



Outturn

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**FIREWORK FLAVOURS
FOR NEW YEAR**

Dare to be different this new year and
embrace a bold new explosion into flavour.

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HOW TO USE OUTTURN

out-turn n. **1** The number of Society bottles produced from a 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 flavour profiles give you an insight into what you might expect from each whisky (or other spirit), and are the best place to start.

You may find yourself drawn to “Sweet, Fruity & Mellow” or have a preference for “Juicy, Oak & Vanilla.” Maybe your instincts lead you to a dram that’s “Oily & Coastal” or perhaps to “Peated.”

These descriptors are your best clue to what you’ll find within each bottle, and are expanded upon in greater detail in the Society’s fun and quirky tasting notes.

With a varied selection of whiskies (and other spirits) coming every month, 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 at 403-283-8000 (email: scotchguy@kensingtonwinemarket.com) in Calgary or Keg n Cork at 780-461-0191 in Edmonton (email: ordering@kegncork.com) or email us at curious@smws.ca for advice of an expert nature.

ENJOY OUR PRODUCTS RESPONSIBLY - NO DRINKING AND DRIVING

GET 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 bottlings, many of which are not typical of their region.

YOUNG & SPRITELY

SWEET, FRUITY & MELLOW

SPICY & SWEET

SPICY & DRY

DEEP, RICH & DRIED FRUITS

OLD & DIGNIFIED

LIGHT & DELICATE

JUICY, OAK & VANILLA

OILY & COASTAL

LIGHTLY PEATED

PEATED

HEAVILY PEATED

JUICY, OAK & VANILLA

AN EXHILERATING ESCAPADE

CASK NO. 108.35

\$171.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>1st Fill Ex-Bourbon Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>14 Years</i>
DATE	<i>2 February 2007</i>
OUTTURN	<i>148 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>57.6%</i>

The nose neat started with a malty and herbal note as well as blackcurrant leaves and bramble bushes before we all opened a pack of sun-dried raisins and Haribo Tangfastics. This was followed by a surprisingly creamy, sweet lime chili coconut custard poured over a Granny Smith apple pie on the palate.

Water added warming aromas of rhubarb butter crumble, toasted hazelnuts and vanilla cinnamon candied almonds while the taste now had plenty of juicy red apple slices dusted in cinnamon and a rhubarb compote with mango, vanilla ice cream and nutmeg. In the long finish we found Vietnamese grilled lemongrass chicken – all pretty unusual but that’s what made this an exhilarating escapade.

SWEET, FRUITY & MELLOW

MOTION CAPTURE FRUIT TREE

CASK NO. 7.258

\$211.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>1st Fill Ex-Bourbon Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>17 Years</i>
DATE	<i>17 November 2003</i>
OUTTURN	<i>197 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>56.1%</i>

The initial nose veritably brimmed with fruits. Tutti frutti, Juicy Fruit chewing gum, citronella wax, melon cordial, mirabelle eau de vie and green fruit jams. Also deeper hints of burlap, lamp oil and waxed canvas. Totally enthralling. With water we got earthy dunnage warehouse, scone mix, madeira loaf, olive oil cake, honeycomb and orange blossom. Some hints of lime curd and sweet cherry beers.

The palate was nicely drying to begin and showed elegant notes of rosewater, jasmine, heather flowers, sugar syrup mixed with olive oil, butter biscuit, herbal infusions and yellow flowers. Water brought out a beautiful natural sweetness, ripe yellow fruits, apricot jam, peach puree, ripe cantaloupe melon, green apple acidity and herbal cough sweets.

SPICY & SWEET

A COUPLE OF CLASSIC ICONS

CASK NO. 31.31

\$274.99



REGION	<i>Island</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>Refill Ex-Bourbon Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>26 Years</i>
DATE	<i>19 April 1989</i>
OUTTURN	<i>234 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>55.8%</i>

Oven roasted potato chips with malt vinegar, flamed grilled crisps and chutney next to toffee waffles and dark Jamaican gingerbread made this a real talking point on the nose neat. Big and spicy on the palate; Bloody Mary with Worcester sauce, Tabasco, salt and pepper and garnished with a celery stalk, smoked almonds on the side.

Diluted the celery was now thinly sliced, add chopped apples, red grapes, slightly toasted walnuts served on a bed of fresh lettuce and we had a Waldorf salad. The taste was now sweet and refreshing like ice cold sugar cane juice with a dash of lime.

DEEP, RICH & DRIED FRUITS

A DARK ABYSS OF BLISS

CASK NO. 107.22

\$139.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
INITIAL CASK	<i>Ex-Oloroso Butt</i>
FINAL CASK	<i>2nd Fill Toasted Oak Butt</i>
AGE	<i>9 Years</i>
DATE	<i>4 April 2011</i>
OUTTURN	<i>585 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>66.1%</i>

Rich and toasty aromas of teacakes and toffee combined with cinnamon, nutmeg and star anise in a heavy fruitcake topped with molasses and dates. The palate was equally as sumptuous with oozing dark treacle, Manuka honey and brittle toffee over prunes, raisins and coffee beans in dark navy rum.

With water came a wave of bitter orange marmalade, black forest gateau and slightly charred hot cross buns full of sweet spice. The palate continued with burnt orange peel, chocolate malt and cocoa powder but now with coconut flakes, tobacco and liquorice stick. After spending 5 years in an oloroso butt this was transferred to a second fill toasted oak butt for the remainder of its maturation.

LIGHTLY PEATED

EXOTIC MISO- GLAZED OCTOPUS

CASK NO. 3.318

\$296.99



REGION	<i>Islay</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>2nd Fill Ex-Bourbon Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>16 Years</i>
DATE	<i>6 February 2004</i>
OUTTURN	<i>195 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>57.1%</i>

The sweetness of the initially smoky aroma was incredible – a potpourri of heather, lavender, roses and violets. This was followed by scorched juicy raisins and the scent of crushed pink and white seashells. When we tried it, just like ‘Hazy Sunset’ – a cocktail made from smoked ice, pineapple and lime juice, light rum and two dashes of Angostura bitters garnished with a fresh cherry and mint sprig.

With a small amount of water, we made duck breast a l’orange with sweet oven roasted new potatoes, while on the palate we went Japanese enjoying sticky miso and lime-glazed octopus with crispy matcha tempura batter. Bottled for the 2021 Islay Whisky Festival.

PEATED

PREPARATION FOR SKINNY DIPPING

CASK NO. 53.270

\$161.99



REGION	<i>Islay</i>
INITIAL CASK	<i>Ex-Bourbon Hogshead</i>
FINAL CASK	<i>2nd Fill HTMC Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>7 Years</i>
DATE	<i>12 October 2010</i>
OUTTURN	<i>296 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>60.9%</i>

The nose has nutty smoke (roasted chestnuts, toasted coconut), burning leaves, coal embers, tarry ropes, creosoted fence posts and roast parsnips. The intense palate leaves impressions of swirling smoke and burning coal in the mouth; liquorice imp, sage, singed orange peel, brandy snaps, rock pools, coal tar and char; the finish links dry sauna wood and dark chocolate containing sea salt and caramel pieces.

The reduced nose is a road worker's wheelbarrow full of beach pebbles. The palate – totally satisfying, lip-smacking and galvanising – one to prepare you for battle or going skinny dipping! Transferred from an ex-bourbon hogshead after 6 years to a heavy toast medium char hogshead.

PEATED

BREAKFAST BUFFET AT A BONFIRE

CASK NO. 108.40

\$144.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>2nd Fill Ex-Bourbon Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>11 Years</i>
DATE	<i>5 November 2009</i>
OUTTURN	<i>101 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>63.4%</i>

Lovely measured sweet peat smoke was followed by marshmallows roasting on an open fire and, yes, a maple bacon latte using smoky bacon flavoured maple syrup! Plenty of peat on the palate, coal embers with a splash of antiseptic wound cleanser as well as burnt Scotch pancakes with strawberry compote and cinnamon.

After the addition of water, smoky saltwater toffees, smoked custard, and popcorn. The taste now well balanced sweet, savoury and smoky; scrummy salted caramel flapjacks, pancakes with smoked salmon and crème fraiche and in the finish grilled mackerel on toast served with a zingy lemon and caper dressing.

JANUARY - THE *GIVING SPIRIT* PROGRAM

One year ago, in the face of challenging times, we introduced our “Giving Spirit” program: each quarter, SMWS Canada will donate to charity 100% of its profit from the sales of a designated bottle.

Over the course of 2021, we’ve been able to donate a total of \$5608.81 to four worthy charities (Big Brothers Big Sisters of Canada, Canadian Cancer Society, Indspire, and Veterans Transition Network) through the sales of 85.64 (“Baked Bananas and Burnt Bacon”), 68.41 (“Hill-walking Happiness”), 16.43 (“Oddly Satisfying”) and 39.207 (“Backseat Brewer”). If you bought any or all of those bottles—THANK YOU!

We’re kicking off 2022’s program with a focus on mental health. Our designated charity bottle is 107.22 “Dark Abyss of Bliss” and our profits from the sales of it will go to the Canadian Mental Health Association. There’s no doubt the last couple of years have taken a toll, in some form or another, on most of us and it’s important that we battle against the stigma of asking for help.

So here’s to a healthy and happy 2022! We hope you’ll continue to support the Giving Spirit program by buying a great bottle of whisky and supporting a great cause—that’s something to raise a glass to!



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