



SPECIAL RELEASES

2023

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THE 2023 COLLECTION

Rare and collectible selection of distillery-first single malts – Scotland inspired by crafts & cultures from around the world



NAD

The Wild Explorador

£120 (70cl) / £38 (20cl)

Finished in a combination of White, Tawny and Ruby Port Casks



14 YO

The Silken Gown

£132 (70cl) / £42 (20cl)

Finished in Chardonnay de Bourgogne French Oak casks



NAD

The Katana's Edge

£250 (70cl)

Finished in a combination of ex Kanosuke Japanese whisky and ex Pinot Noir casks



12 YO

The Ink of Legends

£155 (70cl) / £48 (20cl)

Finished in Don Julio Añejo Tequila casks



27 YO

The Floral Treasure

£340 (70cl)

Matured in refill American & European Oak barrels and butts
One of the oldest bottlings to date



11 YO

The Soul of Calypso

£140 (70cl)

Finished in Caribbean Pot still Rum Casks



12 YO

The Origami Kite

£120 (70cl) / £38 (20cl)

First fill ex-bourbon and refill casks
Roseisle's first ever release to the public!



10 YO

The Jazz Crescendo

£165 (70cl)

Matured exclusively in ex-bourbon American Oak casks

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EACH LIQUID AND CASK FINISH CHOICE INSPIRED BY CRAFT AND CULTURES FROM AROUND THE WORLD



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THE SINGLETON OF GLENDULLAN

THE SILKEN GOWN

Amber threads of silken toffee, rippling with layers of lush golden fruit.

Finished in Chardonnay de Bourgogne French Oak casks

Lavish layers of silken texture ripple in the gentle breeze, catching the vivid light of the stunning French coastline, glowing resplendently. Shimmering gold, kissed by the gentle fig and citrus aromas of the coastal air, the stunning gown possesses an indulgent allure. Luminous and enchanting, it is the masterpiece of a silk atelier.

The Singleton of Glendullan is such a malt, of smooth and sensorial elegance layered to perfection. Our Malt Master curates this craftsmanship with the care of the most famous of French fashion houses, to create a whisky that enraptures with silken, amber character and luscious, bountiful flavour. Finished in rich Chardonnay de Bourgogne French Oak casks, it radiates a rich and magnetic character.

The glass gleams with a first glimpse of its golden bounty. Lavish aromas of buttery oak and juicy golden apples and pears enchant, while rich and rounded layers of texture embrace sweet hints of ripe rich yellow fruit and smooth toffee. Velvet-smooth and silky, this is a whisky of perfect poise, born to enjoy the spotlight.

IN BRIEF...Brightly summery, with sweet and fruity aromas and tastes. The chardonnay cask influence is delightfully subtle.

IN A SENTENCE...A Singleton of perfect poise and balance that is quite delicious and easy to enjoy. The finishing casks have brought a lovely smooth summery brilliance to a balanced dram.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Bright gold with pale green lights. Excellent beading, tiny beads. Slow-running legs

Nose: A mild nose-feel, bright and crisp. The light top notes are green and fruity, suggesting fresh-cut green apple, white grapes and a hint of pear, all combined in a juicy fruit salad and supported after a while by a golden, butter-smooth suggestion of crème anglaise on a puff-pastry base. There's a note of spun honey in the development. A drop of water enhances the freshness and fruitiness.

Body: Medium.

Palate: At natural strength, smooth in feel, with light, velvet-smooth layers of texture and a taste that is toffee-sweet to start, balanced by a splash of golden yellow fruit acidity and light spiciness. Overall, crisp and clear yet also richly rounded. A dash of water rounds and integrates these tastes, bringing out the delightful smooth balance.

Finish: Of medium length, finishing spicy, with a lovely smoothness. A dash of water soothes the spiciness.



Age : 14YO

Finished in Chardonnay de Bourgogne French Oak casks

Strength:

55% ABV

Place of Origin:
Dufftown

Region:
Speyside

MORTLACH

THE KATANA'S EDGE

A malt of stunning impact; a rogue flash of umami cuts through the savoury sweetness.

Finished in a combination of ex-Kanosuke Japanese Whisky and ex-Pinot Noir Casks

A moonlit glint of sleek steel flashes, a stunning presence in the sweet calmness of the night. Swiftly the katana, a sword crafted with complexity and precision, pierces the depths of darkness, revealing the bold mysteries of the midnight hour. Wielded with astonishing skill, it shines as a symbol of elegance and craftsmanship.

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Mortlach is famed for its sweet yet savoury taste, defiantly rare among Speyside malts. Moved by this contrasting spark of umami, our Malt Master drew inspiration from the flavours of Japan, and finished part of this stunning expression in ex-Kanosuke Japanese Whisky casks. To add balance to the sweetness, ex-pinot noir casks were used to finish the remaining part of the whisky, in a combination of the utmost precision.

A striking golden gleam introduces sweet, alluring aromas of ripe melon and pear. On the palate, drily spiced savoury flavours cut through a scintillating sweetness. These contrasting notes entwine, to create a brilliant umami-rich depth of taste that lingers in the long, enticing and spicy finish. The result is a sweet-savoury intensity as deep and complex as the mark of the mighty katana

IN BRIEF... Surprisingly fruity and spicy for Mortlach, yet still full-bodied, rounded and rich in taste, with wild umami note cutting through the savoury sweetness

IN A SENTENCE... Vigorous, vibrant and vital, the subtle influence of the finely balanced finishing casks helps show a side of Mortlach never before encountered that is deeply fruity and richly rewarding.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Deep gold, with good beading and slow running, thick legs.

Nose: Mild and fresh overall, with fruity top notes of ripe melon and pear that suggest boiled sweets dusted with icing sugar, then fruit pastilles and jellies. Savoury hints of leather and spice underpin the fruit. A drop of water dries the effect yet retains the overall fruitiness while introducing notes of almond and pencil shavings.

Body: Medium to full.

Palate: : Rich, thick and smoothly mouth-filling in texture, with a deep, fruity and rich taste that is at once sweet and gently savoury. Lively throughout, it has an appealing dry spiciness. A dash of water softens it and brings up the sweet fruity note, which is now richer still.

Finish: Long, dry, spicy and warm of heart, with a lingering sweet-savoury intensity and a fruity aftertaste that is lightly mouth-cooling. More savoury character emerges if a drop of water is added.



Finished in a combination of ex Kanosuke Japanese Whisky & ex-pinot noir casks
Strength:
58% ABV

Place of Origin:
Dufftown
Region:
Speyside

LAGAVULIN

THE INK OF LEGENDS

Thick whispers of rich smoke, etched with bright herbs and juicy plums, for an indelible finish.

Finished in Don Julio Añejo tequila casks.

Thick wisps of aromatic herbal smoke honour the ancient art of tattooing, clouds that slowly disperse in whispers of stories. The sweet scent of ripe plums lingers, as smoky black ink etches an outline of illustrious past generations ascending to legendary heights. Each work of art is a map of historic victories, imprinted on a living canvas.

Inspired by the spirit of intensity and pride that shines through a Lagavulin history more than 200 years long, our Malt Master explores the famed symbols of the ancient Mesoamerican art of tattoo, rich in story and significance. The whisky, finished in Don Julio Añejo tequila casks, pulses with herbal flavours ancient and modern, engraving an indelible story.

Amid fierce glints of gold, fresh notes of sea air, citrus and ripened berries mingle with intense herbal smoke in an enchanted swirl of heady aromas, while the creamy-smooth and robust texture plays perfect canvas to a rich palette of swirling flavours. Sweet with juicy plums and a hint of saltiness, then ever more herbal and smokier, the flavours deep-etch their impression for a lip-tingling whisky of legends.

IN BRIEF...A vigorous example of the make, focusing on robust, elemental flavours. Lovers of smoky whisky will adore it.

IN A SENTENCE...To a Lagavulin at its most vigorous, delicious to drink and full of distillery character, the tequila finishing casks have brought indelible layers of bright, herbal smoke and dark plum fruit.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Bright pale sunlight. Good beading and legs

Nose: The immediate aromas are slightly more medicinal than smoky, showing hints of carbolic soap and soothing rub that soon mingle with aromatic wood smoke from a driftwood bonfire on the beach. As the intense, herbal smoke takes over, a savoury note drifts through it, suggesting barbecued pork. A drop of water reduces the intensity yet adds more maritime and darkly fruity notes, making the smokiness yet more aromatic.

Body: Medium.

Palate: At natural strength, the robust texture is creamy-smooth and mouth-filling, while with its ever-richer swirling flavours the taste is sweet at first and citrus-like, adds a good sprinkling of salt, then reveals notes of juicy plum in an increasingly smoky and lip-tingling finale. With a dash of water, it's a little sweeter and smokier still

Finish: Long, with a salty tang and finishing very smoky, with just a hint of that light meatiness in a smoky aftertaste that is both lingering and mouth-cooling. It is drying, with a lovely warm-heartedness.



Age : 12YO

Finished in Don Julio Añejo tequila casks

Strength:
56.4% ABV

Place of Origin: Port Ellen

Region: Islay

TALISKER

THE WILD EXPLORADOR

A golden-sweet glow sears through a current of smoke, with a splash of sea salt in its wake.

Finished in a combination of Ruby, White and Tawny Port casks.

A surge of warmth rises through the current, radiating a sweet, charred undertone. The crash of sea-salt spray against the ship's bow relights the fire of exploration in determined sailors. Against an unforgiving sea the caravel, an iconic Portuguese sea vessel, forges on, braving harsh elements to reach the farthest corners of the earth.

Exploring the harmony between grace and power, our Malt Master pays homage to the Portuguese origins of these great seafarer's ships, by finishing this supreme maritime whisky in a combination of Ruby, White and Tawny port casks. Reigniting our own passion for exploration, this unusual combination of casks brings uncanny balance to a tumultuous Talisker.

Rich bright gold lights the fires of desire, while clear maritime notes of sea air carry hints of oyster shell, salt and sand dune on a spicy and peaty base. Surging through them come rich, sweet hints of white grape, dark fruit and dry tannin. In the mouth these characters merge as one creamy-smooth richly fruity taste, with waves of saltiness, smoke and spice crashing through the intense finish.

IN BRIEF...Introduced by sweet, fruity top notes in the aroma and on the palate, the flavour profile of this vigorous Talisker still emphasises the classic characteristics in every respect; saltiness, smokiness, and spiciness

IN A SENTENCE...A full-on Talisker with rich, robust flavours that has gained rounded, fruity notes from subtle finishing, which embrace but do not tame the classic Talisker character.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Rich, bright gold. Moderate beading, thick legs.

Nose: Mellow and drying, with a touch of spice once it settles down. The top notes are of sticky malt loaf with sultanas and dates as dried fruits lead the way, soon fading to become more maritime, with clean sea air, sea salt and sand dunes. Surging through this come mineral notes of chalk and a light, winey hint of macerated grape skins. At first, just a suggestion of peat smoke runs underneath, although the aroma becomes much smokier when water is added.

Body: Medium to full.

Palate: A creamy-smooth mouthfeel introduces a powerful taste with lightly sweet notes and hints of rich fruit. This soon becomes very salty, then intensely peppery and gunpowder smoky. The taste is almost as powerful with a good dash of water, which accentuates the saltiness.

Finish: Long, finishing spicy with the trademark Talisker catch of chilli pepper, which tends toward mouth-cooling Szechuan pepper.



Finished in a combination of Ruby, White and Tawny Port casks.

Strength:
59.7% ABV

Place of Origin:
Carbost

Region: Isle of Sky

GLENKINCHIE

THE FLORAL TREASURE

A magnificent floral bouquet blossoms, rich and bright as a delicate masterpiece.

Matured in refill American & European Oak barrels and butts

Delicate brush strokes record every detail of the blossom, heather and orchard fruit that fell on these bountiful lands during the reign of a great dynasty, creating a vibrant bouquet. A treasured enamelled masterpiece, delicately crafted by expert hands, the porcelain vase is a poetic embodiment of the empire's rich floral abundance.

Reflecting on its fine and delicate nature, our Malt Master drew inspiration from the exquisite porcelain of China's great dynasties to create the oldest-ever Glenkinchie bottling direct from the distillery. Just as it took countless manhours to create the precious vases of the great emperors, this rare whisky has been slowly matured for twenty-seven years to achieve an imperiously refined expression of its lush, floral flavours.

A hint of fruit as the nose opens conjures an image of the apple orchard, soon joined by light touches of almond and vanilla, before lush meadow-grass aromas develop the floral theme. Smooth and pleasing in texture, the opulent and rounded taste starts lightly sweet and becomes elegantly drying, with a vibrant oaky spiciness that persists in the dry finish.

IN BRIEF...An exceptional expression with lush floral aromas and sweet flavour notes that are as fresh and pleasant as a spring morning.

IN A SENTENCE...One of the oldest Glenkinchie releases ever bottled, with clear features remarkably little marked by age, wears a coat of rich spiciness while its grassy heart still beats within.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Deep gold, with good beading.

Nose: A mellow and surprisingly direct nose, with light floral grassiness. As it opens, an immediate citrus note of fresh orange juice edges towards apple juice, soon joined by suggestions of flaked almonds and light vanilla. More meadow-grass aromas develop the floral theme. The vanilla note increases slightly with a drop of water, nestling among sweet meadow scents.

Body: Medium.

Palate: Smoothly pleasing in texture and airy to taste; at first lightly sweet, then developing a citrus acidity. Fruitier then, with a delightfully unexpected rich and round style, while becoming lightly drying, with a vibrant oaky spiciness. Appetising and easy to enjoy straight and with water, which softens the spiciness and brings back the initial sweetness.

Finish: Of medium length and rich in character, finishing dry and spicy. A dash of water controls the spiciness nicely.



Age : 27YO

Matured in refill American & European Oak barrels and butts

One of the oldest-ever bottlings to date

Strength:

58.3% ABV

Place of Origin:
Tranent

Region: Lowland

CLYNELISH THE JAZZ CRESCENDO

Alluring dulcet tones reach a crescendo with notes of vanilla spice and smooth caramel.

Matured exclusively in first-fill bourbon American Oak casks

The alluring rhythmic beat of a sweetly honeyed bass anchors a richly composed melody. Gradually, from this sea of smooth harmonies, there comes a call to transcend scales. A solo breaks free, its golden, shimmering tones rising to sublime heights in a haunting, captivating hymn to jazz.

The honeyed flavours and smooth, waxy textures of Clynelish play the sweetest of melodies. Along with the mesmerising solo wildcat on the bottle, they inspired our Malt Master to create a whisky to express all the sweet and soulful richness of classic American jazz.

Exclusively aged in ex-bourbon American Oak, this expression sings with notes of rich caramel and vanilla spice. Mellow aromas on the nose begin a mineral and maritime theme, then become sweeter and rounder, their golden melody anchored by an earthy bass note. Smooth and sure, the vanilla-sweet, rich and powerful taste is soon shaped by a hint of saltiness and a soaring peppery solo that reaches its smooth crescendo in the long, spicy finish

IN BRIEF...A charming, well-resolved Clynelish with attractive aromas that is vibrant in taste and makes a delicious dram.

IN A SENTENCE...A richly composed, subtle example of Clynelish, elegantly imbued with rich caramel sweetness and vanilla spice while retaining excellent distillery character. Very pleasant to drink, it brings to mind a summer moorland.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Clear gold. Good beading, slow running legs.

Nose: A mellow, crisp nose with quite some impact. The top notes are very faintly waxy but are mainly mineral and maritime, suggesting soft sea breezes, slaked lime and salt crystals; the mid-notes become sweeter, hinting at dusty heather pollen, while the base is lightly woody and earthy, the earth faintly scorched. Late on, the aromas become rounder, with a toffee-sweet suggestion of vanilla fudge. A drop of water softens the impression.

Body: Medium to full.

Palate: Very smooth and as expected, waxy in texture, the robust taste sweet with toffee notes then lightly salty, and soon cradled by a growing peppery warmth. A dash of water integrates these elements beautifully.

Finish: Long, smoothly dry and spicy with a trace of dried coconut in the aftertaste. A dash of water evens things out while keeping the length.



Age : 10YO

Matured exclusively in first-fill bourbon American Oak casks

Strength:

57.5% ABV

Place of Origin: Brora

Region: Coastal Highland

ROSEISLE THE ORIGAMI KITE

Dark molasses smoothly sails as sticky stewed fruits and vanilla cream emerge for a soaring expression

First fill ex-bourbon and refill casks

The horizon dissolves into a rich palette of deep burgundy and shades of dark plum. Against this swirling backdrop of stunning colours, an elegant kite twists and turns on its magical way. Built on centuries of a craft that pairs wonder and simplicity, these immaculate folds of delicate paper ride the wind towards the clouds. Paper, wood, string, and a touch of alchemy sends the kite maker's creation soaring.

At Roseisle distillery, whisky making is a masterful merging of simple elements to create a stunning single malt that soars with profound flavours. Notes of Sweet vanilla smoothly sail through this lofty expression, from which rise deep, luscious flavour notes of rich, sticky stewed fruits.

Mellow, with some prickle, the aroma is lush. Rich in promise, with light hints of vanilla, yet also complex and tightly integrated. The sweet vanilla aroma increases; beneath lie notes of ripe fruit and white chocolate. Smoothly creamy in texture, the taste is rich and sweet, with rising notes of fruit and spiciness that bring a balancing warm complexity to lift the taste toward the rich, long finish.

IN BRIEF...The first-ever release of this medium-bodied malt comes from carefully chosen casks in which a wide variety of aromas and flavours are well integrated into an enjoyably understated whole, which adds up to more than the already considerable sum of the parts.

IN A SENTENCE...A fine baptism for a smoothly assured new malt that, in the style of this first-ever release, as in location, cleverly inhabits a country between the rich grassy, fruity bounty of central Speyside and the nutty-spicy notes of the highlands.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Clear harvest gold.

Nose: On the mellow nose, the overall impression is 'lush', which is to say rich in promise, with the light sweetness of vanilla, a touch of molasses and some cereal, yet also complex and well-integrated, with fruity and nutty notes to explore. The top notes suggest a light vanilla sponge with butter icing; this aroma increases in the development; hints of ripe peach and white chocolate lie beneath. All of these notes are subtle and reserved.

Body: Medium.

Palate: Smoothly creamy in texture and sweet to taste, with vanilla icing, before a spicier complexity brings balancing richness. There are more notes of vanilla mid-palate, soaring above a deep fruitiness, and the sweetness lasts throughout. Very appealing to drink, both straight and with a dash of water, which softens and sweetens it.

Finish: Long, finishing richly sweet and lightly spicy, with a touch of white pepper. A dash of water enhances the sweetness.



Age : 12YO

First fill ex-bourbon and refill casks

Roseisle's first ever release to the public!

Strength:
56.5% ABV

Place of Origin:
Elgin

Region: Speyside

OBAN

THE SOUL OF CALYPSO

A vibrant cacophony of flavours pulsing with hints of tropical fruit and whispers of exotic sea air.

Finished in Caribbean Pot Still rum casks

Vivid energy and a vibrant mix of Caribbean cultures collide in a roar of jubilation, amid a euphoric atmosphere. Bright colours burst forth to the parading beat of steel drums. Celebrating the passionate soul of the Caribbean, spinning Soca dancers lift their faces to the tropical sun, exuberant and radiant in the exotic sea air.

Inspired by the merging of rhythms in the beating heart of calypso, our Malt Master finished this lively Oban expression in Caribbean Pot Still rum casks. The vibrant combination evokes unexpected tropical notes of sugar cane and mango, which build on Oban's own clever fusion of the Highland and Island styles.

A glint of gold announces the summer sun while the fresh aroma of a sea breeze, backed by notes of citrus and enhanced by hints of tropical fruit and a dry spiciness, quickly brings the carnival closer. On the palate, an oil-smooth texture is accompanied by a joyously sweet, richly fruity and lightly salty taste that dances across the tongue, finishing with an insistently spicy beat.

IN BRIEF... Like an eager student, rich in promise, guided toward a new perspective on the chosen subject by a thoughtful tutor.

IN A SENTENCE... A bright, lively Oban, retaining the fusion of highland and island styles that defines the distillery character yet skillfully blending in the vivid passions and colours of a rum cask finish.

IN FULL...

Appearance: Bright, pale sunlight.

Nose: A mild and keen nose overall, rich in distillery character. The top notes are clear and faintly maritime, suggesting a sea breeze, seaweed, warm dunes, and a hint of iodine; they are backed by a lemon citrus note and enhanced by sweet-spirited tropical traces of sugar cane and mango learned from the rum finishing casks.

Body: Medium.

Palate: An exceptionally smooth mouthfeel introduces a fruity and citrus sweet, lightly salty taste, again true to the distillery character, balanced here by an insistent yet never overpowering spiciness. A dash of water rounds softens and sweetens, bringing up the oil-smooth citrus character.

Finish: Quite short, finishing spicy and smoothly mouth-cooling. A light, lingering, sweet aftertaste becomes more profound and longer if water is added.



Age : 11YO

Finished in
Caribbean Pot
Still rum casks

Strength:
58% ABV

**Place of
Origin:** Oban

Region:
Coastal
Highland



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