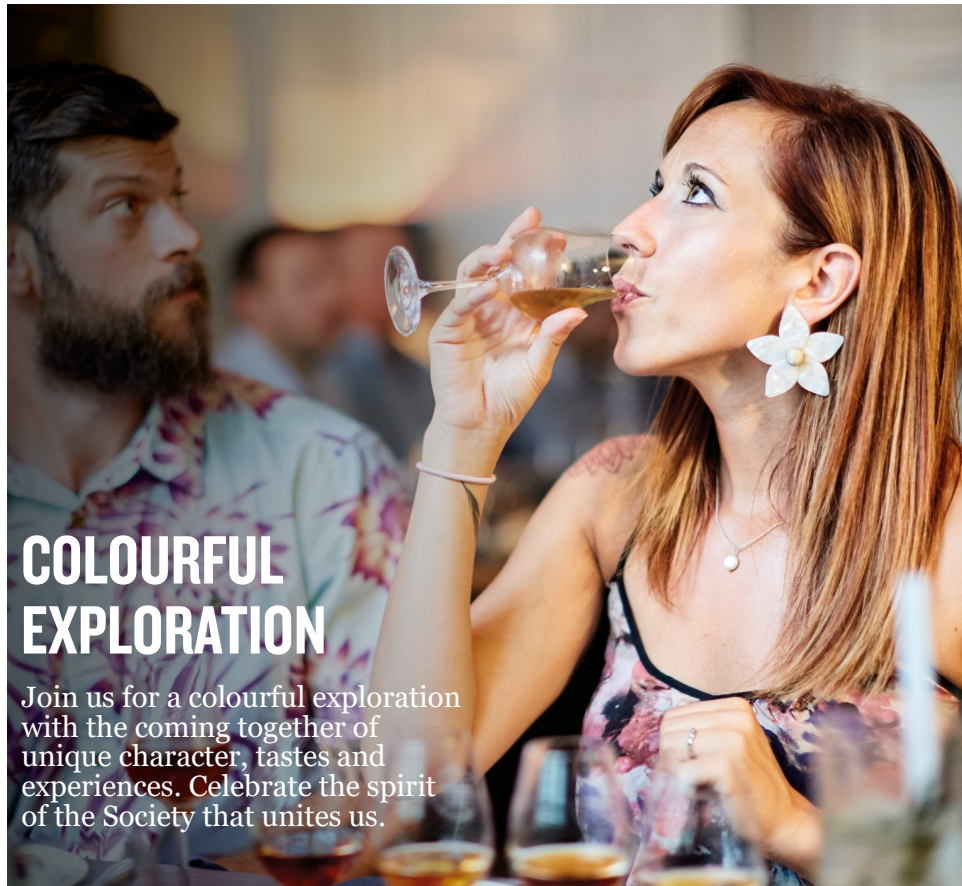




Outturn

September 2019

Issue 95



COLOURFUL EXPLORATION

Join us for a colourful exploration with the coming together of unique character, tastes and experiences. Celebrate the spirit of the Society that unites us.

SMWS.CA



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

YOUNG & SPRITELY

A BIG TROPICAL ADVENTURE

CASK NO. 39.167

\$134.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>1st Fill Barrel</i>
AGE	<i>8 Years</i>
DATE	<i>14 December 2009</i>
OUTTURN	<i>241 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>56.5%</i>

Layers of exotic fruit became entangled in a jungle of sweet fragrance as we chopped our way through the perfumed wilderness. Pink rose and jasmine exposed a path that led us to lychee and papaya dressed with a squeeze of fresh lime juice. Ripe banana and pear progressed to pineapple and freshly peeled satsuma, before being coated by sweet pastry to form apple tarts.

The palate carried a chewy mouthfeel like strawberry sweets and Turkish Delight that dipped into hot and juicy realms. A green freshness transpired like apple skin mixed with cardamom pods and sweetened to ripe orange. Grapefruit and green wood encased the finish with the mouth-numbing feel of cloves.

SPICY & DRY

**INTRIGUING?
CAPTIVATING?
FASCINATING!**

CASK NO. 135.5

\$188.99



REGION	Highland
CASK TYPE	2nd Fill Barrel
AGE	17 Years
DATE	28 July 2000
OUTTURN	259 Bottles
ABV	56%

A warm, sweet, earthy aroma of quality potting soil using peat, bark and recycled mushroom compost was soon joined by the scent of a brand new Mackintosh raincoat and sweet gooseberry pickle – intriguing? It certainly intrigued us! To taste, like spicy savoury basmati rice with cloves, cinnamon, cardamom and curry powder as well as peas, sweetcorn and sliced almonds – captivating?

When we added water we were brewing a Chinese chrysanthemum flower-based infused tea and drinking cactus juice liqueur (tequila, triple sec and herbs) as well as kummel (liqueur flavoured with caraway seed, cumin and fennel) - fascinating!

SWEET & SPICY

A LILTING EXPERIENCE

CASK NO. 2.112

\$182.99



REGION	Speyside
--------	----------

CASK TYPE	Refill Barrel
-----------	---------------

AGE	11 Years
-----	----------

DATE	29 September 2006
------	-------------------

OUTTURN	194 Bottles
---------	-------------

ABV	60.2%
-----	-------

On the nose neat we were lilting with “the totally tropical taste” of pineapple, grapefruit, mango and peach next to demerara sugar and mangosteens. On the palate neat we remained in South East Asia with Phat Thai - stir fried rice noodles with shrimps in garlic red chili pepper, palm sugar and lime, commonly served as street food in Thailand.

Diluted we were served banana ice cream with a warm plum compote and a sprinkling of chia seeds whilst to taste like a mixed fruit and spice cake using glazed apricots and peaches alongside dates and raisins soaked in pineapple juice and cream sherry.

JUICY, OAK & VANILLA

ROYAL FRUITCAKE

CASK NO. 37.117

\$185.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>1st Fill PX Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>15 Years</i>
DATE	<i>1 October 2002</i>
OUTTURN	<i>255 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>55.6%</i>

A rich concoction of dried fruits lay before us as dates mixed with sultanas and prunes soaked in Armagnac. Floral tones floated above like a bowl of potpourri with a fresh edge that leaned towards spearmint. Sweet malty aromas brought a milky edge that carried earthy elements as we discovered rhubarb crumble with custard. The palate echoed the luxuriant temperament as dried apricots, figs and orange came wrapped in milk chocolate and with a sprinkling of black pepper and spice.

Flowering heather reintroduced a floral layer that delivered a woodland scene resplendent in fresh fern. The character remained soft and juicy until the end with flavours that lingered long after the final sip. After spending 13 years in an ex-bourbon hogshead this was transferred to a 1st fill Pedro Ximenez hogshead for the remainder of its maturation.

DEEP, RICH & DRIED FRUITS

RUSTIC FARMHOUSE KITCHEN

CASK NO. 46.70

\$216.99



REGION	<i>Speyside</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>1st Fill Madeira Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>17 Years</i>
DATE	<i>27 September 2000</i>
OUTTURN	<i>235 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>56.2%</i>

A variety of sauces came to mind nosing neat: cranberry with port & star anise, fresh yogurt mint and even a gravy using the juices from roast meat. Rich, sweet and substantial like rosemary braised red cabbage with smoked herb sausages which were accompanied by root mash and wine braised shallots.

With water we collected apples in a vintage harvest sack made of canvas leather and then made them into an old fashioned apple and ginger chutney which we enjoyed with toasted brioche. After 15 years in an ex-bourbon hogshead we transferred this whisky into a 1st fill Madeira hogshead.

OILY & COASTAL

WISH YOU WERE HERE

CASK NO. 10.161

\$183.99



REGION	<i>Islay</i>
CASK TYPE	<i>Refill Hogshead</i>
AGE	<i>10 Years</i>
DATE	<i>3 October 2007</i>
OUTTURN	<i>244 Bottles</i>
ABV	<i>61.1%</i>

We felt transported to ‘singing sands’ on the west coast of Scotland and as we walked along the beach with the familiar sound to every step we made; the salty sea air gently blowing into our faces, we spot the occasional seal popping his head curiously out of the water - it was goodbye to cares.

A little lively on the tongue - imagine frolicking otters having plenty of fun. Diluted we spot an old abandoned boat amongst the kelp stems washed ashore and on the palate now very different – herbal, oily and salty but at the same time as sweet as those long summer days in Scotland.

PEATED

HIGHLY A-MUSING

CASK NO. 122.23

\$143.99



REGION	Highland
CASK TYPE	2nd Fill Hogshead
AGE	7 Years
DATE	11 February 2011
OUTTURN	301 Bottles
ABV	57.7%

The first nose had the sweet smokiness of honey-cured bacon and curried smoked salmon cubes, followed by liquorice and the light medicinal smell of muscle rub. On the palate a ferocious attack of sweet perfumed smoke but, taking into account the age, all fairly well balanced and quite satisfying in a mysterious way.

With water, like a salt and oil body scrub enriched with Dead Sea minerals, sweet almond oil and a snuffed out perfumed candle. To taste, a very sweet start before charcoal grilled spiced pork herb sausages arrived and a lengthy slightly bitter finish.



SHARE THE LOVE!

There's nothing like sharing a good whisky with a good friend, so with this in mind we have our Recommend-a-Friend program.

For every new member who signs up on your recommendation or for every gift membership you buy for that like-minded friend (up to a maximum of six referrals/gift memberships per membership year), you'll receive \$20.00 off the cost of your \$125.00 renewal fee.

Visit www.smws.ca for more information.

Discoveries
TASTE BETTER
.....WHEN.....
SHARED



WHERE TO BUY

The exclusive retail stores of The Society in Canada:

KENSINGTON WINE MARKET

1257 Kensington Road NW, Calgary, AB

Phone: 403-283-8000 (1-888-283-9004)

Email: scotchguy@kensingtonwinemarket.com

www.kensingtonwinemarket.com

KEG N CORK LIQUOR COMPANY

3845 - 99th Street, Edmonton, AB

Phone: 780-461-0191

Email: dave@kegncork.com

www.kegncork.com

THE STRATH ALE, WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS

919 Douglas Street, Victoria, BC

Phone: 250-370-9463

Email: whisky@strathliquor.com

www.strathconahotel.com

LEGACY LIQUOR STORE

1633 Manitoba Street, Vancouver, BC

Phone: 604-331-7900

Email: Darryl@legacyliquorstore.com

www.legacyliquorstore.com