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# Welcome to the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Premium Night

# **MENU**

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<u>Welcome & 1<sup>st</sup> Nosing</u>: LINKWOOD 19 YEAR OLD (introduced by: Conny Leighton)

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<u>1<sup>st</sup> Course</u>: Local Tomato Soup, EVOO Fried Focaccia Croutons, Parmigiano, Micro Basil <u>2<sup>nd</sup> Nosing</u>: CAOL ILA 30 YEAR OLD (introduced by: John Creber)

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<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Nosing</u>: CRAGGANMORE 21 YEAR OLD (introduced by: Bill Gorham)

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<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Course</u>: Crab Meat & Avocado Tower, Tomato Salsa <u>4<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: GLENMORANGIE GRAND VINTAGE 1990 (introduced by: Roberto Di Fazio)

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<u>5<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: TULLIBARDINE 25 YEAR OLD (introduced by: Ken Goodland)

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<u>3<sup>rd</sup> Course</u>: Country Style Pork Terrine, Pickled Vegetables, Mustard Greens, Sherry & Mustard Vinaigrette <u>6<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: BOWMORE PORT MATURED 23 YO (introduced by: John Leighton)

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<u>7<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: ARDBEG 21 YEARS OLD (introduced by: Doug Perkins)

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<u>4<sup>th</sup> Course</u>: Prime Rib of Beef, Local Roasted Potatoes, Vegetable Bundle, Fresh Herb Mustard Seed, Horseradish Jus <u>8<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: MANNOCHMORE 25 YEARS OLD (introduced by: Sylvain Bouffard)

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<u>9<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: MACALLAN RARE CASK BLACK (introduced by: Chantaille Buczynski)

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<u>Dessert</u>: Spiced, Honey Crème Brulee <u>10<sup>th</sup> Nosing</u>: OLD FETTERCAIRN 26 YEAR OLD (introduced by: Philip Henderson)

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# COST OF THE MALTS

- LINKWOOD 1997 SIGNATORY VINTAGE SINGLE MALT SCOTCH WHISKY 19 Year Old Distilled: 30.06.1997; Bottled: 23.03.2017; Age: 19 Year Old; 750mL; Price: **\$129.95**; 56.6% Alcohol/Vol.

- CAOL ILA 30 YEAR OLD SINGLE MALT VINTAGES 410894 | 750 mL bottle Price: **\$749.95** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey 55.1% Alcohol/Vol.

- CRAGGANMORE 21 YEAR OLD CASK STRENGTH LIMITED EDITION Distilled: 1989; Bottled: 2010; Bottle # 5603 of 5856; VINTAGES 161097 | 750 mL bottle **Price: \$199.99** Spirits, Scotch Whisky, 56.0% Alcohol/Vol.

- GLENMORANGIE GRAND VINTAGE MALT 1990 VINTAGES 327452 | 750 mL bottle **Price \$ 891.00** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Single Malt Scotch 43.0% Alcohol/Vol.

- TULLIBARDINE 25 YEARS OLD HIGHLAND SINGLE MALT VINTAGES 433979 | 750 mL bottle Price: \$525.95 Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 43.0% Alcohol/Vol.

- **BOWMORE PORT MATURED 23 YEARS OLD** ISLAY SINGLE MALT VINTAGES 434704 | 750 mL bottle **Price: \$699.95** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 50.8% Alcohol/Vol.

- **ARDBEG 21 YEARS OLD** ISLAY SINGLE MALT VINTAGES 434704 | 750 mL bottle **Price: \$789.39** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 46.0% Alcohol/Vol.

- MANNOCHMORE 25 YEARS OLD VINTAGES 618084 | 750 mL bottle Price: **\$525.95** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 53.4% Alcohol/Vol.

- MACALLAN RARE CASK BLACK VINTAGES 500249 | 700 mL bottle Price: \$630.00 Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 48.0% Alcohol/Vol.

- OLD FETTERCAIRN 26 YEAR OLD STILLAMN'S DRAM LCBO 500249 | 700 mL bottle **Price: \$290.00** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 45.0% Alcohol/Vol.

## Upcoming Dinner Dates

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - Campbeltown / Lowland / Speyside / Highlands / Islands / Islay - River Mill October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - Glenfiddich Vertical - River Mill October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - Highland Park Night - River Mill November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - Bowmore Vertical - River Mill December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 - Christmas Dinner - River Mill January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Robbie Burns - River Mill February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Islands / Islay - River Mill March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Speyside - River Mill April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Speyside / Highlands - River Mill May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Speyside / Highlands - River Mill June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - BBQ (Final Exam) - River Mill July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Bourbon Night - River Mill Friday August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Premium Night - River Mill September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Campbeltown / Lowland / Speyside / Highlands / Islands / Islay - River Mill October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Speyside / Highlands - River Mill November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Speyside - River Mill December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Christmas Dinner - River Mill

#### ARDBEG RELEASES 21YO TO MARK 'TURBULENT' PAST 12th September, 2016 by Amy Hopkins - <u>http://www.thespiritsbusiness.com/</u> Islay single malt Scotch whisky Ardbeg has launched a 21-year-old expression that marks "one of the most turbulent times" in the distillery's history.



Ardbeg Twenty One will be exclusively available to members of the Ardbeg Committee

Ardbeg Twenty One is available exclusively to members of the Ardbeg Committee, a members' club of 120,000 people formed to "prevent the distillery's doors ever closing again".

The distillery ceased production and closed twice throughout its history – in 1981 and 1996. As such, Ardbeg claims its latest expression is significant since uses liquid distilled in the mid-90s, the time of its final closure.

The Glenmorangie Company purchased Ardbeg distillery in 1997.

"Ardbeg Twenty One is a shining example of Ardbeg's enduring spirit [and] I'm so pleased we can share it with our members," said Mickey Heads, Ardbeg Distillery manager and chairman of the Ardbeg Committee, who set aside whisky used for this new bottling.

"The committee have invested much in ensuring the future of the distillery and it's only right that they should share the rewards of its turbulent past too."

Dr Bill Lumsden, director of distilling, whisky creation and whisky stocks at Ardbeg, added: "I selected the casks for this sumptuous, golden whisky as they combine the distinctive, peppery smokiness of Ardbeg's award-winning malt with soothing, buttery qualities.

"Born from adversity, Ardbeg Twenty One is the perfect dram to celebrate the resilience of Ardbeg and The Ardbeg Committee's enduring loyalty." Non-chill-filtered and bottled at 46% abv, Ardbeg Twenty One will go on

sale on 21 September at an RRP of £310. In April this year, the distillery launched a no-age-statement, called Dark

<u>Cove</u>, to mark Islay's smuggling past.

Just last week, Ardbeg launched "the world's most daring whisky challenge", where 10 participants will take part in an apprenticeship at the distillery followed by a trek to Ardbeg's water source, before cutting peat and rowing a cask of whisky along the Islay coast, all the time carrying at 12kg pack.

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GLENMORANGIE UNVEILS 'VINTAGE' WHISKY COLLECTION 15th December, 2016 by Nicola Carruthers - <u>http://www.thespiritsbusiness.com/</u>



LVMH-owned single malt Scotch Glenmorangie has launched the first expression in its new range of "vintage" whiskies, called Bond House No. 1.

Glenmorangie Grand Vintage Malt 1990 marks 1990 as a year of change at the distillery

Glenmorangie's Bond House No. 1 series showcases the individuality of the distillery's "most complex and elegant" vintage malts, each distilled in one year.

Taking its name from the largest of Glenmorangie's 19th century bonded warehouses, Warehouse No.1 was home to the distillery's casks of maturing spirit.

But in 1990, as Glenmorangie sought to meet growing demand, its role was to change entirely. Bonded

warehouse No. 1 was transformed into a still house, home to Glenmorangie's signature copper stills, renowned as the tallest in Scotland. The inaugural expression, Glenmorangie Grand Vintage Malt 1990, tells its own story of an "extraordinary spirit which emerged from the most challenging harvest in living memory".

The new bottling marks 1990 as a year of change at the distillery and the problematic barley harvest from the previous summer. Glenmorangie carefully nurtured the spirit for 25 years in selected ex-Bourbon casks and ex-Sherry casks.

The new expression, bottled at 43% abv, is described as having "heady floral and fruity notes" while on the palette it has "sweet flavours of orange syrup, puff candy, honeycomb, and vanilla."

Dr Bill Lumsden, Glenmorangie's director of distilling, whisky creation & and whisky stocks, said: "The Bond House No. 1 collection gives connoisseurs a unique opportunity to explore the individuality each year has lent our award-winning spirit.

"I'm delighted that Glenmorangie Grand Vintage Malt 1990 will launch the collection. Even today, few can explain how a spirit so delicious could emerge from a barley crop of such challenges.

"Combined with a quarter-century of Glenmorangie's exceptional cask expertise, its finesse and vibrancy has been preserved through the ages, to create a whisky brimming with aromas of heather honey, mandarin and candied fruits and tastes of orange syrup and vanilla, zesty, herbal top notes, baked apples and brown sugar."

Glenmorangie Grand Vintage Malt 1990 is priced at £495 and available from selected whisky specialist retailers.

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#### MACALLAN RELEASES 500 BOTTLES OF NEW 40YO 15th December, 2016 by Kristiane Sherry - <u>http://www.thespiritsbusiness.com/</u>

Edrington-owned single malt Scotch The Macallan has launched the latest in its Sherry Oak Range, The Macallan

40 Years Old, with just 500 bottles made available globally. The Macallan has released only

its second-ever non-vintage 40yo expression The new release is

only the second non-vintage 40year-old expression to come from the Speyside distillery.

In early 2006 when whisky maker Bob Dalgarno married nine casks for The Macallan 30 Years Old Sherry Oak edition, he laid a tenth cask back down.

This cask was bottled in 2016 at 40 years of age to become The Macallan 40 Years Old Sherry Oak.

"This whisky owes its very existence to the insight

and intuition of Bob Dalgarno," said Geoff Kirk, director of prestige for The Macallan.

"The additional decade of careful maturation through to 2016 has produced an outstanding and distinct single malt to add to the collection of rich, mature expressions from The Macallan. We relished the careful attention that has gone into creating The Macallan 40 Years Old."

Given nosing and tasting notes include light peat, sweet ginger cake, treacle notes, ripe pineapple, citrus fruit sorbet, sultana, raisins, almonds and wood smoke.

The Macallan 40 Years Old Sherry Oak is bottled at 45% abv and retails at US\$8,000. Of the 500 bottles available, 70 have been allocated to the US market.

Work is progressing on <u>The Macallan's new £100 million distillery in</u> <u>Speyside</u>, with the construction of the new warehouses and filling store getting under way in October.

If you have any questions or comments please free to contact me. Thank you for your understanding, Roberto



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