



# Whisky Auctioneer

## The Demeter Collection Auction Lots

### **Aberfeldy 40 Year Old**

40 Years Old

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

Single Cask #5030

American oak ex-bourbon hogshead

47.3% abv

70cl

Woman behind the whisky: Stephanie Macleod, master blender, Dewars

Signed by Stephanie Macleod, oldest whisky from Aberfeldy. The winning bidder will also receive a VIP invitation to visit the distillery and experience an exclusive private tasting with Stephanie Macleod.

### **Arbikie Farm Experience + Hand-filled Rye Whisky**

Arbikie Distillery

Women behind the whisky: Kirsty Black, distillery manager, Arbikie

An exclusive 2-night stay experience at Arbikie Farm and Distillery including a personalised whisky tour hosted by Kirsty Black and a hand-filled Rye whisky bottle.

### **Ardbeg Twenty**

Islay Single Malt Scotch Whisky

20 Years Old

50.2% (cask strength)

70cl

1 of 1

Woman behind the whisky: Gillian Macdonald, master blender and head of whisky creation, The Glenmorangie Company

Created as an older homemade to Uigeadail, this 1 of 1 bottling is the first whisky to have Gillian's name on the bottle. Ardbeg Twenty has been matured in a combination of first-fill ex-oloroso and ex-Bourbon casks – the same types used to mature Uigeadail.

### **Atonia's Legacy: The Sarah Burgess Edition**

Blended Malt Scotch Whisky

NAS

70cl

Women behind the whisky: Sarah Burgess, whisky maker, The Lakes Distillery

Atonia's Legacy is a series of unique whiskies created especially for the Demeter Collection. Atonia, meaning 'strong as an oak', is made to signify the strength, resilience, endurance, wisdom and growth of the mentees participating in the OurWhisky Foundation's mentorship programme.

Each expression in this series features whiskies selected by mentees, which are then expertly blended by a different female master blender. This inaugural expression is named for Sarah Burgess, whisky maker at The Lakes and long-running mentor on the OurWhisky Foundation programme.

This blend, presented in a bespoke decanter and case designed by Glencairn, is one of a kind and never to be repeated.

### **Cooper King Cask No. 1: Inaugural Release**

Single Malt English Whisky

Founders' Series, Autumn 2023

Bottle No. 173 of 173

NAS (see full product details [here](#))

46.5% abv

50cl

Woman behind the whisky: Abbie Jaume, co-founder and head distiller, Cooper King Distillery

The only bottle from Cask #1 to be made available to non-founding members. Distilled in 2019, the whisky was matured in a Tasmanian Apera cask (Cask No. 1) and finished in a Pedro Ximénez Sherry cask.

### **Cotswolds Distillery One of One**

Single Malt English Whisky

NAS

50.7%

70cl

Women behind the whisky: Alice Pearson, Sarah MacLellan, Zoe Rutherford, Robyn Butler

One of one. Commemorative bottling of female involvement at Cotswolds. Contains some of the distillery's earliest liquid.

### **CRN57**

Blended Malt Scotch Whisky

Gordon & MacPhail

57 Years Old

51% abv

70cl

Women behind the whisky: Mhairi Winters, distillery manager, The Cairn Distillery & Lizzie Haw, spirit quality manager, Gordon & MacPhail

One of one. Made bespoke for The Demeter Collection. A 57 Year Old blended malt created by The Cairn distillery manager, Mhairi Winters, and spirit quality manager, Lizzie Haw. The whisky is a combination of three classic Speyside malts matured in first- and refill Sherry casks.

### **House of Hazelwood: The Long View**

Blended Scotch Whisky

31 Year Old

49.2% abv

70cl

Women behind the whisky: Janet Sheed Roberts and Kirsten Meikle-Grant, Grant family members, and Eilidh Muir, blender, William Grant & Sons

Drawing on stock built up over the generations, this unique blend celebrates the work of three remarkable women at the heart of the House of Hazelwood story – Janet Sheed Roberts, Eilidh Muir and Kirsten Grant-Meikle.

For this unique bottling, blender Eilidh Muir selected a base of maturing stocks used to create the Hazelwood Centennial blend released in honour of Janet Sheed Roberts' 100th birthday in 2001. To the original blend, a parcel of which had been recasked to continue to mature over time, Eilidh added two further parcels of aged grain whisky, one matured entirely in ex-Bourbon barrels and the other in ex-Sherry butts.

### **JJ Corry x Tipperary: The Founders Bottles #1**

Vatted Malt Irish Whiskey

NAS

2x 70cl

JJ Corry: The Founders (46% abv)

Tipperary: The Founders (46% abv)

Women behind the whisky: Louise McGuane, founder of JJ Corry, and Jennifer Nickerson, founder of Tipperary Distillery

The first official Irish vatted malt; bottles #1. This is a different recipe for bottles #1 to the rest of the limited edition line being released by the two companies to mark International Women's Day 2024. Their release marks the very first collaboration between female-founded Irish whiskey companies.

### **Laphroaig 25 Year Old: Bessie Williamson**

Laphroaig Distillery

Islay Single Malt Scotch Whisky

25 Years Old

43% abv

Women behind the whisky: Bessie Williamson, former distillery manager

The Bessie Williamson Story is a limited-edition 25-year-old whisky from Laphroaig distillery, which celebrates the life of the distillery's first female manager. The 25-year-old whisky is presented in a beautifully crafted book with tasting notes and message from former distillery manager, John Campbell. Originally launched as a global travel retail exclusive in 2019, this edition is now highly coveted by collectors.

This lot also includes a VIP tour of Laphroaig distillery and Bessie Williamson-inspired tasting for two, plus accommodation for one night. Subject to availability.

### **Loch Lomond Sonata Collection**

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

A study of peat across three remarkable 30-year-old expressions, presented in a bespoke case.

Woman behind the liquid: Ashley Smith, whisky blender, Loch Lomond Group

Personally selected by Loch Lomond Group whisky blender, Ashley Smith exclusively for the OurWhisky Foundation auction, 'Sonata' presents a single bottle from three remarkably aged single casks. Sonata is in essence a study of peat with each bottle representing a snapshot of the style of whisky produced on Loch Lomond's straight neck stills.

### **Nc'nean Aon 17-302**

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

Single Cask ex-Oloroso Sherry Butt

6 Years Old

57.1% abv

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70cl

Women behind the whisky: Annabel Thomas, founder, Nc'nean Distillery

The first Aon Sherry cask release from Nc'nean, which was distilled in the first few months of distillery operation. One of one and signed by Annabel.

### **SMWS Christmas on the Beach**

International Women's Day Special Release

Scotch Malt Whisky Society

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

Distillery code: 44.179

2005 vintage

18 Year Old

58.3%

70cl

Women behind the whisky: The SMWS all-female tasting panel

This limited edition, one-of-a-kind whisky is part of a global collection of five whiskies that will be exclusively released to SMWS members on International Women's day 2024 (with a percentage of profits donated to the OurWhisky Foundation). Each of the whiskies in this collection were carefully selected by an all female Tasting Panel during IWD 2023. Our 5 judges hailed from 5 different countries and are fully qualified and experienced SMWS panellists.

### **Strathearn Single Malt Scotch Whisky**

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

Douglas Laing & Co.

NAS, non-chill-filtered

50%

70cl

Women behind the whisky: Cara Laing, managing director of Douglas Laing & Co. and Angela Brown, head distiller of Strathearn distillery

Made bespoke for Demeter, one of one, this is the first Strathearn bottled under Douglas Laing's brand and is a marriage of inherited Strathearn stocks and some of the first spirit produced at the distillery under Douglas Laing. Matured in a combination of ex-Bourbon, virgin American oak and ex-Sherry casks.

### **The Borders Distillery IWD Quarter Cask**

For the Demeter Collection Auction, Caitlin, Catherine, Cerys, Kirsty, Paige and Robyn from The Borders Distillery have chosen to fill a single quarter cask on International Women's Day, Friday the 8th of March 2024, with the distillery's award winning new make spirit.

### **The Dalmore 44 Years Old**

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

1979 Vintage

Port, red wine and apostles cask finishes

43.8%

70cl

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Women behind the whisky: Margaret Nicol, blend controller, Whyte & Mackay

This is a unique commemorative bottling to celebrate Margaret's 50th anniversary in the industry. A 1979 vintage, 44-year old Dalmore matured in Port, Red Wine and Sherry casks. The only bottle available for sale. The second is held for the maker, Margaret Nicol, to mark her 50 years in the industry.

### **The GlenDronach 30 Year Old Single Cask**

Single Malt Scotch Whisky

The GlenDronach Distillery

Oloroso Sherry butt, cask #2463

1993 Vintage

30 Years Old

55.5% abv

70cl

Women behind the whisky: Rachel Barrie, master blender, The GlenDronach

Hand selected and signed by Rachel Barrie. Exclusively available as a handfill at the distillery in 2023, no longer available to purchase.

### **Wire Works Love, Sweat & Tears**

Single Malt English Whisky

White Peak Distillery

NAS

61.8% abv (Cask Strength)

70cl

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Women behind the whisky: Claire Vaughan, co-founder, White Peak Distillery

Love, Sweat & Tears is the first bottle from the first cask to be filled at Derbyshire's White Peak distillery in May 2018 - created using a combination of English unpeated and peated malted barley.