

Royal Burgess Golf Club
Pre-Dinner Whisky Tasting notes
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Gross 70 !

STRAIGHTFROMTHECASK - BRUICHLADDICH - 12 YEAR OLD - 63.6% abv.

Nose: Fruity and sweet, candy floss?, with a hint of pepper in the background. Also get some woody notes.

Palate: Biscuit/cereal flavour with hints of citrus,lemon and oranges, with a lovely creamy mouthfeel. Like a good brandy!

Finish: A long, creamy finish with a dusting of burnt embers from a crackling log fire. Oranges still prevail. A great winter dram.

OLD PULTENEY 17 YEAR OLD AT 46% abv.

Nose: The nose is clean and fresh with great balance. There is a profusion of fruit, from fruit salad with honeydew melon and pear to dried fruits with a lovely creaminess.

Palate: The palate is quite full and very sweet with sugared citrus peels and toffee. There are some notes of beeswax and honeycomb and fudge rises with malted barley and cereal sweetness.

Finish: The finish is long with a herbal edge and a chewy oak.

GLENGOYNE 21 YEAR OLD AT 43% abv.

100% Sherry Casks. Predominantly 1st Fill European Oak Sherry Casks.

Nose: Red apples, spicy strudel, toffee, sherry and dried fruits. Christmas cake in a glass.

Palate: Lots of Sherry, honey, oak with a developing aromatic sensation. Ends with a heavenly cinnamon nip.

Finish: Long, sherry, spicy, warm and dry.

SCALLYWAG - BLENDED SPEYSIDE MALT AT 46% abv. by Douglas Laing

Nose: Sweetness jumps up like an excited puppy. Icing sugar, sultanas and candied ginger. A few hints of grain here and there, but sweetness steals the show.

Palate: The sweetness surprisingly retreats, revealing nutmeg and cereal. Vanilla comes in near the end. Cinnamon too, giving it a prickle of spice.

Finish: A pinch of oak spice joins the vanilla and sherry for the finish.

