



Outturn

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EMBRACE THE EXTRAORDINARY

Get ready for an intriguing sensory adventure; challenge your taste buds as we celebrate the extraordinary with this exceptional selection of new single casks.



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HOW TO USE OUTTURN

out-turn n. **1** The number of Society bottles produced from a single cask. Varies from cask to cask. A finite number that will, sooner or later, run out. **2** The name given to Society bottling lists, containing Tasting Notes for each recently released Society bottling of which only a limited number are ever available (see above).

Each Society bottling is unique. And each can be identified by its markings. The tasting notes give you an insight into the characteristics of each whisky, and are the best place to start.

You may find yourself drawn to a “Cowboy’s delight” or have a preference for “Big and tingly.” Maybe your instincts lead you to a dram that’s “Like a hug from your Mom” or perhaps to “BBQ smoke by a rolling sea.”

These curious descriptors are your best clue to what you’ll find within each bottle, and are at the heart of The Society’s raison d’être.

With The Society’s monthly selection of single cask malts it’s not surprising that some members find it hard to focus on their perfect bottlings. Thankfully it’s not cheating to ask for help. Just call Kensington Wine Market in Calgary at 403-283-8000 (email: scotchguy@kensingtonwinemarket.com) or Keg n Cork in Edmonton at 780-461-0191 (email: dave@kegncork.com) or email us at curious@smws.ca for advice of an expert nature.

PLEASE ENJOY OUR PRODUCTS RESPONSIBLY

ARE YOU ACQUAINTED WITH OUR FLAVOUR PROFILES?

Exploration is the greatest joy of Society membership, roaming the broad vistas of flavour and aroma represented in our single cask whiskies. But exploration without a map can be frustrating.

So we have created 12 distinct flavour categories, each represented by its own colour, from Young & Spritely to Old & Dignified; Light & Delicate to Heavily Peated. These 12 categories offer an alternative to the more traditional method of categorizing whiskies by their region of origin (Islay, Speyside, etc).

Our flavour map gives whisky lovers a far better way to navigate our vast and ever-changing selection of single cask bottlings, many of which are not typical of their region.

YOUNG & SPRITELY

SWEET, FRUITY & MELLOW

SWEET & SPICY

SPICY & DRY

DEEP, RICH & DRIED FRUITS

OLD & DIGNIFIED

LIGHT & DELICATE

JUICY, OAK & VANILLA

OILY & COASTAL

LIGHTLY PEATED

PEATED

HEAVILY PEATED

SWEET, FRUITY & MELLOW

A WALK IN THE PARK

CASK NO. 63.46

\$143.99



REGION	Speyside
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CASK TYPE	Refill Barrel
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AGE	10 Years
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DATE	6 December 2007
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OUTTURN	206 Bottles
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ABV	59.4%
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The nose starts off wonderfully sweet – nutty nougat, coconut confectionery and caramel apple granny cake – a complete enticement. The palate is a ‘sit up and pay attention’ experience – Soor Plooms (a sharp flavoured, round hard candy from southern Scotland), stewed apples and SweetTarts candies entertain and linger in the mouth.

The reduced nose is like being in the municipal park – flower gardens and football pitches – the goal-posts are freshly painted and the teams are being served oranges at half time. The palate is now full and satisfying – and exceedingly tasty – Liquorice Allsorts and Peshwari naan (sweet, buttery, coconut) – a real treat for the taste buds.

JUICY, OAK & VANILLA

ANGELS' TEARS

CASK NO. 7.203

\$174.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>2nd Fill Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>15 Years</i>
DATE	<i>4 June 2002</i>
OUTTURN	<i>203 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>56.5%</i>

At the start, the nose delivers orange fondant, orange coconut ice, apricot Danish and roasted peaches – gradually a floral note emerges – maybe a flower vase on a watchmaker’s workbench. The palate has a delightful soft, viscous texture and flavours of golden syrup, sweet coconut cream and pink wafers – so warming it’s almost salty – like angels’ tears.

With water the nose finds chocolate tea cakes and sweetie tobacco (sugar coated chocolate flavoured coconut strips). The palate is pure expanding joy – filling the mouth with warm spice and sweetness – spiced plum crumble, cinnamon gum, hot cross buns– a nippy tease tantalizes the finish.

OLD & DIGNIFIED

WOODED BY HONEYED WORDS

CASK NO. 37.105

\$564.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>2nd Fill Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>30 Years</i>
DATE	<i>26 May 1987</i>
OUTTURN	<i>180 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>57.2%</i>

A sweet-talking, charmer of a dram that exuded sticky jelly sweets rolled in hazelnuts and nutmeg. Sugar laden intonations extended into orange and lime marmalade with apricots in syrup and a substantial wedge of sticky toffee pudding. Layered delicately over the sweetness came floral notes of pot pourri and Turkish delight that harmonized with a weighty spice that travelled in the form of cardamom pods and spiced eggplant relish.

Herbal hues characterized thick and viscous cough syrup that imparted onto the palate a glorious texture that combined most elegantly with a peppery tingle. Runny honey oozed over tinned fruit cocktail and parma violets before assuming a nutty stance that echoed earthy connotations. The finish concluded in a sweet and woody fashion, leaving behind reverberations of dried herbs.

SWEET, FRUITY & MELLOW

ELEGANCE OF PERFECTION

CASK NO. 12.10

\$143.99



First release from distillery
no. 12 for SMWS Canada

REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>1st Fill Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>8 Years</i>
DATE	<i>29 September 2009</i>
OUTTURN	<i>196 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>61.1%</i>

A real sense of autumn on the nose neat with plenty of nuts (almonds, hazelnuts), acorns, rich damp earth, winter fruit chutney as well as rhubarb, cinnamon and custard tarts. Initially on the palate neat intense warm toasted oak spices, followed by orange-clove pomander balls, treacle sponge pudding and dark rich honey with a hint of smoky coffee.

A subtle savoury note of smoked venison appeared when adding water next to caramelized coconut chips and homemade crunchy nutty granola. Silky smooth to taste, chilled berries (raspberries, strawberries and blueberries) with a white hot chocolate sauce – elegance of perfection!

SINGLE CASK SPIRIT

MORELLO CHERRY DELIGHT

CASK NO. R12.1

\$173.99



REGION	Belize
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CASK TYPE	Refill Barrel
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AGE	10 Years
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DATE	1 June 2007
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OUTTURN	258 Bottles
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ABV	66.2%
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The indulgent thick, sweet, fruity aroma of hot Morello cherries soaked in Kirsch over a gooey moist banana-marzipan loaf cake made us want to dive straight into this rum. Mouth-coating! Mouth-filling! A good balance between the sweet fruity liqueur-like flavours combined with the spiciness and bitterness of a black tea with cloves, ginger and cardamom.

With a drop of water an even sweeter, but not cloying, scent of sugar dipped marshmallows and honey-fried figs appeared. A prune juice cake with almonds and chocolate chips on the palate and a slightly dry herbal finish rounded it off perfectly.

LIGHTLY PEATED

SUMMER SEASIDE PICNIC

CASK NO. 93.93

\$209.99



REGION	<i>Campbeltown</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>Refill Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>16 Years</i>
DATE	<i>16 February 2001</i>
OUTTURN	<i>267 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>55.8%</i>

Clean and fresh aromas of sea air on a summer's day with seaweed and tarry ropes. A robust herbal honey, hot smoked salmon and sweet soy sauce. Quite approachable at full strength – charred wood in honey, sweet porridge, vanilla and barbecued sausages.

Water reveals pineapple cube sweets, gingerbread and an exotic fruit salad with background notes of oily rags, biscuit and comforting coastal aromas. The palate is well balanced - sweet, gently smoky, black pepper then menthol, minerals and tangy charred wood with a pleasing finish.

PEATED

THE CHIMNEY IN A BEEHIVE

CASK NO. 10.119

\$132.99



REGION	<i>Islay</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>Refill Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>9 Years</i>
DATE	<i>10 December 2007</i>
OUTTURN	<i>242 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>59.3%</i>

Like cleaning out the chimney in a beehive the nose combined the syrupy nectar of runny honey with dusty clouds of black soot from the sweet smoke of burning apple wood. The draw up the chimney enticed a maritime draught into the room, filling the air with a salty breeze, seaweed and the distinctly nautical nose of fishing trawlers laden with crates of crustaceans.

The palate exhibited further sugary temptation as toffee apples combined with fruit sherbet sweets and smoky bacon drizzled with maple syrup. Lip-smacking and devilishly delicious, the layers of flavour continued to unravel, revealing scallops with sweet vinaigrette, smoked fish soup and the clean mineralic edge of Chablis or dry German Riesling.



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