



# Outturn

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## Welcome to the November 2018 Outturn

It's time for coziness, comfort and conviviality: share in the spirit of the season by cuddling up with our heart-warming selection of new single casks.

**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).

## How to use Outturn

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 at 403-283-8000 (email: [scotchguy@kensingtonwinemarket.com](mailto:scotchguy@kensingtonwinemarket.com)) in Calgary or Keg n Cork at 780-461-0191 (email: [dave@kegncork.com](mailto:dave@kegncork.com)) in Edmonton or email us at [curious@smws.ca](mailto:curious@smws.ca) for advice of an expert nature.

## 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

### GENTLE AND SOPHISTICATED

**CASK NO. 9.142**

**\$249.99**



|           |                         |
|-----------|-------------------------|
| REGION    | <i>Speyside</i>         |
| CASK TYPE | <i>Refill Barrel</i>    |
| AGE       | <i>24 Years</i>         |
| DATE      | <i>16 November 1992</i> |
| OUTTURN   | <i>150 Bottles</i>      |
| ABV       | <i>49.2%</i>            |

A delicate, sweet, fruity and floral earthy aroma filled the air when we poured this sample. Descriptions of a bed of roses, cherry blossom orchard, herb garden and the sandy clay floor inside a sherry bodega made us all very much look forward to having a sip.

A gentle vanilla buttercream and lemon curd beginning became a teasing, lively, pleasant spicy tingle of fresh fruit (peaches and apricots) with fromage blanc and a spiced honey sauce. Add a drop of water, if you wish, and even more mellow on the nose as well as on the palate; violet and rose creams accompanied by a glass of demi-sec Champagne.

## SWEET & SPICY

## THE MERCHANT OF ALSACE

**CASK NO. 96.16**

**\$145.99**



|           |                        |
|-----------|------------------------|
| REGION    | <i>Speyside</i>        |
| CASK TYPE | <i>2nd Fill Barrel</i> |
| AGE       | <i>11 Years</i>        |
| DATE      | <i>2 June 2006</i>     |
| OUTTURN   | <i>198 Bottles</i>     |
| ABV       | <i>55.2%</i>           |

This distillery is more commonly known for sherry maturation these days so the panel was both eager and curious to try this example from refill bourbon maturation. We found a vibrant nose full of mille-feuille, vanilla foam, sliced pineapple, black cherries in brandy, fresh pastries and an eventual slide towards mineralic, gravelly qualities.

Water brought notes of rosehips, Turkish delight, marjoram, lime curd and pink lemonade. The palate revealed notes like crushed Ivy, jelly beans, lavender icing, lychee, young Gewurztraminer and turmeric. Water softens everything and opens up herbal ice cream, tamarind, green oak, toasted mustard seeds and ripe apricot.

## SWEET & SPICY

### SWEET SNUGGLE

**CASK NO. 7.177**

**\$149.99**



|           |                         |
|-----------|-------------------------|
| REGION    | <i>Speyside</i>         |
| CASK TYPE | <i>Refill Barrel</i>    |
| AGE       | <i>13 Years</i>         |
| DATE      | <i>11 February 2004</i> |
| OUTTURN   | <i>183 Bottles</i>      |
| ABV       | <i>58.1%</i>            |

There was an array of aromas on the nose neat. We smelled dusty rosewood antique furniture, expensive waxed leather shoes and a floral designer fragrance. The taste neat had plenty of spice to start followed by the sweet heat of sticky toffee pudding and thick cut marmalade on hot buttered toast.

Diluted, the soft scent of cinnamon swirls, pecan Danish and freshly brewed Earl Grey tea all served on an antique finished rosewood tray made us all feel very comfortable and cozy. On the palate now so smooth like a banana cream pie with a gingersnap cookie crust.

## YOUNG & SPRITELY

### WASABI MARZIPAN

**CASK NO. 54.62**

**\$145.99**



|           |                        |
|-----------|------------------------|
| REGION    | <i>Speyside</i>        |
| CASK TYPE | <i>2nd Fill Barrel</i> |
| AGE       | <i>9 Years</i>         |
| DATE      | <i>8 May 2008</i>      |
| OUTTURN   | <i>204 Bottles</i>     |
| ABV       | <i>61.2%</i>           |

The nose employed a spicy kick from cinnamon, nutmeg and mace to introduce green apples and grapes packed into wooden crates made of freshly sawn wood stacked on a damp earth floor. Moving through pine forests we discovered sweeter aromas of marzipan and strawberry laces with the thick texture of walnut oil.

The palate was crisp and vibrant with a kick of fresh ginger and wasabi that became sweet like digestive biscuits and buttered malt loaf. A cooling wave washed through the mouth like candied mint leaves before turning dry on the finish with the introduction of quinine and powdered spice on a wooden chopping board.

## SINGLE CASK SPIRIT

**ABSOLUTELY  
FABULOUS!**  
**CASK NO. R11.2**  
**\$157.99**



|           |                      |
|-----------|----------------------|
| REGION    | <i>Jamaica</i>       |
| CASK TYPE | <i>Refill Barrel</i> |
| AGE       | <i>7 Years</i>       |
| DATE      | <i>1 May 2019</i>    |
| OUTTURN   | <i>309 Bottles</i>   |
| ABV       | <i>57.5%</i>         |

The nose neat offered plenty of sweetness; passion fruit soufflé in a brandy snap basket, mixed berries sorbet with vanilla shortbread cookies and rum crème caramel.

However there were also slightly oily, maybe pickled olives or even petrol, aromas lurking in the background – but absolutely “no problem man!”

On the palate this rum has plenty of spice; ginger pasta with curried sweet potatoes or wasabi-crusted chicken breasts dipped in a teriyaki sauce while in the finish a lingering salted dark chocolate and orange mousse. With water definitely a little petrol garage forecourt or a gas fired barbecue but the spice was now balanced with plenty of the sweet goodness we got on the nose neat – absolutely fabulous!



JUICY, OAK & VANILLA

**BURNT TOAST  
IN A BOOKSHOP**

**CASK NO. 66.115**

**\$149.99**



|           |                        |
|-----------|------------------------|
| REGION    | <i>Highland</i>        |
| CASK TYPE | <i>Refill Hogshead</i> |
| AGE       | <i>11 Years</i>        |
| DATE      | <i>6 March 2006</i>    |
| OUTTURN   | <i>287 Bottles</i>     |
| ABV       | <i>59.2%</i>           |

The nose conveyed the welcoming appeal of walking into an old bookshop, abundant in curiosity and linseed oil ingrained deep into well-used wooden shelves. Soft leather-bound books mingled with a light peppery tingle before turning over to floral features and clementine commentaries with the soothing scent of citrus oil.

The palate was an extended volume that expanded into burnt butter, smoked cream and the singed skin of an orange. Toasted crumpets and granola breakfast cereal combined with sticky toffee to create a chewy and pleasing mouth feel. Water turned a page to release sweeter icing sugar and jelly sweets with a soft finish that brought our attention back to the bookshelves.

## PEATED

### WINTER WARMER

**CASK NO. 42.44**

**\$154.99**



|        |                        |
|--------|------------------------|
| REGION | <i>Highland Island</i> |
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|           |                        |
|-----------|------------------------|
| CASK TYPE | <i>Refill Hogshead</i> |
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| AGE | <i>9 Years</i> |
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|      |                         |
|------|-------------------------|
| DATE | <i>21 February 2008</i> |
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|---------|--------------------|
| OUTTURN | <i>232 Bottles</i> |
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| ABV | <i>58.5%</i> |
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The nose evokes a beach bonfire barbecue on shell sand – maple-cured bacon and Portobello mushrooms sizzling away; someone is smoking Sobrani cigarettes and there are creamy custard tarts for after. The palate is pretty straightforward – balancing simple sugary barley sweetness with mineral, shale-like smoke; it has a slightly oily mouth-feel.

Water shifts the nose to coal tar soap and creamy, nutty smoke. The palate is now much sweeter and better balanced – imagine smoked bonbons; a touch of citrus starts to come through – lemon, clove and Fisherman's Friends on the finish. A dram for inner warmth before chopping logs in the snow.



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