



TASTING BRIEF

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The Distillery

In the mid-1860s James Fleming, a farmer and grain trader, acquired a lease of the Dailuaine distillery at nearby Carron and held it for ten years, making connections in the spirit markets. By the 1871 Census, James had moved to Aberlour and in 1874 established and developed a new branch agency for the North of Scotland Bank. He became a prominent and respected member of the local community; as an elder of the parish church and in several public positions: chairman of the School Board, county councilor, and town Provost.

In death, Fleming left a significant and tangible legacy. Not only in the Distillery he established but he built Aberlour's first public meeting place, The Fleming Hall in 1889 and the Fleming Cottage Hospital providing isolation accommodation to limit the spread of infectious diseases.

In 1945 ownership passed to S. Campbell & Sons Ltd and in 1975 Pernod Ricard acquired Campbell Distilleries, and they joined with Chivas Brothers in 2001 forming a portfolio of 14 single malt distilleries and 1 grain distillery in Scotland, and 2 gin distilleries in England. In 2002 a new modernized visitor center was opened for public visits and tours. In 2014, over 3.5 million bottles of Aberlour were sold.



The 12 Year

Region Speyside

ABV 40%

Price \$48.32

Cask Sherry

About the Bottle

The 12 year-old expression is a fine example of how the distinctively crisp, citrus character of Aberlour's new distillate is deftly softened by double cask maturation. Traditional Oak and seasoned Sherry butts are both used to great effect, as the mellowed spirits within are combined to deliver a subtly balanced flavour.

Distillery Tasting Notes

Nose Soft and rounded with fruity notes of red apple

Taste A fine Sherried character, fruity aromas balanced with rich chocolate

Finish Warm and lingering. Sweet and spicy





Casg Annamh Batch #7 Whisky

Region Speyside

ABV 48%

Price \$72.52

Cask European Oak
Sherry, Spanish Oak
Sherry and American
Oak

About the Bottle

The Casg Annamh is a Single Malt which has been matured in three different types of cask: European Oak Sherry Cask and two different types of American Oak. The Spanish oak Oloroso Sherry casks have a significant influence on the non-chill filtered liquid and perfectly compliment Aberlour's distillate flavour, bringing sweet and rich notes.

Distillery Tasting Notes

Nose Rich and sweet with fruity notes of tangy orange, glazed cherries, raisins and a hint of ginger.

Taste Sweet and fruity flavours of apple and cinnamon crumble and ripe peaches balanced with spicy notes of liquorice and cloves.

Finish Long and rich. Fruity with a touch of dry spice.





Double Sherry Cask Batch #001 18 year

Region Speyside

ABV 43%

Price \$205.58

Cask Pedro Ximenez
& Oloroso Sherry

About the Bottle

This 18 year old single malt from Aberlour has been fully finished in specially selected Pedro Ximenez and Oloroso sherry casks. This is a whisky with complex flavours and lasting sweetness. Described as the mature, deep, spicy one: a deeper Sherry influence adds more spiciness and a liquorice tang. Greater age adds body and develops the distinctive fruitiness to a rich raisin character.

Distillery Tasting Notes

- Nose** Rich and complex notes of toffee and butterscotch combine with ripe peach and bitter orange
- Taste** Perfect structure. Initial notes of soft apricot and cream are offset by developing flavours of blackcurrant jam and sweet oak with a touch of honey
- Finish** Very long and balanced, progresses from crème brûlée to a gentle oak flourish





A'Bunadh

Cask Strength

Region Speyside

ABV 60%

Price \$91.99

Cask Spanish Oloroso
Sherry

About the Bottle

Meaning 'the original' in Gaelic, A'bunadh is made in homage to Aberlour's founder, James Fleming. A'bunadh is a Whisky hand-made from start to finish with each batch being created to ensure a rich and complex flavour of moist raisin, and homemade fruit cake. It is bottled at cask strength resulting in a robust and deeply intense, sherried Whisky.

Distillery Tasting Notes

Nose Aromas of mixed spices, praline and spiced orange harmonising with rich, deep notes of Oloroso sherry.

Taste Orange, black cherries, dried fruit and ginger spiked with dark bitter chocolate and enriched with Sherry and Oak. Full bodied and creamy.

Finish Robust and intense with bitter-sweet notes of exotic spices, dark chocolate and oats.

