

## **LWAS - PLATFORM 3 - WHISKY TASTING - THURSDAY 28 JULY 2016**

### **SMWS 3.263 BOWMORE “PRETTY BUT GRITTY” ONE OF 180 BOTTLES AT 55% abv.**

**Nose:** Sweet, floral perfumes, Parma Violets and sherbet straws with clean, gentle smoke, coal tar soap and candles.

**Palate:** incense smoke, wood ash, soot and tar- but ultimately refused, sweet, juicy and satisfying.

**Finish:** Lovely mix of perfumed sweetness and burnt embers.

### **ANGELS NECTAR - SMALL BATCH RELEASE FIRST EDITION - BLENDED MALT FROM GRANTOWN ON SPEY AT 40% abv.**

Created from a selection of the finest Speyside and Highland malt whiskies, bottled at 40% abv. the First Edition of Angels' Nectar Blended Malt Scotch Whisky is naturally light in colour, with no added colouring,

**Nose:** has a sweet nose of vanilla, stewed apples and fruit syrup.

**Palate:** a taste of heather honey and lemon, and a hint of spice on the finish.

**Finish:** Sweet nectar! and a smooth finish if not a little short.

### **AILSA BAY SINGLE MALT FROM AYRSHIRE AT 48.9% abv.**

Single malt from Ailsa Craig, founded in 2007 with a capacity of 12,000,000 litres on the same site as Girvan. Several styles of malt whisky are produced there, from sweet and light to heavier and more sulphury (two stills have steel condenser rather than copper) as well as peated styles up to 50ppm.

**Nose:** Custard and some phenolic ash, some Big Red too, becoming more chalky and cereal driven with subtle golden syrup. As the producer's notes state, bacon then emerges.

**Palate:** Undoubtedly meaty 'n' peaty. More of that chalky cereal (dry muesli?) and golden syrup with Big Red in support.

**Finish:** Sweet, smoky and drying. More Big Red with vanilla.

## **DAILUAINÉ 17 YEAR OLD AT 46% abv. by Càrn Mòr**

Ooh, independently bottled Dailuaine single malt! This Càrn Mòr Strictly Limited release was matured in two hogshead casks from 1997 and 2014. It was bottled at 17 years old with an outturn of 558 bottles.

Dailuaine 17 year old is a rare whisky bottled by Morrison and Mackay. The whisky produced at this distillery ends up in blends as it is sought after by blenders. Not very often one gets to see this whisky bottled as a single malt.

Dailuaine distillery was built in 1852. This distillery was the first one ever to feature a 'pagoda' style roof, this type of roof is a common sight in the Speyside area these days. The distillery was acquired by whisky giant Diageo in 1998 and has remained an important component of this company's blends ever since. Surprisingly, the single malt whisky from this distillery was not included in the expanded 'Classic Malts Selection' portfolio in 2004. Maybe this is due to the fact that around 98% of the whisky produced at Dailuaine distillery ends up in the Johnnie Walker blends.

Morrison and Mackay Independent bottlers

Carn Mor is one of the brands from this family owned independent bottler. The superb range includes unique and rare whisky from distilleries all over Scotland. The Strictly Limited collection comes bottled at 46% and is un-chillfiltered. The Celebration of the Cask is a range of premium single malts bottled at full strength.

## **SPEYMALT - 12 YEAR OLD AT 40% abv.**

Spey is a brand owned by Harvey's of Edinburgh (who also own the Speyside distillery) and is primarily sold in Taiwan. This is their Reserve 12 year old, which is a sherried and peaty whisky.

Whisky Galore remake!!!

## **AUCHENTOSHAN 1998 AT 46% abv.**

A 1998 vintage Auchentoshan from independent bottler Signatory as part of the Un-Chillfiltered Collection. Distilled on 2 December, it was matured in bourbon barrels 102355 and 102357 for 16 years before being bottled on 1 October 2015.

Wemyss Malts bottling - Lemon Zest.