



## Object of the Newsletter

*To promote the appreciation of fine Scotch Whisky, the area from which it comes, the people that inhabit the land and it's history. By the way, I am merely expressing my opinion on the whiskies I am tasting, as you know, everybody has one.*

I now look at Aberlour 16-year-old, a double cask (American Oak and Oloroso Sherry casks) matured Speyside whisky.

When I think of Speyside whiskies I think "fruit" and this is no exception, this is a very fruit forward whisky as you would expect from Aberlour. In 2002 a new visitor center was opened to the public for tastings and tours. These are The "Aberlour Experience" a standard tour with a tasting at the end. The "Founders' Tour" is a premium tour in which you learn everything about the distillery including tastings of 'new make' spirit and whiskies at different stages of maturation. The "Casks from the past" tour where you get to taste special distillery bottlings. Would I buy it? Yes, I would the price is about average for a whisky of this age and if you like sherry driven flavors in your whisky then I can highly recommend that you give it a try as well.

[You can buy Aberlour 16-year-old for around \\$75.00 a bottle.](#)

### Tasting Notes

**Nose** - Floral & raisins.

**Palate** - Floral, plums & oaky spice.

**Finish** - Fruit & a hint of spice.

*"Slainte Mhath"*

*Paul Bissett*





## 5 Single Malts from Around the World to Try Now

By Julia Higgins

While Scotland is known and loved for its single malt whiskies, other parts of the world are showing some serious chops in the single malt space—producing superb cask finished expressions and also releasing some refined single casks. The results are heady, with rich flavors that highlight their distinct places of origin.

The **Summer 2021 Buying Guide** features a handful of such worldly single malts, hailing from India, Wales, China, and beyond. Even if you're an ardent fan of scotch single malts, consider trying one of these, as they give even the most esteemed names from Scotland a run for their money.

### **Amrut Aatma Port Pipe Single Cask (No. 4670)**

**92 points, 56.5%,**

**Price \$190**

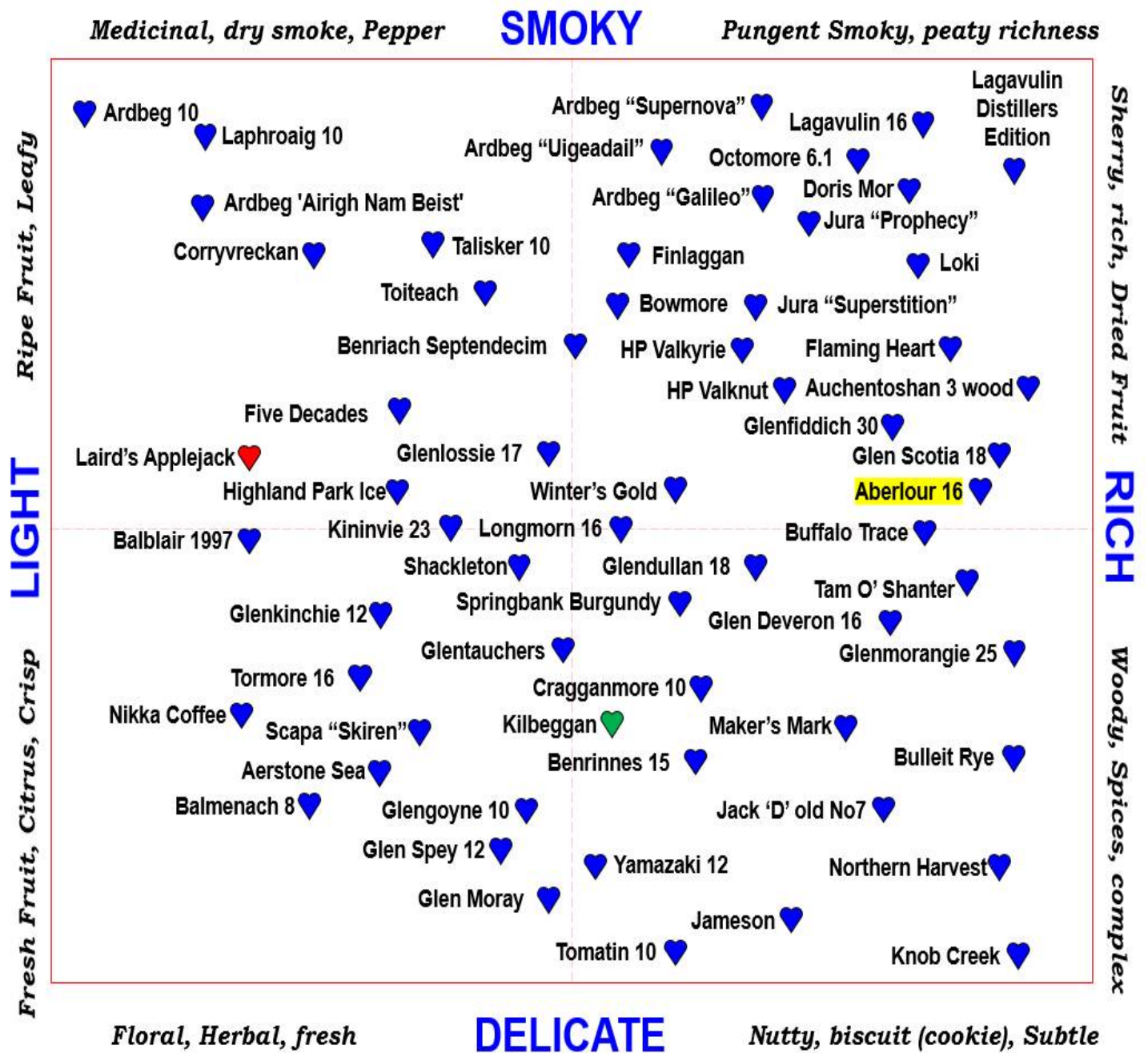


The color of polished horse chestnuts with the opulent aroma of mature vintage port, this concentrates the fruits around a firm spicy core, with red Twizzlers and a mischievous smirk of hot paprika.

Red jelly and black grape flavors tangle with oak tannins, vanilla pod, red apple, clove, black pepper, plain chocolate, and vanilla essence. An almost local-anesthetic effect on the tongue at cask strength, so dilute liberally. (360 bottles) —Jonny McCormick



Below is a simple guide to help you choose your single malt Whisky, and the flavor notes you should expect from it. Being Scottish I recommend you find a likely candidate and try it in a bar before buying the whole bottle. This Issue; [Aberlour 16-year-old](#). For more information on [Aberlour](#) whiskies go to [www.aberlour.com](#)





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### Penderyn 10 year old Ruby Port Single Cask (PT-178)

91 points, 60.06%,

Price \$150

A good single cask pick should stand up proudly at cask strength yet still show plenty of character after dilution: This aged Welsh whisky does both superbly. Aromas of stewed rhubarb, cherry syrup, five spice, fresh oak, ripening black currants, and ground ginger. It opens with sweet flavors of lemon shortbread, vanilla, cherry gummy bears, and raspberry, building to a climax of clove, cinnamon bark, and tannic fruit skins. Don't miss! —Jonny McCormick



### Shibui 10 year old Pure Malt

90 points, 43%,

Price \$140

The combination of mature single malts from Lowlands, Scotland and Niigata, Japan that have been double distilled in pot stills works well here. This has a copacetic nose of dry spices, pepper, sandy seashells, and Whoppers, but it's the comforting, warming flavors—applesauce, cream, malted chocolate-chip cookies, cinnamon, brown sugar, and spiced gingerbread—that really unmask its full potential. —Jonny McCormick





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### M&H Apex Collection Cognac Cask

89 points, 59.4%,

Price \$100



Head distiller Tomer Goren took parcels of bourbon and shaved, toasted, and re-charred (STR) cask whisky and finished them in French Limousin oak cognac casks, delivering a nose of chocolate brownie, mixed baking fruit, and pepper. The palate delivers vanilla essence, malty sweetness, and butterscotch, with young green fruits, toffee, and honeycomb, then concludes with notes of nutmeg and clove just as the mouthfeel develops a luxury and slightly oily texture. —Jonny McCormick

### World Whiskey Society Goalong 5 year old Bourbon

Cask Single Malt

86 points, 40%,

Price \$150



The first Chinese single malt to be exported to the U.S. Toffee apples, butterscotch haystacks, peonies, and orange wedges on the light and sweet nose. More sweetness on the palate, flowers and fruit undergirded by grain: candied rose petals, citrus peel, vanilla Pudding Pop, green banana, and pencil shavings. The texture is velvety but the flavors don't leave much of an impression, with a finish of vanilla and sweet oak that's barely there. (2,884 bottles) —Susannah Skiver Barton