malt spirit, espresso-like intensity – stunning

Spring Bay Sherry Cask, 46%ABV + CHOCOLATE, \$34

Glorious Tasmian whisky - aalted caramel and Crunchy Nut Cornflakes, hint of prosciutto

DEEP & RICH

Single Origin Ecuador 70.4% – intense, deep roasted cacao, lively fruitiness and complexing hints of whiskey, rum & tobacco melts on the tongue with these complex whiskies.

Ardbeg Uigeadail ("Oog-a-dal"), 54.2%ABV + CHOCOLATE, **\$29** Deep, smoky notes with luscious, raisiny tones of old ex-Sherry casks.

Lagavulin 16yo, 43%ABV + CHOCOLATE, \$34 Celebrated for its strong smoke and seaweed aromas, backed by a nutty complexity and light fruitiness



FLIGHTS



Three 15ml shots that unfold a story. Each 'flight' is presented on a jarrah board with water, ice and tasting notes.

WHISKY 101, \$29

Auchentoshan

Dalwhinnie

Glenfiddich

If this is your first foray into whisky, then "Slàinte!" (cheers in Scotland). This trio has been carefully chosen for their smoothness and lighter flavours.

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LOWLANDS LOWLANDS SPEYSIDE

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LOWLANDS SPEYSIDE Three Wood, 43% ABV 15yo, 43%ABV 12yo, 40% ABV

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WHISKY 102, \$33

Ever-popular and now updated with The Macallan Triple Cask for even more flavour. Glenmorangie 10yo, 40% ABV The Macallan Triple Cask 12yo, 40%ABV Oban 14vo, 43%ABV



SPEYSIDE NO.2, \$39

Three, perhaps, less obvious full flavour choices that we believe will pique your senses. Balvenie Caribbean Cask 14yo, 43% ABV Glenrothes Whisky Makers Cut, 48.8% ABV Glenfarclas 105 Cask Strength, 60%ABV

SHERRY SANDWICH, \$27

A triple-distilled Auchentoshan offering a counter-balance between the two rich sherry matured expressions, all at 12yo and all at 40%

LOWLANDS	Glenrothes	12уо, 40%авv
LOWLANDS	Auchentoshan	12уо, 40% авv
LOWLANDS	Aberlour	12уо, 40% авv

RABBIE BURNS, \$33

The quintessentially Scottish Robert Burns was born January 25th, 1759, and we celebrate with a trio of drams from the sweeping locations where he spent his life; Ayr, Edinburgh & Dumfries.

LOWLANDS	The Arran	Machrie Moor, 46%ABV
LOWLANDS	Glenkinchie	12yo, 43%abv
LOWLANDS	Bladnoch	Samsara, 46.7%ABV
	Go all-in and add a De	ep-fried Mars bar with vanilla ice cream & salted caramel sauce, \$12

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TRANSPACIFIC FLIGHTS



Three 15ml shots that unfold a story. Each 'flight' is presented on a jarrah board with water, ice and tasting notes.



Bourbon is a type of American whiskey, distilled from a mash made primarily from a minimum of 51% corn. Corn ensures that bourbon is a sweeter experience than Scotch whisky.

KENTUCKY KENTUCKY TEXAS

40%abv 90 Proof, 40%abv Outlaw, 46%abv

JEREMY'S MAN SH*T, \$29

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Buffalo Trace

Maker's Mark

Yellow Rose

10yo, 46%ABV US*1 American Whiskey, 41.7%ABV Double Oaked, 43.2%ABV



FLIGHTS



Three 15ml shots that unfold a story. Each 'flight' is presented on a jarrah board with water, ice and tasting notes.

LIMITED EDITIONS

All these flights feature bottles that we'll never be able to buy again. Once they're gone, that's it.



OLD & RARE, \$135

83 years in the making. An astonishing trio that comes with a copy of our Whisky Tasting notebook, created with Scotland's finest nose, Charles McLean.

HIGHLANDS Glengoyne SPEYSIDE Linkwood ORKNEY ISLANDS Highland

Glengoyne21yLinkwood37yHighland Park25y

21yo, 43%abv 37yo, 50.3%abv 25yo, 45.7%abv

MYTHS & LEGENDS, \$52

Each year the goliath that is Diageo unveils a stellar cast of cask-aged special releases, which are rarer and often distinct from it's usual expressions. This trio is inspired by the myths and fables held within the rugged Scottish terrain.

SPEYSIDE Cardhu ISLAY Lagavulin ISLE OF SKYE Talisker

 2021 Special Release 14yo, 55.5%ABV
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 2021 Special Release 12yo, 56.5%ABV
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 2021 Special Release 8yo, 59.7%ABV
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WORLD'S BEST, \$45

A trio of experts offer their most astonishing drams of 2021 and 2022. This is all about outstanding quality without draining the Super.

ISLE OF MULL Ledaig HIGHLAND Glenmorangie ISLAY Bruichladdich 10yo, 46.3%ABV | Ralfy.com, Whisky of the Year 2021 Signet, 46%ABV | Luxe Digital, Whisky of the Year 2022 Port Charlotte 10, 50%ABV | TWE Whisky of the Year 2021

OF SPIRIT & SEA, \$47

"Today's rain is tomorrow's whisky." Spring Bay's boutique whisky has been sculpted by the elements; imbued with the purity of earth, water and sky.

TASMANIA Spring Bay

Chardonnay Apera Cask Matured, 2017, 46%ABV Bourbon Cask Matured, 2017, 46%ABV Port Cask Matured, 2017, 46%ABV

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WELCOME TO WREXHAM, \$37

A trio of Welsh whisky wizardry from the award-winning Pendeyrn Distillery in the Brecon Beacons. Crisp and finely rounded, packing fruity punch – this is Tom Jones at his bellowing best.

WALES Penderyn

Penderyn Myth, 41%ABV*Penderyn Portwood, 41%ABV*Penderyn Madeira Finish, 46%ABV*



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AUSTRALIAN WHISKY

AUSTRALIA

	Adelaide Hills	 * Native Grain Whisky, 46.2% ABV, \$59 First ever release, barrel BQ001, distilled from native wattleseed and malted barley. Limited to just 142 bottles which sold out at the distillery. Yes, we have one.
	Archie Rose	Rye Malt Whisky, 46% ABV, \$18 World's Best Rye Whisky – World Whisky Masters (London) Best Rye Whisky – International Review of Spirits
	Limeburners	Port Cask, 43%ABV, \$23 Sherry Finish, 43%ABV, \$23 Directors Cut, 61%ABV, \$42 ALBANY, WA
000	Overeem FLIGHT	Port Cask, 43%ABV, \$24 Sherry Cask, 43%ABV, \$24 Port Cask Matured, 63%ABV, \$32 All three of the above, half shots
UUU	Starward	Two-Fold Double Grain, 40%ABV, \$11 MELBOURNE, NSW Nova Signature Single Malt – Pinot, Shiraz & Cab Sav barrels from Yarra and Barossa, 41%ABV, \$15 Solera – Apera cask , 46%ABV, \$19 Fortis – American Oak, 50%ABV, \$21
	Spring Bay	Port Cask Matured, 46%ABV, \$29 Chardonnay Cask Single Malt, 46%ABV, \$29 Bourbon Cask Single Malt, 46%ABV, \$29 Sherry Cask, 46%ABV, \$29 TASMANIA
	Sullivans Cove	 * American Oak, 47.5% ABV, \$58 * Double Cask Single Malt, 2018, 40% ABV, \$32 TASMANIA



WORLD WHISKY



CANADA

Canadian Club

	20yo Classic, 40%ABV, \$14
BOILERMAKER	Limited, each bottle is individually numbered Bluey 2–20yo + Boston Tingletop
J.P. Wiser's	18yo, 40% ABV, \$14

1858 Classic, 37.5% ABV, \$8

JAPAN

White Oak

Akashi 3yo, Olorosso Sherry Cask, 50%ABV, **\$52**

Shinsu	* Mars Komagatake Kohiganzakura
	Nature of Shinshu, 52%ABV, \$55
	Subtle wafts of tobacco drift between notes of strawberry, mint and yet more nectarine

SWEDEN

 Sweden has some of the world's purest water, filtered to perfection since the Ice Age

 Mackmyra
 Brukswhisky, 41.4%ABV, \$26

 * Gruvguld, 46.1%ABV, \$26

- Gruvguld (Gold from the mine) has been aged in small casks of 30, 100 and 128 litres * Moment Prestige, 46.1% ABV, **\$39** Casks – ex-champagne French oak from artisinal producer Philipponnat Moment Einthere 1, 40% (1994) **\$25**
 - * Moment Fjällmark, 42% ABV, **\$35** Cask – Swedish cloudberry wine, Oloroso and Pedro Ximénez sherry

TAIWAN

Kavalan * Single Malt Whiksy, 40%ABV, **\$29** * Solist Fino Sherry Cask Strength, 57%ABV, **\$79**

IRELAND

Bushmills	Black Bush, 40%ABV, \$9.50 91 points – Jim Murrays Whisky Bible 2006
Jameson	Irish Whiskey, 40%ABV, \$9.50 95 – Jim Murrays Whisky Bible 2006 Caskmates Stout or IPA Edition, 40%ABV, \$11
Redbreast	12yo Pot Still, 40%ABV, \$21





Aberlour	A'Bunadh Batch, 59.8%ABV, \$23 12yo Double Cask Matured, 40%ABV, \$15
AnCnoc	12yo, 40% ABV, \$15
Balvenie	14yo, Caribbean Cask, 43%авv, \$24 12yo, Doublewood, 40%авv, \$17
BenRiach	 * Cask Strength – Batch 1, 57.2%ABV, \$18 "If you don't fall in love with this one, stick to vodka." – Jim Murray Peated Quarter Casks, 46%ABV, \$15 * 17yo, Septendecim, 46%ABV, \$18 * 22yo, Albariza Peated PX Sherry, 46%ABV, \$45
Glenfarclas	 105 Cask Strength, 60%ABV, \$27 12yo, 43%ABV, \$15 * 15yo, 46%ABV, \$25 * 17yo, 43%ABV, \$27 "A stupendous addition to the range. 93 points." – Jim Murray * 25yo, 43%ABV, \$42
Glen Grant	18yo Rare Edition, 43% ABV, \$27 Jim Murray's Scotch Whisky of the Year for 2017, 2019 and 2020.
Glenfiddich	12yo, 40%авv \$14 15yo, Distillery Edition Cask Strength, 51%авv, \$23 18yo, 40%авv, \$31 Experiment 02 Project XX, 47%авv, \$21
Glenrothes	12уо, 40%авv, \$17 Whisky Makers Cut, 48.8%авv, \$21 18уо, 43%авv, \$36
Linkwood	* 37yo, 1978 – Diageo Special Releases, 2016, 50.3%ABV, \$137
Macallan, The	 12yo, Sherry Matured, 40%ABV, \$20 12yo, Triple Cask (on flight), 43%ABV, \$22 * 10yo, Fine Oak, Triple Cask, 43%ABV, \$45 * 18yo, Fine Oak, 43%ABV, \$65 * Edition No. 2 Limited Release, 48.2%ABV, \$169
Tomintoul	* Peaty Tang Single Malt, 40%ABV, \$14 "Faultlessly clean distillate that revels in its unaccustomed peaty role." – Jim Murray





ISLAY

Ardbeg	 10yo, 46%ABV, \$16 "If perfection on the palate exists, this is it" – Jim Murray An Oa, 46.6%ABV, \$19 Blaaack, 46%ABV, \$99 Corryvreckan, 57.1%ABV, \$29 * Perpetuum, 2015 Ardbeg Day Special Release, 47.4%ABV, \$125 * Dark Cove, 2016 Ardbeg Day Special Release, 46.5%ABV, \$95 * Kelpie, 2017 Ardbeg Day Special Release, 46%ABV, \$99 * Grooves, 2018 Ardbeg Day Special Release, 46%ABV, \$75 * Drum, 2019 Ardbeg Day Special Release, 46%ABV, \$33 Uigeadail, 54.2%ABV, \$24 – 9.25 – Michael Jackson, whiskmag.com Wee Beastie, 47.4%ABV, \$13
Bruichladdich	 * 2010 IG Bere Barley, 59.8%ABV, \$19 * Octomore 11.1, 59.4%ABV, \$37 * Adelphi 12yo, 2003 Cask Strength, 56.6%ABV, \$39 * Port Charlotte, PC10, Heavily Peated, 46%ABV, \$19
Caol Ila	* 15yo, 2000 – Diageo Special Releases, 2016, 61.5%ABV, \$39
Gordon & MacPh	* 25yo, 43%ABV, \$69 ail * 2003 Private Collection Sassicaia Wood Finish, 45%ABV, \$49
Kilchoman	 * 100% Islay 9th Edition, 50%ABV, \$27 * 100% Islay 5th Edition, 50%ABV, \$38 <i>"100% Stunning!"- Jim Murray's Whisky Bible 2017.</i> * Loch Gorm, Sherry Cask, 46%ABV, \$32 * STR Cask Matured, 50%ABV, \$39 Sanaig, 46%ABV, \$24 Best NAS malt for 2016 at the IWSC
Lagavulin	* 8yo, 48%ABV, \$17 12yo, 48%ABV, \$31 16yo, 43%ABV, \$29
Laphroaig	10yo, 40%ABV, \$17 Lore, 48%ABV, \$28 <i>Liquid Gold Award – 2017 Jim Murray's Whisky Bible</i> Quarter Cask, 48%ABV, \$22 * An Cuan Mor, 48%ABV, \$26 * Triple Wood, 48%ABV, \$21 * 25yo, 2008 edition, 50.9%ABV, \$85





HIGHLANDS

Arran, The	Machrie Moor, 46%ABV, \$19
	Dried grass, peat smoke and hints of vanilla and tropical fruit
Dalmore, The	12yo, 40% ABV, \$19
	15уо, 40% Аву, \$19
	17yo, Cigar Malt Reserve 40%ABV, \$29
Dalwhinnie	15yo, 43% ABV, \$19
	Distiller's Edition Double Matured, 43%ABV, \$25
GlenDronach	* Peated, 46%ABV, \$18
	* 21yo, Parliament Single Malt, 48%ABV, \$41
	"Anyone looking to experience 'old school' sherry styles without a \$500+ outlay should try this
	– a near extinct breed in its price bracket." – Jim Murray
Glengoyne	* 21yo, 43%abv, \$52
	Matured exclusively in hand-selected sherry casks
Glenmorangie	* Bacalta 2017 (Private Edition), 46%ABV, \$19
	* Ealanta 1993 (Private Edition), 46%ABV, \$99
	* Cake 46%ABV, \$59
	10yo, Original 40%ABV, \$13
	Signet, 46% ABV, $43 - Whisky$ of the Year , IWC 2016
Highland Park	* 25уо, 45.7% ABV, \$135
	An emperor of a dram. 96 points – Jim Murray's Whisky Bible 2013
	* Sigurd, 43%ABV, \$33 – 96 points, <i>Jim Murray</i>
	* Harald, 40% ABV, 24 – named after Harald Fairhair, the King of Norway
Oban	14yo, 46% ABV, \$25
	Little Bay, 43%ABV, \$25
Old Pulteney	* 21yo, 46% ABV, \$79
	Old Pulteney 21YO takes 2012 World Whisky Crown!
	* 17yo, 46% ABV, \$65
	Best Single Malt Aged 16-21 Years (Multiple Casks) – Jim Murray's Whisky Bible 2013
Talisker	* 175th Anniversary Limited Edition, 48.5%ABV, \$59
	* 57° North, 57% ABV, \$47 – Liquid Gold Award – 2014, Jim Murray's Whisky Bible
	10уо, 45.8% Авv, \$16
Tomatin	Cu Bocan Creation #1 – Japanese Shochu Casks, 46%ABV, \$23
	Cu Bocan Creation #2 –
	Black Isle Brewert Imperial Stout Casks, 46%ABV, \$23



CAMPBELTOWN

Hazelburn	* 10yo, 46% ABV, \$31
Springbank	 * 10yo, Bourbon Cask, 46% ABV, \$35 The perfect introduction to the Springbank range. Matured in a bourbon and sherry casks * 12yo, Green, 46% ABV, \$49

LOWLANDS

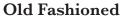
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Bladnoch	15yo, Adela, 46.7%авv, \$29 Samsara, 46.7%авv, \$21
Glenkinchie	12yo, 43%ABV, \$18 Distiller's Edition, Double Matured, 43% ABV, \$24

BLENDED SCOTTISH WHISKY

Ballantine's	Finest, 40% ABV, \$10 Expertly blended and bottled in Dumbarton and uses a unique selection of single malt and grain whiskies from the four whisky regions of Scotland
Chivas Regal	12yo, 2017, 40%ABV, \$12
Johnnie Walker	Black Label, 40%ABV, \$10 Double Black, 40%ABV, \$12 Gold Label Reserve, 40%ABV, \$17 Green Label, 43%ABV, \$16 <i>"God, I love this stuff this is exactly how a vatted malt should be." – Jim Murray</i> Blender's Batch, Rye Cask 40%ABV, \$17 Select Casks, Rye Cask 40%ABV, \$17
Monkey Shoulder	Brilliantly made for mixing, 40%ABV, \$11 add Fever Tree Ginger Ale & slice of Orange, \$4



BOURBON & WHISKEY



Double pour Buffalo Trace Bourbon (40%ABV), Sugar Syrup, Bitters. Fresh Orange Peel and a Maraschino Cherry, **\$25**

Blanton's	 * Original Private Reserve, 125 proof, 46.5%ABV, \$16 Multi-award winning including Gold Medal – SWSC 2020 Double Gold – SWSC 2018 IWSC 2015 & 2012 * Gold Original Single Barrel, 103 proof, 51.5%ABV, \$22
Buffalo Trace	Kentucky Straight Bourbon, 40% ABV, \$9.50 The Buffalo Trace distillery has been awarded Distillery of the Year' 7 times and Buffalo Trace has been award over 22 national and international awards.
Bulleit	95 Straight Rye, Green label, 45%ABV, \$15 Frontier Bourbon, Orange label 45%ABV, \$9.50
Elijah Craig	* Single Barrel, 47% ABV, \$13
Evan Williams	2008 Single Barrel Vintage Bourbon, 43.3% ABV, \$13 Double Gold Medal – International Wine and Spirit Competition (IWSC) 2022
George T. Stagg	* Ltd Ed Barrel Proof, uncut/unflitered, 65.2%ABV, \$69
Hogs 3	Kentucky Straight Bourbon, 40%ABV, \$10 Silver Medal – International Wine and Spirit Competition (IWSC) 2017
I. W. Harper	* 15yo Kentucky Straight Bourbon, 43%ABV, \$27
Jack Daniel's	Old No. 7 Black Label, 40%ABV, \$9.50 Mr.Daniel's promises that 'Every day we make it, we'll make it the best we can.' Gentlemen Jack's, 40%ABV, \$11 Did you know, Jack's actual name is Jasper? Jasper Newton 'Jack' Daniels?
Jim Beam	 White Label, 37% ABV, \$9.50 Originated in the 1780's by Jacob Beam, Beam Bourbon is the product of six generations of distillers. * Small Batch, 40% ABV, \$15 * Single Barrel, 47.5% ABV, \$18 Gold - San Francisco World Spirit Awards 2013
Knob Creek	 * Small Batch, 50%ABV, \$15 Double Gold Medal – SWSC 2017 * 9yo Single Barrel Reserve, 120 proof, 60%ABV, \$15 94 points – www.maltadvocate.com
Maker's Mark	Bourbon, 40%ABV, \$9.50 46, 47%ABV, \$15 Frankly, magnificent. I think I've met my Maker's. 47% (94 proof) – Jim Murray



BOURBON & WHISKEY

Michter's	10yo Straight Bourbon (black label), 46.4%ABV, \$19 US*1 American (dark blue label), 41.7%ABV, \$19 US*1 Single Barrel Straight Rye, 42.4%ABV, \$19
Pikesville	Straight Rye, 55% ABV, \$21 "…one of the aromas of the year… after that nose, the delivery just had to be majestic" – Jim Murray, 97.5 points / Double Gold – SWSC 2015
Rollins	Tennessee Whiskey, 47%ABV, \$8
Russell's Reserve	10yo Small Batch, 45%ABV, \$12
Stagg Jr	Barrel Proof, 65.1%ABV, \$69
W. L. Weller	* Special Reserve Bourbon, 45%ABV, \$21 * 12yo Wheated, 45%ABV, \$39 * Full Proof Bourbon, 57%ABV, \$49
Widow Jane	10yo New York Bourbon, 45.5% ABV, \$33 * Bourbon using whiskeys from Kentucky, Tennessee and Indiana assembled in Brooklyn
Wild Turkey	Straight Bourbon 81 proof, 40.5%ABV, \$9 101 Proof 8yo Bourbon, 50.5%ABV, \$11 Rare Breed Barrel Proof, 58.4%ABV, \$16 <i>Gold – SWSC 2017, Silver – SWSC 2020.</i>
Woodford Reserve	Reserve Bourbon, 40%ABV, \$11 Double Oaked, 43.2%ABV, \$14
Yellow Rose	Outlaw, 46%ABV, \$14

BOURBON PROOF

Proof is the measure of the alcohol content – halve it and you get a more familar %, so '80 Proof' is the same as ' 40%ABV'.





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Technically prounounced 'Eye-la', but 'Eye-lay' is fine Islay is one of many small islands off Scotland's west coast but it certainly stands out from the crowd. Just 25 miles in length, its rocky bays and sheltered inlets house eight active distilleries.

It is perhaps only fair then that industrious Islay has long been crowned Scotland's 'whisky island'.

Most of Islay's original distilleries – some once lost to history but now in the process of being re-opened – started as farm distilleries, retreating to secluded glens and caves when excise duty was first introduced on whisky in the 17th century. In actual fact, the exciseman didn't dare set foot on Islay for over 150 years because of the fearsome reputation of the islanders, who were regarded at the time as wild and barbaric.

According to legend, monks first brought the art of whisky distilling to the island from Ireland – which on a good day you can see from Islay's south west coast. On arrival, they found it to be more than suitable for the purpose of distilling *aqua vitae* – the water of life – thanks to its abundance of peat, fresh spring water and barley grown by local crofters.

The former is perhaps the element that most dramatically distinguishes Islay's unique single malts from the rest of Scotland's whisky producing regions. Burned in kilns to dry the malted barley used in the distillation process, the island's peat has been formed over millions of years, rich in decaying mosses, heather and lichens and very different in composition to mainland peat.

Frequently lashed by Atlantic storms, salty spray blown over the island for centuries has penetrated the deep layers of peat and seeped into the warehouses of maturing casks, ultimately affecting the taste and aroma of the dormant Scotch whisky. The resulting malts are pungent, powerful and characterful. Typically, Islay single malts are renowned for their smokiness on the nose and palate with faint notes of sea air and seaweed.



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With just three working distilleries, Campbeltown is the smallest whisky-producing region in Scotland. While some have argued that this doesn't warrant the area being designated a whisky region, the characteristics of the town's single malts are incomparable to others around the country and have earned a loyal following of whisky enthusiasts.

In its heyday, the small Kintyre harbour town of Campbeltown was a prolific whisky producer with more than 30 legal distilleries, once earning it the moniker of 'whisky capital of the world' before later being conferred on Dufftown in Speyside.

With ample pasture and many local farms growing barley, coupled with nearby peat bogs and coal mines, Campbeltown distillers had all the resources they needed to produce fine Scotch whisky at their fingertips. It is little surprising then that the town became such a whisky boomtown in the 1800s. The key to its success however was its bustling port, with the arrival of ships from around the world en route to and from Glasgow – the 'second city of the Empire'. A victim of its own popularity, the demand for the region's whisky was so great that distilleries couldn't keep up and ultimately the quality of its malt whisky dramatically began to fall. Campbeltown fell into further decline when rival whisky region Speyside was connected to the newly-built railways in the north of Scotland, allowing superior quality spirit to reach the market more quickly.

Nowadays, the three distilleries that remain in Campbeltown produce whisky with a curious mix of characteristics quite unlike anything in Scotland. Although local sources are depleted, peat from Tomintoul in the Highlands ensures the single malts retain their historic smoky palate. The proximity of the distilleries to the rolling sea mists from the Mull of Kintyre has ultimately ensured that maritime influences are very prominent in Campbeltown's dry single malts, both with a whiff of the sea on the nose and a salt, briny flavour on the palate.

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Speyside is home to some of Scotland's most beautiful scenery and lush landscapes, as well as roughly half of all the Scottish whisky distilleries. The region is located in the magical Highlands, east of Inverness, and reaches from the glittering Moray coastline down towards the majestic Cairngorms National Park.

The region takes its name from the sparkling River Spey, which runs through the area, and you'll find the majority of its distilleries in the beautiful glens surrounding this bubbling water source.

The area's rich supply of pure water and beautiful inland setting help to produce smooth and complex whiskies that provide an elegant contrast to the salty and heavily peated whiskies that are produced by distilleries in other regions. Speyside whiskies are characterised by sweet and fruity notes, ranging from ripe pears to sultanas. Hints of nuts and malt are common, while some whiskies also possess a refined smokiness.

With so many distilleries packed into a relatively small area, in Speyside you're never far from a distillery or two. From small scale producers who handcraft whisky using traditional methods to some of the most famous distilleries in the world, Speyside is the perfect place to learn all you need to know about the art of whisky creation.

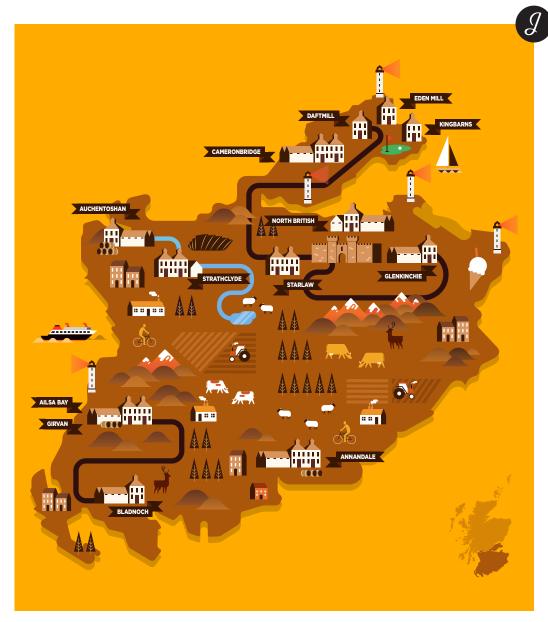


Stretching from Orkney in the north to the Isle of Arran in the south and Aberdeenshire to the Outer Hebrides east to west, the Highland region is by far the biggest whisky region in Scotland in geographical terms. As it is so expansive, it is not easy to come up with a rule of thumb to categorise its whiskies. Broadly speaking, they are robust, full-bodied single malts while also embracing individual characteristics depending on the distillery and its location. Some are peaty or smoky, some powerful but other Highland malts, like those produced at Dalwhinnie, are surprisingly delicate.

Running through the volcanic mountain rock of the Highlands, the water used in whisky production here is some of the purest in Scotland. Couple that with everchanging heather-clad landscapes and the variable weather that rolls over rugged northern Scotland and you have the basis for hardy single malt whisky which reflects the environment it is forged in. If we contrast the compass points, distilleries in the northern Highlands generally produce whisky with full-bodied, sweet malts with cereal notes while in the south, whiskies tend to be lighter, fruity and dry. Similarly, single malts produced in Aberdeenshire in the east are full-bodied, dry and fruity compared to the western Highlands which are peated with some strong maritime influences.

The distilleries on the islands, although officially not recognised as a sub-region, differ again. Highland Park on Orkney, for instance is completely different to most mainland Highland malts because of the 4,000 year-old heathery peat it uses to dry its malted barley, giving it a sweet smokiness on the palate. Whisky from the Isle of Jura on the other hand is more oily and briny with gentle peat.

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With miles of rolling farmland and neat woodlands, the Lowlands is one of the most charming and accessible whisky regions in Scotland. Encompassing the great cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow, as well as the historic Kingdom of Fife, the Lowlands reaches from the invisible Highland/Lowland divide, down to the Scottish Borders and Dumfries & Galloway, and out west to Ayrshire & Arran.

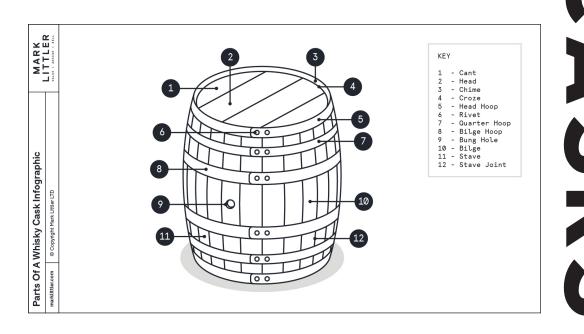
Boasting a mild climate and flat farmland, the Lowlands is an ideal region for growing barley, and, consequently, for producing whisky. The region is famous for producing light, traditionally unpeated whiskies that are renowned for their sweet, grassy notes and gentle style, earning them the affectionate nickname the 'Lowland Ladies'.

Although many of the Lowlands' historic distilleries went into decline in the 18th and 19th centuries following the rise in the popularity of blended whisky, which favoured more robust

single malts, a few long-established single malt distilleries still remain open today and continue to produce classic Lowland malts that are hugely popular for their fresh flavours and gentle style.

In recent years, several brand-new distilleries have opened their doors too, and the Lowlands are also home to five of the country's seven high-volume grain distilleries, which, although they aren't open to the public, continue to produce the grain whiskies that are used in some of the world's most famous whisky blends.





CASK INFLUENCE

Up to 80% of a whiskie's flavour can emanate from the wood, and the type of liquid that may have rested in there before, and the bigger the cask, the longer the liquid inside to mature.

American oak – Soft, sweet taste with notes of vanilla and caramel. European oak (from northern Spain and Portugal) – spicier and has a stronger wood input.

French oak, used to age wine and cognac. Vanilla, pepper and subtle spices.

Wonderful anomolies appear, such as Kinahans whose Kask Project was aged in barrels created from several different wood types, and Swedens' Mackmyra who use tiny 30 litre barrels to allow for rapid experimantation and deep, rich flavours.

.Machmyra, Moment Prestige, 46.1%ABV Ex-champagne French oak from artisinal producer Philipponnat casks

Machmyra, Moment Fjällmark, 42% ABV Swedish cloudberry wine, Oloroso and Pedro Ximénez casks

CASK SIZES

Barrel, 180–200 litres

The most common-sized barrel, and also known as an American Standard Barrel (ASB), made from American oak.

Hogshead, 225–250 litres

Taking apart ex-bourbon barrels (above) and making a larger cask. One of the most popular barrel types in Scotch whisky industry as it allows a larger volume to be aged in their warehouses.

Barrique, 250–300 litres

Mainly created from French oak, and wudely used in wine and cognac.

Sherry Butt, 475–500 litres

American oak, and sometimes European oak. Most common for ageing sherry.

Port Pipe, 550–650 litres European oak used to age port wine.

Madeira Drum, 600–650 litres French oak barrels used for Madeira wine.

Rundlett, 90 litres Dutch for 'small cask'. Half a barrel.

Kilderkin, 70 litres Dutch for 'small cask'. Half a barrel.

Quarter Cask, 50 litres Laphroaig Quarter Cask, 48%ABV