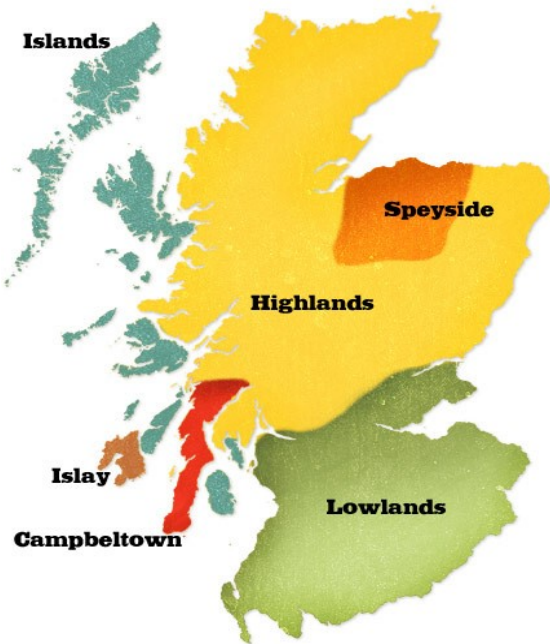


## REGIONS OF WHISKY

### TASTE BEGINS AT HOME or close to.....

In the case of Whisky production perhaps not home but at the source! When whisky was first produced the ingredients and methods were all mostly local, due to the lack of transport option



### AMERICAN BOURBON

Requires that the mash bill be 51% Corn, distilled to at least 80 Proof (40% alcohol) and matured in Charred New American Oak Barrel, if the whiskey meets these requirements and stays in a barrel for at least 2 years then it may use the term Straight in its description!

## TASTING METHOD

Using this method, look for three distinct sets of flavors or tastes in your whisky

### 1st AROMA / NOSE

\* Breathe over your glass with mouth & nose open to allow as much air as possible to reach your olfactory nerves!

Swallow the air, and then slowly exhale, let your mind wander while deciding on the flavors you taste.

### 2nd PALETTE / TASTE

\* Take a sip to your mouth, swirl & “chew” as you coat the inside surfaces of your mouth, again breathe through, swallow and exhale, again decide on tastes, flavors & textures.

### 3rd DILUTE & RE-TASTE

\* Take the straw in your water glass and put your finger over the top, transport the water to your whiskey glass and drop in. The addition of a drop of water is known as “cracking” the spirit. This allows molecular bonds to break, freeing up a new range of aromas + flavors to be tasted & noted!

Remember that it is different whether Tasting, or Drinking with friends.

## WHISKEY TASTING ON FAT TUESDAY—2019 Trinity Hall Irish Pub Dallas ~ Texas



### REGIONAL TASTES (Ireland/Scotland)

- **IRISH:** Fruits, no smoke or peat, has not been developed as much
- **PEAT?** Readily available heat source at the seashores & islands, noticeable in Scotch whiskies
- **WATER** Speyside water brings out sweetness, while Islay water brings out Islay-specific flavor notes like peat, smoke, iodine, brine
- **GRAIN:** Drying by the sea involved peat smoking, whereas up on the mountains, not so smoky!
- **BARRELS:** Breathing while resting absorbs local environment!

**WEST CORK**  
**IRISH BLEND ExBourbon**

West Cork Irish Whiskey – Bourbon cask (40% abv/80 proof) – is a blended Irish whiskey containing 75% grain Irish whiskey & 25% malt Irish whiskey. Patiently matured in first fill bourbon casks to deliver a smooth, subtle and quintessential Irish whiskey.

**Colour:** Light oak

**Aroma:** Malt, slight citrus, cracked pepper

**Taste:** Malt, lingering sweetness, citrus, apple and nutmeg

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**GLENMORANGIE QUINTA 12YR**  
**HIGHLAND MALT ~ ExPort Pipe**

**Nose:** Full of winter berries and a touch of port. A good oak and a little cereal hanging in the substratum.

**Palate:** Sweet and thick. The port note is chewy and rich with notes of barley sugar and cereal and lots of juicy fruit and berries, a tad cloying.

**Finish:** Long and fruity and quite sweet.

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**JOHNNIE WALKER BLACK 12 YR**  
**SCOTTISH BLEND**

**NOSE**

Take in the luxurious scent of rich and tropical dark fruits, hints of sweet vanilla.

**PALATE**

maturation in oak casks, with creamy toffee notes that come from grain whiskies.

**FINISH**

Delivers a smooth and warming smoke finish, characteristic of all Johnnie Walker whiskies.

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**RED BREAST 12 YR ~ Ex Sherry**  
**IRISH SINGLE POT STILL**

Redbreast is a beautifully balanced single pot still Irish whiskey, with a warm, generous texture, rich, sweet flavours and a spicy kick. In the view of many connoisseurs, the finest Irish whiskey available.

**Nose:** Nutty, rich and oily, dried peels, ginger, linseed and cut fruits including a touch of melon.

**Palate:** Spicy with great body. Nuts and citrus (peel and juice) with hints of marzipan, dried fruits and a hint of Sherry. your mouth forever.

**Finish:** Long and creamy with custard & spice.

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**BLACK SADDLE BOURBON 12 YR**  
**KENTUCKY BOURBON**

Black Saddle 12 Year Old Straight Bourbon Whiskey is a Kentucky straight bourbon was matured for at least 12 years in charred, American oak casks before being bottled at 90 proof. As a result of this maturation process, the bourbon has a rich amber color along with an aroma of spicy nougat, creme brulee and hard candy that gives way to notes of pepper spices, toasted cinnamon, and hints of vanilla.

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**LAGAVULIN 16 YEAR**  
**ISLAY SINGLE MALT**

**Nose:** One of the smokiest noses from Islay. It's big, very, very concentrated, full of iodine, sweet spices, good, mature Sherry and creamy vanilla. Stunning.

**Palate:** Very thick + rich. Massive mouthful of malt & Sherry with good fruity sweetness, but also a wonderful sweetness. Powerful peat

**Finish:** Long, spicy finish, figs, dates, peat smoke, vanilla.

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