

BARREL IMPACTS

The cask maturation of whisky is one of the most influential processes that define the taste of whisky. While the length of time the whisky matures is important, the type of the cask however is crucial. The wood of the cask adds the different complex flavors to the distillery character that is already in the new made spirit. Different casks offer different impacts to the finished flavors.

There are five major factors that influence the spirit and then the whisky in the cask:

What was in the barrel before?

Size of the cask - How much contact with wood will the spirit/whisky have?

Type of wood - Limousine Oak is very dense old oak, American Oak generally younger and wider grained

Level of charring; Wine barrels are usually toasted, whisky barrels can be charred, how much or little impacts!

Reuse of the casks; 1st - 5th refills, lifespan of 25-30 years, each reuse has less flavor impact than previous

TASTING METHOD

1st AROMA / NOSE

* Breathe over your glass with mouth & nose open to allow as much air as possible to reach your olfactory nerves! Swallow the air, and then slowly exhale and let your mind wander while deciding on the flavors you taste.

2nd PALETTE / TASTE

* Take a sip to your mouth, swirl & “chew” the spirit as you coat the inside surfaces of your mouth, again breathe through, swallow and exhale, again decide on tastes, flavors & textures.

3rd DILUTE & RE-TASTE

* Take the straw in your water glass and put your finger over the top, transport the water to your whiskey glass and drop in. The addition of a drop of water is known as “cracking” the spirit. This allows molecular bonds to break, freeing up a new range of aromas & flavors to be tasted and noted!

DEANSTON 18 YEARS 46.3%

The distillery’s cellars maintain a constant temperature and humidity, causing whisky expert Jim Murray to remark that “Deanston is a cathedral to whisky maturation. In fact, with its gloriously vaulted ceiling, you would swear you were in a crypt.”

This one off limited edition bottling presents rich creamy & spicy flavors imparted from the six years spent in Cognac cask.

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GLEN MORAY 40%

PORT CASK

Nose: Creamy vanilla at the fore, joined by jammy redcurrants and blackberry. Toasted oak touches in the background.

Palate: Butterscotch candies, golden barley and a touch of cinnamon. The port cask influence comes through with light notes of raisins and freshly picked red berries.

Finish: Rather long, with honey, vanilla and a dusting of cocoa.

SPEY RIVER WHISKY CO. 40 %

RUM CASK

Delicate on the taste with subtle spice and oak notes enveloped with a mellow, vanilla sweetness.

Aroma - Soft delicate Single Malt with hints of leafy spring blossom overlaid with subtle vanilla oakiness.

Taste - Beautifully mellow with a gentle oaky character. Finish Sweet and Crisp

GLEN MORAY 10 YEAR 40 %

CHARDONNAY CASK

Amazingly, this 10 year old Glen Moray was matured for its entire ageing period in chardonnay casks! Rich and surprisingly sweet and buttery, a fabulous little whisky...

Banana, melon, and butterscotch aromas. A strong delightful hit of toffee, almond, and hazelnut on the palate. Smooth and multifaceted finish. Add a tiny splash of water makes the flavors explode.

GLEN SCOTIA DOUBLE CASK 46%

BOURBON / PX SHERRY CASKS

Nose: Vibrant fruit emerges first (peach flesh and green apple peels), followed by chewy vanilla fudge, a hint of salinity, then oak-y spices char.

Palate: . Powerful, oily and a touch herbaceous with some German brandy character.

Finish: Sherried notes come through more on the finish.

INCHMURRIN 46%

MADEIRA WOOD

Nose: Some juicy malt and stone fruit, lime peel and crushed almond.

Palate: Rounded nutty toffee, sweet wood spice, a hint of pot pourri and citrus.

Finish: Oak and dry barley.

Overall: A nutty, fragrant malt from the Western Highlands.

KAVALAN CONCERTMASTER 43%

This single malt whisky utilises Ruby Port, Tawny Port and Vintage Port casks from Portugal to finish whiskies that were initially matured in American oak. Kavalan Concertmaster was named Best in Class at the 2011 International Wine & Spirit Competition.

Kavalan is unusual as it matures in the cask quicker than most whiskies, due to Taiwan's vastly different climate. Kavalan range has been winning awards left and right, for their single malts and Solist selection, including the World's Best Single Malt Whisky@World Whiskies 2015
