

GORDON & MACPHAIL

SPEYMALT

FROM MACALLAN DISTILLERY 1970 43%

Gordon & MacPhail bottles a series of single malt whiskies from one of the world's most famous distilleries – Macallan. Established in 1824 the distillery overlooks some of the finest fishing beats on the River Spey.

There has probably been whisky made on the Macallan site, a small hill overlooking the Spey near Craigellachie, since the late 1700's. The first licensed distillation at Macallan is said to have taken place in the earliest days of legalised production, in 1824. The distillery changed hands several times throughout the 19th century and in 1894 was bought by Elgin merchant, Roderick Kemp (who also owned Talisker on Skye).

Due to demand for Macallan the distillery has been modernised and extended over the years. In the 1950's the output was trebled and further increased in the 1960's.

INFORMATION

Region: Speyside.
Craigellachie.
Founded: 1894.
Water Source: Ringorm Burn.
Owner: Highland Distillers Ltd.
Status: Operational.



TASTING NOTE

Colour: Light mahogany.

WITHOUT WATER:

Nose: Initial burst of sherry sweetness, with subtle rum and raisin notes. Some marzipan and almonds with a hint of vanilla lingering. Some subtle bees wax polish and a touch of charred oak develop.

Palate: Sweet and Sherried, with Christmas cake influences and some hints of warm festive spices. Followed by some dark chocolate with a burst of citrus peel.

WITH WATER:

Nose: Fresh, with some pronounced sweet Sherry notes, hints of stewed fruits and a mulled wine edge. Some delicate vanilla and hints of cream fudge emerges.

Palate: Burst of Sherry, with a delicate stewed plum edge, creamy and smooth with a defined hint of dark chocolate lingering. A very delicate touch of ash lingers.

Body: Full.

Finish: Long and very smooth.

Cask Type(s): First Fill Sherry butts

Whisky Style: Robust - yet stylish Speysider.



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