

Kingston Single Malt Society

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A social club for the appreciation of Single Malt Whisky since 1998

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This evening's menu in honour of
St. Patrick's Day

MENU

St. Patrick's Day Welcome & 1st Nosing:

RED SPOT (introduced by: John Creber)

1st course: Colcannon Soup
with Cheddar Potato Bread

2nd Nosing: TAMDHU 15 YEAR OLD
(introduced by: Ken Goodland)

2nd course: Cider Glazed Sausages, Caramelized
Apples & Sage

3rd Nosing: THE SEXTON
(introduced by: Conrad Falkson)

4th Nosing: TAMDHU 18 YEAR OLD
(introduced by: Ken Goodland)

Main Course: Rosemary Roasted Lamb Shanks, Baked
Parmesan Polenta, Brown Butter Mini Turnips

5th Nosing: TAMDHU 24 YEAR OLD
(introduced by: Ken Goodland)

Dessert: Guinness Chocolate Pudding

COST OF THE MALTS

RED SPOT IRISH WHISKEY LCBO 575134 | 700 mL bottle
Price: \$149.95, Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Irish Whiskey
46.0% Alcohol/Vol.

THE SEXTON SINGLE MALT IRISH WHISKEY LCBO 541607 |
750 mL bottle **Price: \$49.50** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Irish
Whiskey 40.0% Alcohol/Vol.

TAMDHU 15 YEAR OLD LCBO 507558 | 750 mL bottle
Price: \$164.95 Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey 46.0% Alcohol/Vol.

FIRST EDITIONS TAMDHU 18 YEAR OLD (Distilled 1999;
Bottled 2018) VINTAGES 506035 | 700 mL bottle, **Price:**
\$161.95 Spirits, Scotch Whisky, 51.5% Alcohol/Vol.

TAMDHU 24 YEAR OLD 1989 - MacKillop's CHOICE Single
Cask - Cask Strength (Cask #4104; Distilled 10 May 1989;
Bottled March 2014; Bottles #007 & #010 of 222) VINTAGES
506035 | 700 mL bottle, **Price: \$260.09** Spirits, Scotch
Whisky, 45.4% Alcohol/Vol.

Upcoming Dinner Dates

April 20th, 2020 - Lowland / Islay
May 8th, 2020 - Springbank/Longrow/Hazelburn Night
May 25th, 2020 - Campbeltown / Speyside
June 22nd, 2020 - BBQ (Final Exam)
July 20th, 2020 - 9th "Matt" / International Night
Friday August 28th 2020 - 13th Annual Premium Night
September 21st, 2020 - Campbeltown / Lowland / Speyside /
Highlands / Islands / Islay
October 19th, 2020 - Speyside / Islands
November 16th, 2020 - Highlands / Islands
December 7th 2020 - Christmas Dinner
January 25th, 2021 - Robbie Burns Dinner
February 22nd, 2021 - Speyside / Highlands / Islay
March 15th, 2021 - Irish / Speyside / Highlands
April 19th, 2021 - Campbeltown / Islands / Islay
May 17th, 2021 - Campbeltown / Speyside
June 28th, 2021 - BBQ (Final Exam)
July 19th, 2021 - 10th "Matt" Night
Friday August 27th 2021 - 14th Annual Premium Night
September 20th, 2021 - Campbeltown / Lowland / Speyside /
Highlands / Islands / Islay
October 18th, 2021 - Speyside / Highlands
November 15th, 2021 - Speyside
December 6th 2021 - Christmas Dinner

FEBRUARY - KSMS Financial Statement

(Money from 41 February attendees @ \$70) = \$2870.00
February dinner 41 persons (\$45.00/ea) = \$1845.00
(Money remaining for buying Single Malt) = \$1025.00
Cost of Single Malts = \$2048.00
Cost of Pours per Person = \$32.00
KSMS Monthly operational balance = (\$-1023.00)
Cost per person (All inclusive) = \$94.95

QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"There is no such thing as a bad whiskey. Some whiskeys just
happen to be better than others."*

WILLIAM FAULKNER

Glenmorangie The Cadboll Estate, Bruichladdich Black Art & More New Whisky

FEBRUARY 7, 2020 - SUSANNAH SKIVER BARTON



We've turned the corner into the second month of 2020, and with that transition come several new whiskies.

First up, [Glenmorangie](#) is launching The Cadboll Estate, a 15 year old single malt made from barley grown on the distillery's land. It will be available in limited amounts for \$85.

[Bruichladdich Distillery](#) on Islay has unveiled its seventh iteration of Black Art. The vintage 1994 whisky is 25 years old, and there are 12,000 bottles available at \$430 each.

Ireland's [Kilbeggan Distillery](#) is debuting its first single pot still whiskey, made with 2.5% oats. The new whiskey is widely available for \$45.

Retired NFL player and actor Terry Bradshaw has partnered with [Silver Screen Bottling Co.](#) to debut his own Kentucky straight bourbon. [Bradshaw bourbon](#) is priced at \$40, currently available online with expanded distribution at retail stores coming soon.

[Conecuh Brands](#), the company behind [Clyde May's Alabama whiskey](#), is reviving McConnell's, a historic Irish whiskey brand. The blended whiskey is priced at \$33 and will be widely available starting in March. Finally, a new whisky from Peru is anticipated to arrive in the U.S. this summer. [Black Andean Corn whiskey](#) is made with corn grown in the Andes, among other grains, and should be priced at around \$70, available in select states. Read on for full details.



Additional reporting by Sam Stone

GLENMORANGIE 15 YEAR OLD

THE CADBOLL ESTATE

Style: Single malt

Origin: Scotland (Highlands)

Age: 15 years

Proof: 43% ABV

Price: \$85

Release: March 2020

Availability: Limited edition

Need to know:

This is Glenmorangie's first single estate whisky, meaning that the barley was grown, distilled, and matured entirely on the distillery's property—in this case on the Cadboll Estate. The whisky matured in first-fill American oak bourbon casks.

Whisky Advocate says:

This limited edition is not part of Glenmorangie's Private Edition series; the [2019 release of Allta](#) was the last whisky in that range. The Cadboll Estate is priced about 15% lower than the Private Edition

releases, and it's likely significantly more aged (though most Private Edition releases were [non-age statement](#), so it's hard to be certain). Glenmorangie raised the age statement on its core Quinta Ruban expression from 12 to 14 years old last year, [without any increase in price](#); I suspect the distillery has an ample stock of well-aged single malt

and a solid plan for keeping pricing competitive even as [tariffs](#) and Brexit are causing a lot of uncertainty in that area. I wouldn't be at all surprised to see more releases along the lines of this 15 year old in the near future.

A New Breed Of Whiskey Distiller

By [Alan Wood](#) / March 5, 2020

As 2019 drew to a close and 2020 loomed on the horizon, the future of distilling has never looked brighter, with Scotland's first rye whisk(ey) being produced near Arbroath and an explosion of Scottish distilleries appearing across the land. What 2020 holds for the Scottish industry is a question on everyone's mind. With Scotch whisky established as a global product, the opening of the Johnny Walker centre in Edinburgh could be seen as 'big whisky' making sure it isn't forgotten. However, you also have distilleries like Raasay, Eden Mill and Arbeiike coming onto the market. Some of these distillers offer private cask ownership schemes and produce gins, vodkas or beer as ways of generating income in the short term while their single malts mature.

Arbiike, for example, focus on promoting Scottish produce and source a wide variety of their ingredients locally. This is a welcome sight for drinkers looking for something unusual. Just as beer drinkers now look at the types of hops and cask used when choosing their beer, whisky drinkers are also looking for unusual cask types, different barley or different maturation and distillation techniques when choosing whiskies.

In the past, the purchase of whole casks tended to be done by wealthy private individuals for their own use. Now, casks are being laid down for family members' 18th or 21st birthdays and are also being bought by consortiums.

Greater transparency in the distillation process is another sign that times are changing. Distillers are actively advertising that their products are non-chill filtered or do not contain the dreaded caramel that has become so common in the industry. In addition to these new distilleries seeking to change the pro forma you also have



the likes of GlenMorangie pushing money into researching and developing wood management for example, a key resource. Looking towards the behemoth that is Macallan nestled deep in Speyside they have created a new distillery unlike any other ever seen, vast rolling hills hiding stills.

These new distillers are also changing the market through better communication with bartenders and members of the public. When new distilleries open, distillers invite people to buy shares in them. One example of this is the shares available in Brewdog's new distillery near Elgin, Lone Wolf. This brings back the concept of distilling as a family business and a part of the community.

As well as building new distilleries, there has been a surge of interest in re-opening so called "ghost distilleries" like Rosebank. When the Holyrood distillery opened this year, single malt whisky was produced in Edinburgh for the first time in almost 100 years. This distillery is not owned by any of the big companies and shows that new distillers are determined to make their mark on the industry.

In addition to distillers appearing in Scotland seeking to change the norm, we have distillers appearing across the world ranging from Kanvalan in Taiwan to Paul John in India. Such distillers take the tried and tested Scottish model and use it to create products that win awards globally.

All types of distiller – old-established and new, large and small, Scottish and foreign – are focussed on innovation and pleasing customers. This means there will be plenty for whisky-lovers to look forward to in 2020.

BRUICHLADDICH 25 YEAR OLD BLACK ART 1994 VINTAGE (EDITION 07.1)



Style: Single malt
Origin: Scotland (Islay)
Age: 25 years old
Proof: 48.4% ABV
Price: \$430
Release: February 2020
Availability: 12,000 bottles
Need to know: Bruichladdich head distiller Adam Hannett put together this whisky, which, like all Black Art releases, is presented with no information about the maturation program. What we do know is that the whisky is unpeated, and it was all distilled in 1994—the year that Bruichladdich closed indefinitely. *Whisky Advocate* says: There's a lot to be said for not knowing how a whisky was made, and simply letting the flavor speak for itself. Glenlivet

has been doing that with its mystery series—including Enigma, which was named [No. 8 on the 2019 Top 20 list](#)—but retired Bruichladdich master distiller Jim McEwan pioneered the concept with Black Art, and his protégé Adam Hannett continues it. These special editions are always worth seeking out for their complexity and quality; the sixth release [scored 92 points](#), and the fifth came in at [91 points](#).

Scotland's most northerly whisky distillery gains planning approval

3rd March, 2020 by Nicola Carruthers

A couple can now begin building what is thought to be Scotland's most northerly mainland whisky distillery after planning permission was approved.



Work on the new microdistillery is expected to begin in summer 2020

Plans for the new microdistillery, which will be built near the coastline in the Scottish village of John O'Groats, were approved yesterday (2 March). The 32,670-square-foot facility will house a distillery, visitor centre and bonded warehouse.

The site will have the capacity to produce up to 60,000 litres of whisky annually and is thought to be the first whisky distillery in John O'Groats since 1937.

The brainchild of local husband-and-wife team Derek and Kerry Campbell, the distillery received an investment of £198,000 (US\$253,000) from the Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE).

"With a longstanding interest in the whisky industry, I began to truly appreciate quality Scotch whisky around 12 years ago and since then

have developed a growing passion for Scotland's national drink," said Kerry Campbell.

"After many conversations with my husband around the idea of building our own distillery and creating our own whisky, I'm delighted that we are now one step closer to making these plans a reality having secured planning permission on our dream site at John O'Groats."

The new site will encompass one large building, which features large glass windows that showcase the two copper stills, traditional whisky-making process and views across the Pentland Firth. A 1,500-square-foot dunnage warehouse will also be built onsite to mature and store the Highland spirit.

Kerry Campbell added: "We believe the whisky we will produce will be unlike that from any other distillery, due to our coastal location in John O'Groats and the impact the local climate will have on our spirit as it matures.

"With traditional methods at the heart of our plans and an ambition to showcase whisky distilling in John O'Groats to the world, we are looking forward to opening the doors to our microdistillery in due course.

"The support we have received from the local community and business owners to date has been fantastic and we can't wait to welcome them to our distillery in 2021."

The project will also feature a visitor attraction to entice tourists travelling from Land's End in western Cornwall to John O'Groats.

The venture is expected to create six new jobs during the first year including a master whisky maker and a visitor centre manager.

Construction work on the distillery is planned to commence this summer, with the aim of opening the visitor centre to the public in summer 2021.

Two Rosebank single cask whiskies to launch via ballot

10th February, 2020 by Melita Kiely

Two limited edition single cask whiskies from the formerly mothballed Rosebank Distillery, distilled in 1993 when the site closed, will be launched via a ballot sale.



Both Rosebank whiskies were distilled in 1993, the year the distillery was mothballed

Rosebank Cask Number 433 has been bottled at 53.3% ABV and comprises 280 bottles, while the Rosebank Cask Number 625 has an ABV of 50.4% and consists of 259 bottles. Both were matured in refill Bourbon hogsheads.

However, only 100 of each single cask Scotch whisky will be released via ballot on Friday 14 February for Rosebank subscribers, priced at £2,500 (US\$3,233) each. The remaining bottles will be available via general release on Tuesday 18 February.

Ian Macleod Distillers acquired [Rosebank Distillery](#) from Scottish Canals in 2017, when it also bought the Rosebank trademark and existing casks from previous owner Diageo. [Restoration of Rosebank Distillery](#) got under way in November 2019.

Robbie Hughes, Rosebank's distillery manager, said: "We are incredibly excited and proud to be releasing our first official bottlings of Rosebank since the distillery's closure in 1993 – a pivotal milestone for us in bringing back to life this quintessential Lowland malt.

"These expressions, though distinct in character, are both shining examples of Rosebank's peerlessly smooth, fruity character. We know

both are highly anticipated by whisky enthusiasts and collectors alike, so we expect great demand from our ballots.

“With the distillery’s redevelopment well under way, it’s a terrifically exciting chapter for Ian Macleod Distillers and Rosebank. We look forward to keeping fans updated with the distillery’s progress and releasing more unique and rare whiskies for fans across the world to savour in the coming years.”

Cask Number 433 is said to have aromas of vanilla, mango, raspberry, barley sugar and lavender, leading to flavours of cranachan, lemon, floral notes, marzipan and faint spice, with citrus, ripe fruit and oak. Meanwhile, Cask Number 625 is said to have aromas of banana loaf with hints of white chocolate, spearmint, Victoria sponge and dried pineapple. On the palate, tasting notes include shortbread, camomile tea, dried herbs, citrus, tropical fruit and a gentle spice finish.

Those who are successful in the sale will be invited to collect their bottle at a private, intimate event in London on Wednesday 18 March. During the event, buyers will have the opportunity to meet Rosebank’s distillery manager, Hughes, and learn more about the malts and sample the single casks.

Next month, Ian Macleod Distillers will release the first official trade release of whisky from Rosebank Distillery, aged before its 1993 closure. Another “extremely limited” travel retail-exclusive bottling will also be released at the DFS’s Masters of Wine and Spirits exhibition in Singapore.

Whisky Debates: Glenfiddich 12 Year Old vs Macallan Double Cask 12 Years Old – what’s the best entry-level single malt?

<https://www.scmp.com/magazines/style/leisure/article/3050576/whisky-debates-glenfiddich-12-year-old-vs-macallan-double>

[George Koutsakis](#) -Published: 6:00pm, 15 Feb, 2020



Which is the better entry-level whisky? Photo: Macallan and Glenfiddich
In the first piece of *STYLE*'s new Whisky Debates column we'll be comparing the two bestselling single malt Scotch whisky brands and their entry-level expressions. While there are many other great entry-level whiskies, focusing on two of the most widely distributed and recognised brands is the best place to start: the Macallan Double Cask 12 Years Old and the Glenfiddich 12 Year Old.

Macallan Double Cask 12 Years Old – US\$60



The Macallan Double Cask 12 Years Old brings sherry notes forth, with dried fruits and trail mix. Photo: Macallan
The Macallan brand is the most collectable and high-end brand in the world of Scotch. The Macallan 1926 sold at auction just two months ago for US\$1.9 million and shattered the world record for most expensive whisky bottle ever sold. As the premium range is so sought-after and rare this has driven up the price for the core range, making the Double Cask quite pricey compared to other bottles of the same age and availability.

The term double cask describes the whisky’s maturation in both sherry and American oak casks. Sadly, many of the recent, more affordable Macallan releases have been hit and miss. The Macallan Edition No. 4 for example, is an amazingly balanced dram, while the new Edition No. 5 is quite underwhelming.

The Double Cask brings sherry notes forth, with dried fruits and trail mix. The palate brings spice, a little too much oak and a touch of chocolate. For an entry-level whisky, the palate is quite intense and the oak notes are slightly overwhelming.

Glenfiddich 12 Year Old – US\$35



The entry-level Glenfiddich 12 Year Old brings aromas of summer fruit and caramel. Photo: Glenfiddich
Glenfiddich remains the bestselling single malt Scotch whisky bottle in the world. While the Macallan soars in collectability, Glenfiddich sells in higher numbers. At around US\$35 per bottle, this 12-year age statement whisky is a bargain. The Glenfiddich can be found in almost every corner of the world, and easily, which removes the need to hunt for the dram. This is good for beginners as Glenfiddich 12-year-old will be on the shelf at most bars across the globe. Starting off the Glenfiddich

brings aromas of summer fruit and caramel. The palate is soft and smooth, with some cinnamon and other winter spice alongside the caramel, butterscotch sweetness.

The verdict:

The Glenfiddich 12 outshines the Macallan 12 Double Cask. Firstly, the price almost allows one to buy two bottles of the Glenfiddich for the price of one Macallan. Simply because of the brand's high price tags at auction and luxury image, the Macallan charges a little too much for their normal 12YO expression. Secondly, the taste. Palates differ, but a beginner looking at an entry level single malt is likely to find it easier to enjoy the Glenfiddich due to the softer, smoother character of the whisky, and the subtle sweetness and fruity notes. The Macallan's intense oak notes and spice can overwhelm complete beginners. Both are great whiskies, but as an entry level whisky, between two of the world's bestselling single malts, we put the Glenfiddich in first place.

Highland Park launches Heathrow-exclusive whisky

20th February, 2020 by Melita Kiely

Edrington has created a single cask expression of Highland Park Scotch whisky exclusively for World Duty Free at Heathrow Airport in London.



Only 642 bottles will be available exclusively from Heathrow Airport

Only 642 bottles of the Highland Park single malt have been created, available at World of Whiskies stores across all four Heathrow terminals from today (20 February).

Highland Park Single Cask for World of Whiskies at Heathrow was matured in a mix of first-fill American oak and Sherry puncheon casks for 12 years.

Bottled at a cask strength of 64.4% ABV, the whisky is said to have notes of vanilla, almonds and smoke on the nose, leading to flavours of marzipan, lemon peel and vanilla on the palate.

Highland Park Single Cask for World of Whiskies at Heathrow will retail for £105 (US\$135) per bottle.

Jeremy Speirs, managing director EMEA travel retail, Edrington, said:

“Highland Park continues to innovate and excite customers with its single cask range.

“This limited edition is available only at Heathrow, World of Whiskies. It offers our valued customers the opportunity to own a unique cask strength bottling of Highland Park – perfectly balanced, it will not disappoint.”

joins the Pagoda Reserve Trilogy, which includes 43-, 48- and 59-year-old whiskies.

A further addition to the Pagoda Reserve Series will be released later this year – Pagoda Sapphire Reserve 63 years old.

George Grant, sales director at Glenfarclas Distillery, said: “I take great pleasure in releasing this extremely rare 1954, single Sherry butt cask 62-year-old. The Glenfarclas Pagoda Ruby Reserve is a rare piece of Scotch whisky heritage and one of the oldest whiskies on the market today.”

Bottled at 44.8% ABV, the Glenfarclas Ruby Reserve whisky is available in two editions: Limited Edition Silver and Collector’s Edition Gold.

ARBEG ANNOUNCES ARDBEG BLAAACK TO CELEBRATE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF ARDBEG COMMITTEE



This year on Ardbeg Day, held on the final Saturday of Islay Festival, Ardbeg is releasing [Ardbeg Blaaack](#). This limited-edition single malt is a peated NAS whisky finished in Pinot Noir casks from New Zealand. The release is meant to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Ardbeg Committee, the brand’s fan club that boasts a global membership of over 120,000 people. The whisky is named Blaaack after the “black-sheep” of the Committee membership.

Two versions of Ardbeg Blaaack are expected. The first is sold exclusively to Ardbeg Committee Members starting in March 2020. It is bottled at 50.7% ABV. The second release is expected to be widely available after Ardbeg Day in June 2020 and is bottled at 46% ABV. A rare woolen bottle jacket will also be available at the distillery in limited quantities.

Ardbeg Blaaack Committee Release

Glenfarclas launches 62yo Scotch priced at £53k

3rd March, 2020 by Owen Bellwood

Speyside distillery Glenfarclas has unveiled its oldest whisky to date, a Scotch aged for 62 years in an ex-Sherry butt.



The Glenfarclas Pagoda Ruby Reserve is bottled in a decanter featuring 34 rubies. Glenfarclas Pagoda Ruby Reserve is a limited edition bottling presented in a Glencairn decanter that features hand-mounted rubies. The whisky



Glenfarclas will release 50 bottles and 50 magnums of Collector’s Edition Gold. The Silver bottling will be priced from £22,716 (US\$29,000) per 700ml bottle. Glenfarclas will release 180 bottles of the whisky, as well as 62 magnums priced at £48,678 (US\$62,000).

Scotch whisky maker Glenfarclas will also release 50 bottles and 50 magnums of its Collector’s Edition Gold, with 1.5l magnums priced at £53,546 (US\$68,000) and bottles available for £24,988 (US\$32,000).

The latest release from the Speyside distiller is housed in Glencairn’s first decanter to encase hand-mounted gemstones. The front age statement features 34 rubies to construct the number 62. The sides of the decanter feature Chinese guardian lions and the solid silver and gold plated collars of the two editions are individually numbered. It also features a red crystal pagoda-shaped stopper, which is engraved to represent the Silk Road.

Scott Davidson, Glencairn’s new product development director, said: “It has been an honour to create some of our finest ever decanters to pay homage to and celebrate the exceptional whiskies in the Glenfarclas Pagoda Reserve Series. We’re especially proud of the Ruby Reserve decanter as it has enabled us to showcase the talent of our craftspeople, some of whom have over 30 years experience in working with crystal. “It has been a huge developmental project for us in aspects such as developing the tall, intricate, magnetic pagoda top and a first for us in using precious rubies to embellish the decanter. We look forward to revealing the Pagoda Sapphire Reserve decanter to the whisky world alongside Glenfarclas later in the year.”



SCOTCH WHISKY: AT A GLANCE 2019

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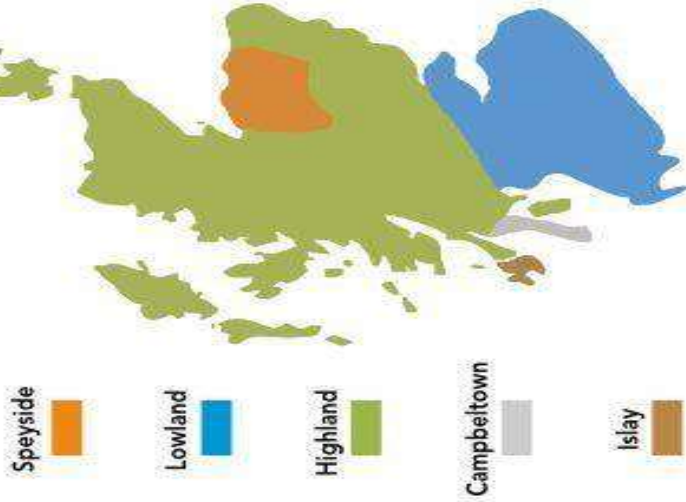
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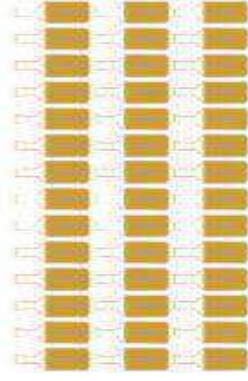


The 5 Scotch Regions



Did you know?

- Scotch Whisky is exported to around 180 countries worldwide
- Exports of Scotch Whisky earned £156 every second in 2019
- More Scotch is enjoyed worldwide than American, Canadian and Irish whiskies combined
- Scotch Whisky accounts for 20% of all UK food and drink exports
- The term 'whisky' comes from the Gaelic 'uisge beatha' or 'usquebaugh' meaning 'water of life'
- Drinkers in the UK often choose to enjoy Scotch with just a little water, but in Spain they mix it with cola, in China with cold green tea, and in Brazil with coconut water
- The earliest reference to distilling in Scotland appears in the Scottish Exchequer Rolls in 1494



42 BOTTLES OF SCOTCH WHISKY ARE EXPORTED EVERY SECOND



The Economic Impact

adds £5.5bn of value to the UK economy

supports salaries worth £1.3bn in Scotland alone

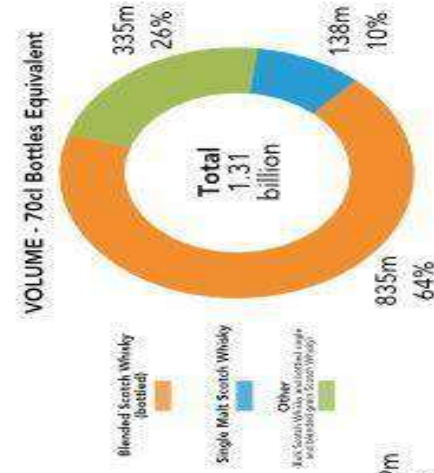
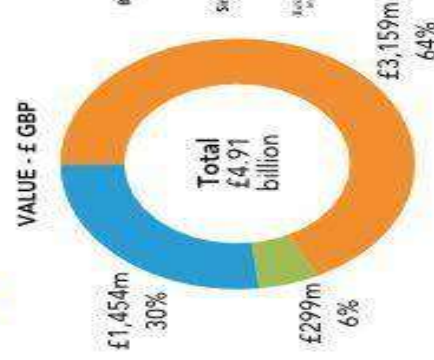
supports over 42,000 jobs across the UK

Over 20% of all UK food and drink exports, and 1.3% of all UK goods

Scotch is a significant contributor to the rural economy – it supports 7,000 jobs in rural Scotland



The 2019 Exports



Membership and Dinner prices for 2019-2020

Membership Fee:	\$50 (singles) \$75 (couples)
One Time Initiation Fee:	\$15
Standard Dinner Fee:	\$70 (member) \$80 (non-member)
Christmas Dinner Fee:	\$75 (member) \$75 (non-member)
Robbie Burns Dinner Fee:	\$75 (member) \$85 (non-member)
June BBQ Dinner Fee:	\$80 (member) \$80 (non-member)

Reservation policy

- The agreement with the Kitchen's requires that we provide seven (7) business days notice for them to guarantee accommodation for our requested numbers. To accommodate the Kitchen's needs and meet our contractual obligation with them; our members are requested to respond to the emailed invitation seven (7) business days prior to the respective dinner to guarantee a seat at the dinner. Following the RSVP date members will be placed on a waitlist.
 - For these individuals the process will be as follows, using the Monday September 23rd, 2019 dinner date as an example:
 - Dinner invitations will be sent out Friday August 23rd, 2019. Please respond to me (rdifazio04@gmail.com). I will then acknowledge that you have a seat. Please understand that if you do not receive a response you are not guaranteed a seat at the respective dinner. In such circumstances (e.g., computer glitches) please e-mail me again or call me (613-532-5285).
 - Unless otherwise stated accommodation at the dinner will be guaranteed for all members who respond by Friday September 6th, 2019 @ 6pm.
 - Once the RSVP date has been achieved I will e-mail a spreadsheet informing everyone of their status and amount due.
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Cancellation policy

- Using the same example as above, anyone who cancels anytime prior to Friday September 6th, 2019 @ 6pm will be removed from the list.
 - Anyone canceling between Friday September 6th, 2019 @ 6pm and Monday September 23rd, 2019 will be expected to pay for the cost of the dinner and scotch (\$70). It is the responsibility of the member who cancels their (or their guest's) reservation to find a replacement. If I am asked to find a substitute and one is found, then the member will be asked to pay for 50% of their dinner cost.
 - Anyone who fails to attend the Monday September 23rd, 2019 dinner without having cancelled and been successfully replaced will be expected to pay the full cost (\$70). A member will be responsible for their guest's cancellation (\$80).
 - If a member asks to be included at the dinner between Friday September 6th, 2019 @ 6pm and Monday September 23rd, 2019, their name will be placed on a wait-list and be accommodated on a first-come first-serve basis.
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Assigned / Reserved Seating

- Assigned Seating will be offered for the January, June, August, and December dinners.
 - Reserved Seating will only be considered if it is a group consisting of a single member plus 3+ guests or a couple member plus 2+ guests.
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Perfume / Cologne and Whisky

- Our enjoyment of fine whisky at KSMS starts with a nosing - for many a definitive and delicate moment in their relationship with a new dram. The power of aroma is unquestionable. From defining life experiences to the recall of special memories, the sense of smell is as individual as a fingerprint and has the ability to evoke some of the most precious,

rewarding and distinctive moments. Unfortunately strong perfumes can mask and distort other aromas and smells and interfere with the ability to register and recognize subtler fragrances.

- To be fair to all we ask all our members to please refrain from wearing scented products and perfumes to our KSMS evenings.

Dinner Payments

- Please consider sending your payment by e-transfer prior to the dinner. The password will be "KSMS2020RDF", to whatever your security question is. Receiving payment in advance will allow everyone the opportunity to socialize before the dinner as well as reduce the accounting work required after.
 - For e-transfers, Members are responsible for collecting from their guests, and then forwarding one payment in total by e-transfer.
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Just a note because we care.

Please understand that for the purpose of each event you are advised to drink responsibly and refrain from excessive consumption. The dinners hosted by the Kingston Single Malt Society are sampling events. By agreeing to pay and thereby attend the dinner you agree to release from legal responsibility and hold harmless Kingston Single Malt Society, its President Roberto Di Fazio, and any other volunteers from liability or claims arising from these events.



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