





SHSWS

Please make sure you're not bumping into anyone tonight

Please be aware of the Scotch strength...



"Pull over and let me drive — you're too drunk to hit anyone."

Make sure you have a safe ride

Designated Drivers, Taxis and Limos are always the safe bet . . .

If you have transportation needs please discuss with one of the Directors.



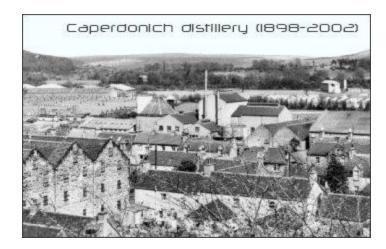
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Caperdonich — Formerly known as Glen Grant 2

- Closed distillery since 2002.
- Expensive, Rare bottling
- Multiple award winner.
 - SanFran World Spirit Competition Gold '19
 - Ultimate Spirit Challenge Finalist '19
 - Awarded a 96 Point rating 2019

Available tonight as our Premium Vault



Tasting #1 – Caperdonich, 26 yr. "Princes Street Gardens in summer" SMWSA Bottle 38.24 Premium Vault - \$20

Nose: The nose takes you to Princes Street Gardens in the summer – grass, roses, flower beds, ice-cream vans and pastry wagons laden with donuts, Danishes and churros; also perfumed sweets (sherbet straws, blackcurrant, lemon, apple).

Palate: The palate is delicious – tropical fruits (custard apple, monstera, Charentais melon), vanilla slices and dark chocolate digestive biscuits – all balanced by subtle back-tastes of wood and clean leather.

Diluted: The reduced nose is even fresher, with a dominant flavour of perfumed pear. The palate has that je ne sais quoi of age – oak, putty, Gewurtztraminer and Hoegaarden against the marshmallow, coconut, cocoa and biscuit of luxury Rocky Road.

Caperdonich – Northern Spey Closed Distillery

Cask: Refill barrel Age: 26 years Date distilled: June 1992

Alcohol: 51.2% USA allocation: 90 bottles

While you're tasting . . .

San Francisco World Spirits Competition





BLIND TASTING

Ensuring equal consideration

Throughout <u>four</u> days of highly controlled <u>blind tastings</u>, our experienced judging panels taste every product to decide if it is medal-worthy. Judges do not receive any information on producer or price point, ensuring each spirit is judged fairly, equally, and without bias.



MEDALING ROUND

Judging each entry on its own merit

While tasting, judges <u>evaluate each product on an individual basis</u>—not compared to other entries in the flight. During this stage, judges determine which entries are worthy of a Gold, Silver, or Bronze medal. Entries that receive a Gold medal from all judges on a panel earn a Double Gold award.



PREMIUM AWARDS

Recognizing the best of the best

On the final day of the Competition, select Double Gold spirits advance to the Sweepstakes round. Here, all Competition judges deliberate to determine the Best of Class and Best in Show Premium Award winners.







About Ultimate Beverage Challenge - World's Best Spirits and Wine Competition

Ultimate Beverage Challenge's mission is to create and establish a new and **higher standard of evaluation** for spirits and wine that provides accurate, meaningful and useful results in recognizing and promoting the quality of beverage alcohol products. It accomplishes this by the integrity of its people and approach, its innovative and **exacting methodology**, and through the **credibility of its results**.

Integrity is the cornerstone of Ultimate Beverage Challenge's beverage competitions. **Winning hard-won accolades and relevant scores** awarded by the most respected and experienced authorities in the industry translate into benefits of marketing opportunities for producers, importers and marketers and confidence from buyers and consumers that the results achieved are accurate and reliable.

Ultimate Beverage Challenge's methodology raises the standard for competitive beverage evaluation by instituting more rigorous judging. Each product is reviewed under ideal tasting conditions over a period of time that allows the product to express its best characteristics. Each product is **evaluated blind by panels in multi-stages assessments to remove any inherent or individual bias**.

Results of Ultimate Beverage Challenge's competitions are the most credible and relevant in the industry. The highest rated products are deemed the best by their competitive performance among their peers in each product category. Citations of excellence: Chairman's Trophy, Finalist, and Great Value awarded at Ultimate Beverage Challenge competitions have genuine meaning and authenticity because **these products have earned their way to the top**. Trade buyers and consumers recognize and respond to the value of Ultimate Beverage Challenge accolades and scores.

Ultimate Beverage Challenge is the definitive spirits evaluation company today. Its two world-class competitions *Ultimate Spirits Challenge* and *Ultimate Wine Challenge* provide unparalleled value, offering results that are reliable and easily understandable in today's marketplace, creating opportunities for the industry, and **establishing the platinum standard that defines what beverage evaluation** should be.



Gaperdonich Glen Grant 2

Name: Caperdonich (Pronounced: CAP-per-DON-nik)

Region: Speyside (Rothes), Glen Grant

Founded: 1898

Status: Closed - Mothballed (in 2002)

Water Supply: Caperdonich Burn

Equipment: 2 Wash stills, 2 Spirit stills

Production capacity: None - Caperdonich was mothballed in 2002 **Ownership**: Pernod Ricard > Chivas Group (since 1989)

- Caperdonich distillery started its life in 1898 under the (relatively uninspiring) name 'Glen Grant #2'.
- Seagram's used the malt whisky that was produced at Caperdonich distillery mainly for their <u>blended whiskies</u> like Passport, Chivas Regal, and Queen Anne. As a result, there are no <u>official bottlings of Caperdonich</u>. Caperdonich was a key component in some Chivas Regal blends just like the <u>Strathisla</u> malt whisky





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Tasting Two when ready . . .





Tasting #2 – Glen Grant, 22 yr. "Heavy weight cake" SMWSA Bottle 9.158

DEEP, RICH & DRIED FRUITS

Nose: From the outset we were entwined in a sticky concoction of dried orange skin, treacle and cherries. Spiced cake mix delivered cinnamon, nutmeg and mace with runny honey, chocolate fudge and tinned fruit cocktail. The viscous texture of linseed oil guided us towards rye whiskey with caramelised parsnips and burnt toffee closely followed by the sweet fragrance of fuchsia. **Palate**: The palate continued as it began with chewy and rich fruit intermingling with chilli and ginger. Dates, prunes and figs introduced madeira cake and milk chocolate whilst the finish stood firmly in charred wood.

Comments: After spending 20 years in an ex-bourbon hogshead this was transferred into a 1st fill oloroso hogshead for the remainder of its maturation.

Glen Grant – Northern Spey

Cask: First-fill Oloroso hogshead

ABV: 59.2%

SMWSA: Whisky Extravaganza tour bottle

Age: 22 years Date distilled: April 1996

USA allocation: 84 bottles

While you're tasting . . .

SHSWS



SMWSA Extravaganza Tour Scotch

Ben Diedrich from the Scotch Malt Whisky Society visited our SHSWS bar on May 3rd. He commented on the excellent value that members of our Club enjoy.

Ben was in town for the Whisky Extravaganza held at Lowes Hotel in downtown Minneapolis. SHSWS member Tim Kenny attended this event.
Ben's Society bottle of choice for the "Extravaganza" was #9.158, Glen Grant 22 year old.

We tasted this bottle at the Club bar and were so impressed, we are now including it in our Sept. tasting.







Name:

Region: Founded:

Status:

Equipment:

Production capacity:

Ownership:

Glen Grant

Rothes Speyside

1840

Active

4 Wash, 4 Spirit

• 5,900,000 Litres

Campari

- The people of the **Glen Grant** distillery are so proud of the fact that their distillery was founded in 1840 that they put it on all their bottles well, at least all their official releases.
- Glen Grant has actually been the third largest malt whisky producer in Scotland for a long time, right after <u>Glenfiddich</u> and <u>Macallan</u> and (just) ahead of Glenlivet.



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Tasting #3 – Glenlossie, 23 yr. "A two way street" SMWSA Bottle 46.45

SPICY & SWEET

Colour: Gamboge gold

Nose: We found engaging **toffee**, **brown sugar**, **banana split** and vanilla sponge sweetness on the nose – and **something of the earth** (eucalyptus forest floor?); then it brightened up – ginger snaps, **pineapple and fruit salad chews**.

Palate: The palate was a two-way street, with toffee, honey Lockets and Ricicles sweetening up one carriageway, while the other had tingling clove spice, stewed rhubarb with ginger and oaky tannins, which left a warm glow on the finish.

Diluted: The reduced nose had **cola-flavoured jelly beans**, candle wax and old books.

Diluted: The palate now gave us **iced ginger cake** and oak with a mere smear of **dark honey**.

Drinking tip: Something to warm you, coming in from the cold.

Glenlossie – Speyside, Lossie Cask: Refill hogshead Age: 23 years

ABV: 52.7% USA allocation: 96 bottles While you're tasting . . .



Name:
Region:
Founded:
• Glenlossie
• Speyside
• 1876
• Active

Equipment: • 3 Wash, 3 Spirit **Production capacity:** • 1,100,000 Litres

Ownership: • Diageo





Glenlossie:

- Both the wash and spirit stills are pear shaped, with wide spherical lids, and gradually narrowing tall, concial necks.
- The spirit stills use a <u>'purifier'</u> between the lyne arms and the condensers. This purifier acts as a <u>mini-condenser</u>, which returns some of the alcohol vapors back to the pot to be re-distilled. The action of 'purifiers' <u>increases the</u> amount of reflux within the stills, which results in a lighter, more delicate whisky.



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Tonight Featuring:

Glen Scotia, Double Cask - PX

Glen Scotia, 15 year

Glen Scotia 11 year old – Gold Medal winner

Society bottle 93.97

While each group is in the tasting room, the rest of us will be enjoying the open SHSWS bar.

Tasting #4 – Glen Scotia "Full Metal Hospital" Speyside, Bottle 93.97

LIGHTLY PEATED

IBC 2018 GOLD MEDAL Winner from Campbeltown Limit of 2 bottles per member







The Independent Bottlers challenge is the annual selection of the very best independent bottlers. Recent releases are tasted from this select group of private whisky businesses to establish the finest in each region.





While Group One is in the Tasting Room we will have an open bar, until it is time for Group Two to go.

Rich Howard Tasting Room Groups 1 & 2



As each group leaves let's go to "open bar"







Tasting #4 – Glen Scotia "Full Metal Hospital" Speyside, Bottle 93.97

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LIGHTLY PEATED

Nose: We found this one to be astonishingly medicinal. Pure notes of bandage, embrocations, gauze, hospital corridors, old style Dettol antiseptic, iodine and steely Fois Gras notes as well.

Diluted Nose: With water it was still hugely medical but also showed notes of crushed sea salt, cider brandy, a fatty, visceral sweetness and horseradish. Also salt and vinegar crisps, pickled onions and some raw, earthy farmyard complexities.

Palate: The mouth was huge and emphatic with tar liqueur, lashings of more medicine, peat oils, metal polish, rust, green peppercorns in brine and a fisherman's oilskins.

Diluted Palate: Reduction brought lemon curd, WD40, smoked pears, paprika, some dusty phenols, burning beach wood and a lungful of boiler smoke.

Comments: Amazing!

Glen Scotia: Campbeltown Cask: First-fill barrel Age: 11 years

Date distilled: March 2007 Alcohol: 58.8% USA allocation: 72 bottles

While you're tasting – Here's the Distillery Info . . .



Rich Howard Tasting Room Notes

1. Glen Scotia – Double Cask - PX

Tasting Note by Glen Scotia

Our Master Blender hand picks every cask and finishes the precious whisky in 1st fill Bourbon barrels, and then finishes this outstanding single malt in Pedro Ximenez sherry casks. This provides the perfect balance of rich spicy fruits overlaid with characteristic sea spray and vanilla oak finish.

ABV 46.0%

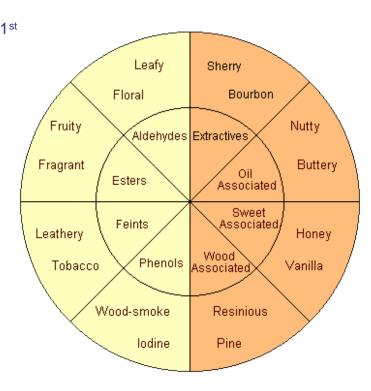
2. Glen Scotia, 15 Year

Tasting Note by The Chaps at Master of Malt

- •Nose: Lots of rich fruit here apricot jam, satsuma segments and apple pie. Wafts of sea breeze and baking spices develop after a minute.
- •Palate: Vanilla and fruit, with ginger and cinnamon bring a subtle dryness to it.
- •Finish: Quite long with continuing spice.

3.Glen Scotia Society Bottle # 93.97, 11 Year Old Gold Medal winner

See separate Tasting Notes (attached).





The End

The Next Tastings is: Dec. 2019

Woody		Cereal	
Resinous, cigar boxes, sandalwood, ginger, pepper, allspice, nutmeg	NEW WOOD	Porridge, draff, weetabix, cooked maize, hen's mash	Cooked Mash
Musty, bung cloth, cardboard, cellars, pencils cork, ink, metallic, camphor	OLD WOOD	mashed potato, potato scones, sweetcom, cooked swede	Cooked Veg
Custard, creme caramel, meringues, sponge madeira cake, toffee	VANILLA	maled milk, horlicks, marmite, bran, cattle, cake	Malt Extract
rice pudding, burnt toast, coffee grounds, fennel,	TOASTED	caff-like, dried hops, mousey, pot, ale, iron tonic	Husky
aniseed, ilquorice		boiled pork, pork sausages, meaty, gravy, garlloch	Yeasty
Feinty		Floral	
plastic mac, plastic bucket, plastic rope, oilskin, scorched plastic	Plastie	perfume, fabric softener, barber's shop, carnation coconut, lavender	Fragrant
buttermilk, cheese, yeast, sickly, old gym shoes shoe polish	Sweaty	geraniums, green tomatoes, parmaviolets, florists' shop	Green-house
dried tea, tea pots, fresh tobacco, green tobacco, tobacco ash	Tobacco	green leaves, lawn clippings, green sticks, pea pods fir trees, pine nuts	Leafy
leather upholstery, libraries, new cowhide, mealy digestive biscuits	Leathery	mown hay, dry hay, barns, heather flowers, herbal,	Hay-like
honey, mead, beeswax, polish	Honey	318.1	
Winey		Fruity	
Chardonnay, saunternes, fino, oloroso, armagnae,	Sherried	Oranges, tangerines, zest, kiwi, nectarines love hearts, lemon, lime	Citric
Walnuts, hazel nuts, pralines, almonds, marzipan	Nutty	Apples, pears, pear drops, peaches, apricots fruit salad, soft fruit	Fresh Fruit
Cream, butter, milk chocolate, cocoa, bitter chocolate	Chocolate	Stewed apples, marmalade, jam, barley sugar candied fruits, rum toft	Cooked Fruit
linseed oil, candlewas, suntan oil, almond oil	Oily	raisins, figs, apricots, prunes, mixed peel, fruit cake minced pies	Dried Fruit
		nail varnish remover, bubble gum., acid drops, paint	Solvent
Peaty		Sulphur	
creosote, TCP, iodine, carbolic, hospitals, lint, tar, diesels oil, sea-weed	medicinal	Brackish, cabbage water, turnips, stagnant, marsh gas	Vegitative
Lapsang Suchong, incense, peat-reek, bonfires, burnt sticks	smokey	Carbide, cordite, spend fireworks, spent matches, matchbox	Coal-gas
sea-shells, dried shellfish, smoked oysters, smoked salmon, anchovies	keppery	pencil eraser, new rubber tires, bakelite, electric cables burnt rubber	Rubbery

mossy

moss water, birchy, bog myrtle, earthy, turf, hemp ropes, fishing nets Sandy

Fresh Laundry, starch, linen, sandy beach, hot sand elemental sulphur

SHSWS

SHSWS Club Value

SMWS Bottle pricing (see below) has experienced recent inflation due to worldwide demand and popularity of Scotch. Dram pricing of popular Scotches has also risen. Examples:

- Macallan 25 year \$250/ dram
- Ledaig 19 year \$50/ dram
- Glenmorangie \$53/ dram
- Glenlivet 25 \$70/ dram



The examples shown are not even single cask or cask strength. The bottles we purchase and those shown below are rare and would price out well above these examples in most Scotch Bars.

The bottom line . . . Our unique Club is one of the best values out there, even if you only made it to one of the tastings.



Bladnoch \$360