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## WHISKIES OF AUSTRALIA

### Tasting notes and background information

We have a large selection of Australian Whiskies on offer. All served in your choice of glass. Options include large, single, ice cubes, stainless cubes (chills, but won't dilute). Water on the side with dropper. Mixers available (we don't judge!)

## VICTORIA

### **STARWARD – WINE CASK SINGLE MALT 41% - \$13**

Melbourne's New World Whisky distillery founded in 2004 by David Vitale. Originally located in a hangar at Essendon Airport and now relocated to Port Melbourne. 2.5 years solely in ex-first use Barossa Shiraz barrels. Winner – Best Australian Single Malt at The World Whisky Awards

### **STARWARD – SOLERA CASK SINGLE MALT 43% - \$14**

Aromas of pears, bananas and apples. Dried figs, marzipan, pepper and nutmeg also come through on the finish. Runner up in the 2017 World Whisky Awards.

### **BAKERY HILL – CLASSIC SINGLE MALT 46% - \$19**

David Baker – ex industrial chemist and long-time beer home brewer started Bakery Hill (named after Bakery Hill near Ballarat VIC where the Eureka Stockade uprising occurred). Multiple awards and recognition from various whisky writers. Soft, fresh and fruity with vanilla hints along with allspice notes on the finish.

### **BAKERY HILL DOUBLE WOOD SINGLE MALT 46% - \$20**

From American bourbon barrels the into French oak casks – beautiful malt development with great richness- soft and distant smokiness

### **TIMBOON DISTILLERY -PORT EXPRESSION SINGLE MALT 41% - \$20**

Made in a railway shed in Timboon VIC (16 km inland from the 12 Apostles) and has spent 5 years in port barrels. Unfiltered. Hints of sweet honey, followed by nectarines and peaches. Souring plums towards the finish along with citrus laced marzipan.

## TASMANIA

### **NANT - THE HOMESTEAD SINGLE MALT 43% - \$20**

Tasmania's only "Highland" whisky – made in a unique onion head copper still. Candied fruits and hints of nuts and mild spices. Hints of fennel on the finish.

### **LARK "CLASSIC CASK" SINGLE MALT 43% - \$20**

Tasmania's godfather of whisky, Bill Lark made this batch just before retiring to enjoy the good life! Made with Tasmanian barley malted at the Cascade Brewery. Flavours resemble Scottish Speyside or Highland whiskies. Very lightly peated.

### **LARK "SLAINTE" SINGLE MALT LIQUEUR 32.9% - \$14**

Made in the style of Drambuie or Glayva etc – sweet honey and whisky finish with some interesting subtle herbs and spices on the finish.

### **SULLIVAN'S COVE "SINGLE CASK" 47.5% - 26**

Voted as best whisky in the world in 2015 at the San Francisco Whiskey Show – this is extremely hard to find. Showing complex seaspray and nougat notes – the alcohol hardly shows through.

### **SULLIVANS COVE DOUBLE WOOD SINGLE MALT 40% - \$24**

French oak, Australian port to American oak barrels. Gentle palate entry which builds into a crescendo of dried spices, honey and fruitcake. There's toasted, buttered fruit loaf, plums, hints of brandy and Chai Tea. Long, spicy, mouth-filling finish. It fades away on cooked fruit and oak... So much complexity that belies its low alcoholic strength – this is a fabulous whisky.

### **OVEREEM – PORT CASK STRENGTH 60% - \$28**

Deep bright brass / gold colour. On the nose this offers notes of choc-chip cookie, orange marmalade and clove. The palate is even more austere than the aromas suggest delivering a pleasant balance of spicy dried fruits (raisin and date) followed by a firm tannic finish with the spirit showing considerable restraint at cask strength. Well balanced. Excellent persistence with hints of plum, sultana and cocoa surfacing late into the aftertaste

### **BELGROVE DISTILLERY 100% RYE WHISKY 47% - \$23**

Bright gold appearance. Immediately appealing and distinctive with its dill / pickle opening scents. Second pass offers chamomile tea, hints of boiled lolly, cedary oak and peppermint. A light, silky entry follows through to a super smooth and quite delicate profile featuring medium dry flavours of chamomile tea, sour dough bread and unusual notes of dill and caraway. Dry, mildly tannic finish. Aftertaste is subtle but shows good length.

### **HELLYER'S ROAD "ORIGINAL" SINGLE MALT 46.2% - \$16**

Established in 1997 and located in Northern Tasmania. Currently Australia's largest distillery. Notes include lemon and orange with a bit of vanilla. Toasty sourdough finish

### **HELLYER'S ROAD "PINOT FINISH" SINGLE MALT 46.2% - \$16**

Finishes a little sweeter than the Original. Pepper and spice with some burnt blackberry. Some would say a little smoother too.

### **HELLYER'S ROAD "10YO" SINGLE MALT 46.2% - \$18**

Showing more cereal and fruit notes from a longer barrel time. Lavender and honey with an oily sweetness.

## **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

### **THE GROVE AMERICAN "CORN & RYE" 40% - \$11**

In the Bourbon style – this distillery located in Margaret River is producing a stunning selection of both Scottish and American whiskies. This is very smooth

### **THE GROVE AMERICAN "CORN MASH MAPLE" 40% - \$13**

Matured in American White Oak – shows robust corn notes with a sweet brown maple finish

### **THE GROVE AMERICAN "MARGARET RIVER HONEY" 40% - \$13**

Finishes in the sweeter honey style yet still shows classic Bourbon character

### **THE GROVE AMERICAN "DISTILLER'S CUT" 55% - \$20**

Longer maturation and selected "hearts" of the distilling run – then left uncut at cask strength – lovely Bourbon flavours – Arguably the nicest American style whiskey in Australia

### **THE GROVE "PEATED" CASK STRENGTH SINGLE MALT 61.5% - \$23**

Created in the "Islay" style from Scotland – this shows smoky iodine complexity with a very long length.

### **THE GROVE "PEATED" SINGLE MALT 52% - \$19**

A little more subdued than the Cask strength – but still a very big whisky

### **THE GROVE "SHERRY CASK" CASK STRENGTH SINGLE MALT 60% - \$23**

A very fruity but intense whisky finishing with a sweeter edge.

### **THE GROVE "SHERRY CASK" SINGLE MALT 46% - \$16**

Taken from ex bourbon casks then on to finish in Australian sherry casks. Non-chill filtered. This whisky has won multiple awards overseas.

### **TIGER SNAKE SOUR MASH AMERICAN 43% - \$17**

Corn, rye and malted barley. Smooth creamy finish with notes of vanilla, caramel and hazelnuts.

### **LIMEBURNERS PEATED SINGLE MALT 48% - \$26**

Using peat sourced from deep in the south west of WA- spice and floral aromas with intense smoky character. Limeburners produced the first single malt whisky in Western Australia.

### **LIMEBURNERS SHERRY CASK SINGLE MALT 43% - \$20**

Made in a traditional small batch copper pot still. Exhibits spice and fruit with hints of honey, raisins and buttery caramel. Aromas of sherry and vanilla with a smooth finish.

### **WHIPPER SNAPPER "UPSHOT" AUSTRALIAN BLEND 43% - \$16**

This is a blend of corn, wheat and barley and shows character of a mix of Bourbon and Scottish whiskies. Vanilla, dark toffee and nutmeg are the more obvious notes.

### **WHIPPER SNAPPER “CRAZY UNCLE” AGED MOONSHINE 43% - \$14**

Something for the hillbilly in all of us. Made from a corn base and aged quickly for 3 months in old oak to soften the edges a bit.

### **WHIPPER SNAPPER “CRAZY UNCLE” MOONSHINE 40% - \$13**

This was known as “white lightning” back in the day – neutral grain spirit straight from the still - traditionally consumed from a mason's jar – but we're not that hip.

## **NEW SOUTH WALES**

### **ARCHIE ROSE WHITE RYE 40% - \$12**

Distilled from a combination of malted rye and barley. Cinnamon, nutmeg and green apple on the palate – lingering buttery finish with the faintest hint of smoke.

### **DOBSON'S EMPIRE 8 CASK STRENGTH SINGLE MALT 60% - \$17**

Aged in a combination of Shiraz, Madeira and Chardonnay barrels. Notes of bittersweet peel, fruit cake and hints of pepper. Finishes with orange zest and sweet spices. Triple distilled.

### **DOBSON'S “BELLE EPOQUE” CASK STRENGTH SINGLE MALT 60% - \$20**

Deep, copper coin coloured 100% barley whisky offers a huge bouquet of vapoury alcohol, walnut fudge, mandarin peel and dark chocolate. The balance also impresses at high ABV. Initial barley is offset by prolonged bitter-sweetness, gaining ground at the finish with an intense peak of cream tea biscuits, orange peel, pipe tobacco, understated sooty/smoky notes and a warming, burnt orange aftertaste that goes on at length.

## **QUEENSLAND**

### **MOUNT UNCLE “THE BIG BLACK COCK” 5 YO SINGLE MALT 43% - \$14**

Aged 5 years in hybrid American / French oak barrels. Christmas cake and spice with a long vanilla finish. Too many awards both overseas and in Australia- Google is your best friend here!

## **SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

### **TIN SHED DISTILLERY “INIQUITY BATCH 8” SINGLE MALT 46% - \$24**

A very limited release, comprised of 3 x Small Port Barrels with a little Pedro added for a touch of contrast, then married for three months in a larger American Oak Port Barrel. Fruity, herbal with roast meat and lots of rancio, charred wood and faint smoked paprika, then eucalyptus, mint and cedar/pine needles.

### **TWENTY THIRD ST. DISTILLERY “HYBRID WHISKY” 42.3% - \$12**

A blended barley and corn base – something akin to a mix of scotch and bourbon. Rounded malt with a whiff of sherry and toasty oak.