

# WHISKY DESCRIPTIONS

**...From the Highlands** - Stretching from Orkney in the north to the Isle of Arran in the south and Aberdeenshire to the Outer Hebrides east to west, the Highland region is the biggest geographical whisky area in Scotland.

## Talisker 10yrs:

**Nose** - Smokey with just a hint of the sea-water salt of fresh oysters, with a citrus sweetness.

**Palate** - A dried-fruit sweetness, clouds of smoke, strong barley-malt flavours, warming and intense. Peppery at the back of the mouth.

**Finish** - Huge, long, warming and peppery in the finish with an appetising sweetness.

## Highland Park 12yrs:

**Nose** - Fresh, aromatic with Floral notes. Notes of creamy Manuka honey and a touch of juicy citrus with cream.

**Palate** - Rather full with a pleasant depth. Notes of granary toast and green tea with jasmine. touch of sweetness.

**Finish** - Quite long with peppery spice and wood shavings.

## Glenmorangie 10yrs:

**Nose** - Very fruity and thick. Rich notes of lemon, nectarine and apple. Spices

**Palate** - Fresh and balanced, vanilla. Boiled sweets, very creamy, tiramisu, toffee.

**Finish** - Quite long, gentle, malty and very fruity.

## Oban:

**Nose** - Rich sweetness & fruits - oranges, lemons & pears, with sea-salt and peaty smokiness.

**Palate** - Autumn fruits, dried figs & honey-sweet spices; followed by a smoky malty dryness.

**Finish** - Long, smooth-sweet finish with oak-wood taste with dryness and a grain of salt.

## Dalwhinnie:

**Nose** - Crisp, dry and very aromatic nose with hints of heather and peat.

**Palate** - Smooth, soft and lasting flavours of heather-honey sweetness and vanilla followed by deeper citrus-fruit flavours and hints of malted bread.

**Finish** - Long, lingering, surprisingly intense finish that starts sweetly, then gives way to smoke, peat and malt.

## Jura 10yrs:

**Nose** - Honeyed barley and peaches in syrup, with light wafts of fragrant wood smoke.

**Palate** - Oily and subtly spicy at first. earthy vanilla pod and chocolate raisins develop.

**Finish** - Fruity dark chocolate fades to reveal apple and a touch of liquorice.

**...From the Islay** - Islay, off Scotland's west coast, is just 25 miles long. Its rocky bays and sheltered inlets house eight active distilleries and has long been crowned Scotland's 'whisky land'

### **Laphroaig 10yrs:**

**Nose** - Really smoky peat notes and iodine rich. There are spices, and liquorice, as well as a big dose of salt

**Palate** - Seaweed-led, with a hint of vanilla ice cream, The oak is big, and muscles its way into the fore as you hold this whisky over your tongue.

**Finish** - Big and drying, as the savoury, tarry notes build up with an iodine complexity

### **Ardbeg 10yrs:**

**Nose** - A ridge of vanilla leads to mountain of peat capped with citrus fruits and circled by clouds of sea spray.

**Palate** - Sweet vanilla counterbalanced with lemon and lime followed by that surging Ardbeg smoke that we all know and love.

**Finish** - Long and glorious; sea salted caramel and beach bonfire smoke.

### **Lagavulin 16yrs:**

**Nose** - One of the smokiest noses from Islay. Concentrated, and redolent of iodine, sweet spices, mature Sherry and creamy vanilla.

**Palate** - Very thick and rich. A mouthful of malt and Sherry with good fruity sweetness. Big, powerful peat and oak.

**Finish** - Long, spicy finish, figs, dates, peat smoke, vanilla.

**...From the Speyside** - Speyside is home to some of Scotland's most beautiful scenery and lush landscapes, as well as roughly half of the country's distilleries. It is located in the magical Highlands, east of Inverness, and reaches from the glittering Moray coastline down towards the Cairngorms National Park.

### **Macallan Gold- Double Cask:**

**Nose** - A lemon citrus nose, the orange peel and an interlacing sweetness that softens but doesn't eliminate the zest. A quiet note of vanilla is followed by dark chocolate with a lingering floral and light oak notes.

**Palate** - Citrus and boiled sweets rule the palate, along with hints of ginger and cinnamon, while soft oak tones reveal toasted apples.

**Finish** - The finish is medium sweet, malty and slightly dry.