

# IINCOGNITO

TOASTED OAK & VANILLA

BATCH NO. 4I

Wow, a one-off custom distillation at distillery 156/G16 you say?! We took a bit of trans-Atlantic inspiration for this one, using some different grains and creating a mashbill of 58 per cent corn, 21 per cent malted barley and 21 per cent unmalted rye. It was distilled in a pot still, which is unusual for a grain whisky, and then matured in heavily charred 24-month air seasoned new oak barrels from Kelvin Cooperage in the US, with toasted heads added to the casks to create even more flavour.

Confit chestnuts, vanilla essence and honey sponge cake floated on golden clouds across a sunlit stratosphere as banana bread, cinnamon fudge and allspice danced among elderflower constellations and dried fruit orbs. To taste, creamy cognac, chocolate, liquorice and flambéed bananas shimmered alongside strawberry tarts and glacé cherries, while orange peel and brandy cream anointed each sip with divine warmth. Water revealed a galaxy of malted biscuits, toasted fennel, sea buckthorn, and coconut and orange sorbet on the nose, before nutmeg and whipped cream were layered over sweet potato and pumpkin pie. Finally, a parade of pecans, pear drops and almond milk broke through vanilla-laden clouds on their way to heavenly bliss.



REGION	Single grain
CASK TYPE	1st fill #4 char Barrels - With Toasted heads
AGE	9 years
DATE	2 May 2016
OUTTURN	1 of only 1247 bottles
ABV	50%
PRICE*	<del>£58.00</del> £ 45.00*



# BALLOON RIDE TO WICKED DARKNESS

TOASTED OAK & VANILLA

CASK NO. 113.88

The Panel found themselves in a hot air balloon soaring through the warm afternoon air, as fragrant hints of oud, new wood, furniture polish and supple leather rose from the basket that carried them. Far below stretched fields of ripe red fruits, ready for picking. The palate had wickedly enticing notes of black tea, treacle scones, cracked black pepper and the subtle tang of charred lemon wedges, all bound together by a mysterious wisp of darkness. Reduction delivered more wood – this time freshly chopped – plus juicy pineapple chunks, creamy pine nuts and red fruit-flavoured hard-boiled sweeties. We also detected buttery popcorn, crushed peanuts and a delicate touch of perfume. The finish lingered with creamy butter, ruby red tomatoes and a hearty dollop of hot honey.



REGION	Speyside
CASK TYPE	1st fill Bourbon Hogshead
AGE	13 years
DATE	13 July 2012
OUTTURN	1 of only 232 bottles
ABV	56.9%
PRICE	<del>£73.50</del> £ 60.90*

# A SOJOURN IN SEVILLE

DRIED FRUITS & SPCICES

CASK NO. 9.307

A warm street in Seville – orange blossoms falling, butter pastries, café solo and flamenco dancers' leather boots – that's the vibe we got from the nose. The palate was full-bodied, with dry oak and leather, crème brûlée and nutmeg on rice pudding, dried dates, figs, raisins and roasted nuts. The reduced nose gave sugared almonds, orange zest, dark chocolate, rum-soaked raisins and dusty floorboards. On the palate, we discovered runny caramel, polvorones and chocolate, coconut and soft marshmallow snowballs; then a dry, warming finish of cumin, clove and cinnamon. After 13 years in ex-bourbon wood, we moved this into a first fill American oak oloroso hogshead.



REGION	Speyside
INITIAL CASK	Refill Bourbon Hogshead (13 years)
FINAL CASK	1st fill American oak Oloroso Hogshead
AGE	17 years
DATE	31 January 2008
OUTTURN	1 of only 241 bottles
ABV	60.8%
PRICE*	<del>£100.00</del> £ 79.90*



## ALL BECAUSE THE LADY LOVES ...

### RIPE FRUITS & HONEY

#### CASK NO. 18.77

First sniff was like opening an expensive box of milk chocolates – an assortment with caramel, orange, nuts and much more. The palate was a friendly arm wrestle between the intense sweetness of rocky road, maraschino cherries, melon and liquorice allsorts and earthier elements of burnt toast, coffee beans, clove rock, mace, ginger snaps and something slightly medicinal. The reduced nose took us into a greenhouse to take in the wooden floor, fresh potting compost and various floral notes, but we also found toffee popcorn, lemon curd and toasted marshmallows. The palate seemed fresher and more approachable, delivering toffee bonbons, iced caramels, white chocolate mice and poached pear.



REGION	Speyside
CASK TYPE	1st fill Bourbon Hogshead
AGE	14 years
DATE	28 February 2011
OUTTURN	1 of only 271 bottles
ABV	57.6%
PRICE*	<del>£75.00</del> £59.10*

## FIRESIDE COCOA

### DRIED FRUITS & SPCICES

#### CASK NO. 95.110

Cosy and comforting aromas of allspice and nutmeg swirled alongside redcurrants and cranberries in a big pot of maple syrup. Flames flickered around the fire's logs, licking the brioche rolls that were toasting in the heat above. Clutching mugs of hot cocoa, we waited for bananas and pineapple rings to bake in the embers. Fragrant tobacco and leaf mulch emerged after adding water. Now, waves of raspberries rippled through dark chocolate, colliding with sour cherries before coming to rest in a pan of mulled red wine. After spending 16 years in an ex-bourbon hogshead this was transferred to a first fill #4 char hogshead for the remainder of its maturation.



REGION	Speyside
INITIAL CASK	Refill Bourbon Hogshead (16 years)
FINAL CASK	1st fill #4 char Hogshead
AGE	19 years
DATE	16 January 2006
OUTTURN	1 of only 244 bottles
ABV	57.2%
PRICE*	<del>£100.00</del> £79.90*

## LIME AND SEA SALT CHOCOLATE

### COASTAL & MARITIME

#### CASK NO. 149.22

The neat nose started with a quince, rosemary and honey trifle, followed by a pineapple-chamomile iced tea and dried sugar kelp. On the palate we first noticed a thick, oily texture reminding some of us of a salted caramel sauce before we had semi-bitter chocolate with dehydrated pineapple and a touch of guajillo chillies. A drop of water and we found ourselves on the machair on a sunny afternoon, the light sea breeze carrying gentle wisps of coconut, mango and toasted oak. To taste, we sipped a fresh lime-garnished elderflower mojito while eating squares of sea salt chocolate.



REGION	Highland
CASK TYPE	1st fill Sherry hogshead
AGE	12 years
DATE	31 October 2013
OUTTURN	1 of only 321 bottles
ABV	62.8%
PRICE*	<del>£89.00</del> £71.90*

\*Discounted prices are exclusive to members attending the tasting events where these bottles are featured. If a bottle is out of stock at the event but available on our website, members can order it by contacting Member Services after the event.

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