

Kingston Single Malt Society

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A social club for the appreciation of Single Malt Whisky since 1998

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COST OF THE MALTS

- **THE GLENLIVET CIPHER** LCBO 476671 | 750 mL bottle
Price **\$199.90** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey 48.0% Alcohol/Vol.
- **LAPHROAIG CAIRDEAS 2016 MADEIRA CASK**
VINTAGES 620211 | 750 mL bottle Price **\$145.00** Spirits,
Whisky/Whiskey, Single Malt Scotch 51.6% Alcohol/Vol.
- **GLEN MORAY 12 YEAR OLD SINGLE MALT SCOTCH** LCBO
453951 | 750 mL bottle Price **\$55.95** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey,
Scotch Single Malts 40.0% Alcohol/Vol.
- **STRONACHIE 10 YEAR OLD HIGHLAND SINGLE MALT**
WHISKY LCBO 458307 | 700 mL bottle Price **\$83.50** Spirits,
Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts 43.0% Alcohol/Vol.
- **2006 SIGNATORY GLENLIVET 8 YEAR OLD (Matured**
in: 1st Fill Sherry Butt; Cask No:901038; Distilled
October 17, 2006; Bottled September 1, 2015; Bottles
#166 & 179) CASK STRENGTH LCBO 938115 | 750 mL
bottle, Price: **\$79.99**, Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch
Single Malts 64.6% Alcohol/Vol.
- **GLENMORANGIE MILSEAN PRIVATE EDITION**
SINGLE MALT SCOTCH VINTAGES 463042 | 750 mL bottle
Price **\$177.95** Spirits, Whisky/Whiskey, Scotch Single Malts
46.0% Alcohol/Vol.

MENU

Welcome Nosing: GLENLIVET CIPHER
(introduced by: Sylvain Bouffard)

1st Nosing: LAPHROAIG CAIRDEAS 2016 MADEIRA CASK
(introduced by: Philip Henderson)

1st Course: Celeriac Bisque,
Mushroom, Roasted Garlic, Thyme Confit

2nd Nosing: GLEN MORAY 12 YEAR OLD
(introduced by: John Creber)

2nd Course: Pear, Apple, Sunchoke, Endives, Walnut,
Barely Blue Cheese, Sherry Vinaigrette

3rd Nosing: GLENMORANGIE MILSEAN
(introduced by: Elsabe Falkson)

4th Nosing: GLENLIVET 8 YEAR OLD
(introduced by: John Leighton)

Choice of Main Course Entree:
Roasted Turkey, Root Vegetables,
Candied Cranberry, Natural Pan Gravy
Or

Filet of Salmon, Squash Puree, Quinoa,
Baby Carrots, Beets, & Brussels

5th Nosing: STRONACHIE 10 YEAR OLD
(introduced by: Mavis Palmer)

Dessert: House-Made Bread Pudding & Vanilla Ice Cream

Upcoming Dinner Dates

- January 23rd, 2017 - Robbie Burns Night - River Mill
- February 13th, 2017 - Highlands / Islands - River Mill
- March 20th, 2017 - 4th Annual Irish Night - River Mill
- April 24th, 2017 - Speyside / Highlands - River Mill
- May 15th, 2017 - Speyside - Benriach Vertical Tasting - River Mill
- June 19th, 2017 - BBQ (Final Exam) - River Mill
- July 17th, 2017 - 6th Annual Bourbon Night - River Mill
- Friday August 11th, 2017 - 10th Annual Premium Night - River Mill
- September 25th, 2017 - Campbeltown / Lowland - River Mill
- October 16th, 2017 - Highlands - River Mill
- November 20st, 2017 - Speyside / Highlands - River Mill
- December 11th, 2017 - Christmas Dinner - River Mill
- January 15th, 2018 - Arran - Robbie Burns - River Mill
- February 19th, 2018 - Highlands / Islands - River Mill
- March 19th, 2018 - 5th Annual St. Patrick's (Irish) - River Mill
- April 16th, 2018 - Speyside/Highlands - River Mill
- May 14th, 2018 - Speyside - Benriach Vertical Tasting - River Mill
- June 18th, 2018 - BBQ (Final Exam) - River Mill

NOVEMBER - KSMS Financial Statement

(Money from 47 November attendees @ \$60)	= \$2820.00
November dinner 47 persons = \$43.00/ea	= \$2021.00
(Money remaining for buying Single Malt)	= \$799.00
Cost of Single Malts:	= \$1084.20
Cost of Pours per Person = \$16.94	
KSMS Monthly operational balance	= (-\$285.20)
Cost per person 26 attendees (All inclusive)	= \$66.07

BIG PEAT UNVEILS ALL ISLAY SCOTCH BOTTLING

6th September, 2016 by Amy Hopkins - <http://www.thespiritsbusiness.com/>

Douglas Laing & Co has released a new Christmas edition of its Big Peat whisky, featuring liquid from all active distilleries on Islay, plus the closed Port Ellen site.

The Big Peat Christmas edition for 2016 is a marriage of whiskies from all of Islay's active distilleries

The Big Peat All Islay Blended Malt Scotch Whisky is bottled at a cask strength of 54.6% abv and without caramel colouring or chill-filtration.

While Big Peat whisky is usually a marriage of liquid from Ardbeg, Bowmore, Caol Ila and Port Ellen, this latest limited edition contains whisky from all of Islay's nine active distilleries.

Its packaging feature the image of 'Big Peat' dressed as Father Christmas with nine stockings hanging across his fireplace – representing the nine distilleries on the island of Islay. "Big Peat's annual Christmas release has become a hotly anticipated bottling by friends of our peaty Ileach fisherman across the globe," said Jenny Rogerson, marketing manager at Douglas Laing & Co.

"We're more excited than ever to reveal this year's limited edition, an undisputedly innovative product in terms of both spirit and packaging."

Just 2,500 the Big Peat Christmas edition for 2016 will be available globally through

whisky specialists from September 2016 at an RRP of £50.00.

Last month, [Douglas Laing & Co launched Big Peat's Edinburgh Edition](#) to coincide with the city's Fringe Festival.



and contemporary approach used to make the Elgin Heritage Collection stand out. However features such as the blue on both the boxes and each of the labels means that the range comfortably fits alongside the rest of its products.

The signature of Graham Coull figures on each of the bottles and boxes, whilst the age variant and product description is clearly featured.

Brand manager Raphaelle Delerue says: "With our Elgin Heritage Collection, we aim to create an accessible slice of luxury that doesn't need to be saved for special occasions - it's there to be savoured and enjoyed. Our whisky encompasses nearly 120 years of expertise honed at our distillery in the heart of Speyside where there's an immense pride in the integrity of the brand."

The range is available to consumers worldwide, with a focus on the UK, US and Australian markets. The Glen Moray Elgin Heritage 12 year old, 40% ABV has an RRP of £35, the 15 year old, also 40% ABV, RRP of £45 and the 18 year old, ABV of 47.2% has a RRP between £65-£70.

18 October 2016 - Sam Coyne *The Drinks Report*, editorial assistant

LAPHROAIG TO PROJECT 'OPINIONS' ONTO DISTILLERY

9th September, 2016 by Annie Hayes - <http://www.thespiritsbusiness.com/>

As part of its #OpinionsWelcome campaign, Laphroaig is set to celebrate the opinions of whisky drinkers from across the globe with a live Twitter projection onto its distillery wall.

Laphroaig is set to project the opinions of whisky drinkers from across the globe onto Warehouse No.1

For one week only, the Big Opinions activation will ask the public to share their opinions of Laphroaig's single malt Scotch whisky – in 140 characters or less.

Whether it's "heavenly golden drops collected in one smokin' bottle" or "as if a merman washed his codpiece in antiseptic and dried it by the fire", the brand aims to celebrate the "wild and wonderful" descriptions of its whisky as part of its wider [#OpinionsWelcome global competition](#).

Big Opinions will be live for one week only, from 11-15 October, projecting "the most outrageous and insightful opinions" onto the 200-year-old iconic white wall of Warehouse No.1

Every opinion will be selected for display by distillery manager, John Campbell, and will be presented alongside the author's Twitter handle.

Those selected to feature in the projection will receive photography and a video of their opinion on the distillery wall.

The activation can be watched live at www.laphroaig.com/opinions.

LAPHROAIG ADDS MADEIRA CASK TO CAIRDEAS RANGE

4th August, 2016 by Amy Hopkins - www.thespiritsbusiness.com

Islay Scotch whisky distillery

Laphroaig has released the 2016 edition in its Cairdeas range, which has undergone a second period of maturation in traditional Madeira wine casks.

Laphroaig Cairdeas Madeira undergoes a second maturation in traditional Madeira casks

Laphroaig Cairdeas Madeira has been fully matured in ex-Bourbon barrels before the second maturation and is bottled at 51.5% abv.

Distillery manager John Campbell creates a new edition in the Cairdeas range each year "in honour of" the Friends of Laphroaig loyalty group, of which there are more than 6000,000 members from across more than 150 countries.

"Laphroaig Cairdeas Madeira is what I like to consider friendship, distilled," said Campbell. "This year's bottling is special because it's so different from our previous releases.

"The ageing of the liquid in Madeira casks makes 2016's Cairdeas exceptionally flavourful and robust, while still maintaining Laphroaig's characteristic peat and smoke. The result is a truly special whisky."

Laphroaig Cairdeas Madeira is now available in limited quantities in the US market at an RRP of US\$74.99.



Glen Moray releases Elgin Heritage range

Bardinet's Glen Moray has released a premium Elgin Heritage range, featuring three single malts, focussing on affordable luxury. A 12 year old, a 15 year old and an 18 year old make-up the collection.

The 12 and 18 year olds have been matured in American oak casks. However the 15 year old brings together two cask styles, that of sherry and American oak.

Master distiller, Graham Coull, whose involvement in the range is celebrated in the bottle design, has watched each of the single malts. The focus of the range is not solely affordable luxury, but also to create products that are clearly originated from Glen Moray and Speyside.

Coull says: "Glen Moray's Elgin Heritage Collection has been carefully matured to create a smooth, sweet character combined with subtle oak flavours. Our unique Speyside climate gently influences these whiskies to produce a well-rounded character and complex finish."

The design of the bottle has been created to capture the essence of Glen Moray. There is an emphasis on quality, with a modern



Last year, Laphroaig, owned by Beam Suntory, released a [new edition in the Cairdeas range](#) that was produced using the distillery's "finest malting floor's malt".

GLENLIVET CREATES 'ULTIMATE WHISKY CHALLENGE'

3rd June, 2016 by Amy Hopkins- www.thespiritsbusiness.com



The Glenlivet has launched a new limited edition that does not offer any cask information or tasting notes, designed to be the "ultimate challenge" for single malt Scotch drinkers.

The Glenlivet Cipher challenges whisky fans to decode its tasting notes

The new release from the Chivas Brothers-owned brand, called The Glenlivet Cipher, also features an opaque black bottle and has been crafted from a unique cask combination never before used by The Glenlivet.

Drinkers are tasked to "decode" its flavour profile as part of an interactive digital experience, testing their noses and palates against master distiller Alan

Winchester.

They are directed to The Glenlivet microsite cipher.theglenlivet.com after following clues on the bottle's label.

Once online, Winchester invites visitors to decipher the tasting notes through a video, challenging them to create a flavour wheel by selecting six aromas for the nose and six flavours for the palate, indicating the strength of each, resulting in more than 10,000 possible flavour combinations.

Once the flavour wheel has been created, users will receive a cipher of their tasting notes and a percentage score that can be shared on social media. Winchester will reveal the official tasting notes of the expression to The Glenlivet Guardians, an online community of "brand advocates", at a later date.

"The rise in the popularity of single malt Scotch whisky over the past 10 years means that more people than ever are actively nosing, tasting and discussing single malt Scotch whisky, which is fantastic," said Winchester.

"It is therefore a great pleasure to introduce The Glenlivet Cipher to the world as it presents a challenge for Scotch whisky fans at all levels.

"For the true whisky connoisseurs out there, we have combined a unique and original selection of casks to craft The Glenlivet Cipher as part of our commitment to building upon the flawlessly smooth and fruity house style of The Glenlivet."

The Glenlivet Cipher has been launched by newly appointed brand director for Chivas Brothers' malts portfolio, Miriam Eceolaza Zabalza.

"I bring with me a deep respect for the value of heritage, provenance and craftsmanship to discerning drinkers around the world from my time at Pernod Ricard Winemakers, and I very much look forward to helping The Glenlivet continue to push the boundaries of flavour exploration and set the standard for the quality and style of Scotch whiskies from the iconic Speyside region," she said.

The Glenlivet Cipher will be available from this month in 25 markets worldwide, including the UK, Taiwan and Canada, at an RRP of US\$120.00.

GREAT INFO FOR WHISKY LOVERS

(Thanks to Walter & Irma Mackenzie)

- The world's most expensive bottle of Scotch whisky is Isabella's Islay (\$6.2 million).

- The oldest Scotch whisky on the market is the Aisla T'Orten 107 years Old, distilled in 1906. It costs \$ 1.43 million

- Glenfiddich is the world's best-selling single malt

- Johnnie Walker Red Label is the world's best-selling Scotch

- The Famous Grouse is the best-selling whisky in Scotland

- Glenmorangie is the best-selling single malt in Scotland.

- The world's fastest growing Scotch today is Black Dog. India is a major contributor to its sales.

- The five most popular single malts globally are Glenfiddich, The Glenlivet, Glenmorangie Original, Aberlour and Laphroaig.

- Bruichladdich's The Octomore is the most heavily peated whisky in the World (167ppm)

- The three oldest single malts currently sold are Glenturret, Oban and Glenlivet

- The oldest distillery in Scotland is Glenturret (1775), followed by Bowmore (1779)

- With each bottle of Laphroaig that you buy, you are entitled to a Lifetime lease of one sq foot of the distillery's land, along with a personalized certificate of ownership

- Cadenhead's Whisky Shop on Canongate, has a unique selling point: Customers can have a bottle poured straight from a cask and labeled with their name. When sealed it has a label with the 'born on date', as whisky stops aging as soon as it leaves the wooden barrel, so each Bottle is a unique blend.

- The highest price paid at an auction for a bottle of Scotch was \$631,850 for a 6-liter The Macallan "M" single malt, in a decanter by Lalique. (The highest price paid at an auction for a standard sized Scotch was \$460,000 for a 64-year-old Macallan malt whisky)

- Edradour is the smallest distillery in Scotland. The entire operation is run by just three people

- The Glenmorangie distillery is one of the smallest in the Highlands And employs just sixteen craftsmen, called 'The Sixteen Men of Tain'

- The most expensive country in which to buy Scotch, ironically, is the UK, where it's made

- In the UK, its home country, the five most popular blended Scotch Whiskies are The Famous Grouse, William Grant's, Bell's, Teacher's and J&B Rare. Note: Johnnie Walker does not feature in the list of Best-selling blends in its home country.

- A closed bottle of Scotch can be kept for 100 years and still be good To drink. After opening, a bottle of Scotch whisky will remain good For five years.

- The Australian Wine Research Institute has introduced a measure called a standard drink. In Australia, a standard drink contains 10 g (12.67 MI) of alcohol, the amount that an average adult male can metabolize in one hour.

- Although their proof differs, standard drinks of beer, wine and spirits contain the same amount of alcohol – 0.6 ounces each. They're all the same to a breathalyzer.

- 18,000 litres of Scotch whisky worth over \$800,000 were accidentally flushed down the drain at Chivas Brothers' Dumbarton bottling plant in 2013.

- Experts advise you to drink single malt with just a dash of water. The water supposedly 'releases the serpent' from the whisky

- If there is a serpent, there is also an angel. As it ages, 2-2.5 % of the whisky maturing in a barrel is lost to evaporation every year. Distillers refer to this as the 'angel's share'.

- There is also a devil. The whisky absorbed by the wood of barrel during maturation is known as the 'devil's cut'

- Some sources claim that the Irish whiskey distillers brought the Irish custom of triple distillation with them to Scotland. Auchentoshan was probably started by Irish settlers, led by the MacBeathas, starting this custom. The source of the name Auchentoshan is Gaelic. It means 'corner of the field'.

- The United States and Ireland spell it as 'whiskey'. A simple way to remember the spelling: if it comes from a country without an 'e' in

its spelling, then it is spelt 'whisky'. (e.g., Scotland, Canada, Japan, India, etc.)

- Indian 'whisky' is technically flavored rum, because it's essentially Made from sugar cane.

Robbie Burns Dinner Fee:	\$70 (member) \$80 (non-member)
June BBQ Dinner Fee:	\$70 (member) \$80 (non-member)

Salted Whiskey Caramels

Source: [Just a Pinch](#)

Ingredients

- 5 Tbsp. butter
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1/4 cup whiskey of your choice
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/4 tsp. kosher salt
- 1 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup corn syrup, light
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 Tbsp. kosher salt, for sprinkling



Instructions

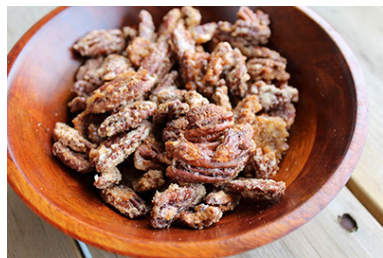
- Line a 9-inch square pan with parchment or wax paper, allowing the paper to drape over the sides; spray lightly with cooking spray.
- In 1-quart saucepan, heat butter, whipping cream, whiskey, vanilla and 1/4 teaspoon salt to a boiling, stirring frequently. Remove from heat; set aside.
- In 3-quart saucepan, mix sugar, corn syrup and water. Heat to boiling over medium-high heat. DO NOT STIR. Boil until sugar turns a warm golden brown.
- When sugar mixture is done, turn off the heat and slowly add the cream mixture to the sugar mixture. BE CAREFUL - it will violently bubble up. Cook over medium-low heat for about 10 minutes, until mixture reaches 248 degrees F on a candy thermometer. Pour caramel into prepared pan; cool for 10 minutes. Sprinkle with 1 Tbsp. kosher salt; cool completely.
- Cut into squares; wrap individually in wax paper if you desire.

Sweet and Spicy Candied Bourbon Pecans

Source: [RachelCooks](#)

Ingredients

- 1 egg white
- 1 Tbsp. bourbon
- 3 cups pecan halves
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/8 to 1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper



Instructions

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. Line a large baking sheet with foil, parchment paper, or Silpat.
- In a medium-sized bowl, whisk egg white with bourbon until frothy. Stir in pecans, mixing until moistened.
- In a separate small bowl, mix together sugar, salt, and cayenne until combined. Sprinkle over moistened nuts (that felt dirty), stir to combine and spread onto pan.
- Bake for 20-30 minutes stirring every ten minutes. They burn quickly so keep an eye on them!

Reservation policy

- The agreement with the Kitchen's requires that we provide seven (7) business days notice for them to guarantee accommodation for our requested numbers. Each month an invitation will be sent out to all members of the Society in the first week of the respective month in which the dinner will be held. To accommodate the Kitchen's needs and meet our contractual obligation with them; our members are requested to respond to the emailed invitation seven (7) business days prior to the respective dinner to guarantee a seat at the dinner. After that members will be placed on a waitlist.
- For these individuals the process will be as follows, using the Monday September 19th, 2016 dinner date as an example:
 - Dinner invitations will be sent out Friday August 16th, 2016. Please respond to me (rdifazio04@gmail.com). I will then acknowledge that you have a seat. Please understand that if you do not receive a response you are not guaranteed a seat at the respective dinner. In such circumstances (e.g., computer glitches) please e-mail me again or call me (613-532-5285).
 - Unless otherwise stated accommodation at the dinner will be guaranteed for all members who respond by Friday September 2nd, 2016 @ 6pm.

Cancellation policy

- Using the same example as above, anyone who cancels anytime prior to Friday September 2nd, 2016 @ 6pm will be removed from the list.
- Anyone canceling between Friday September 2nd, 2016 @ 6pm and Monday September 19th, 2016 will be expected to pay for the cost of the dinner and scotch (\$60). It is the responsibility of the member who cancels their (or their guest's) reservation to find a replacement. If I am asked to find a substitute and one is found, then the member will be asked to pay for 50% of their dinner cost.
- Anyone who fails to attend the Monday September 19th, 2015 dinner without having cancelled and been successfully replaced will be expected to pay the full cost (\$60). A member will be responsible for their guest's cancellation (\$70).
- If a member asks to be included at the dinner between Friday September 2nd, 2016 @ 6pm and Monday September 19th, 2016, their name will be placed on a wait-list and be accommodated on a first-come first-serve basis.

Just a note because we care.

Please understand that for the purpose of each event you are advised to drink responsibly and refrain from excessive consumption. The dinners hosted by the Kingston Single Malt Society are sampling events. By agreeing to pay and thereby attend the dinner you agree to release from legal responsibility and hold harmless Kingston Single Malt Society, its President Roberto Di Fazio, and any other volunteers from liability or claims arising from these events.

If you have any questions or comments please free to contact me. Thank you for your understanding, Roberto

Membership and Dinner prices for 2015-2016

Membership Fee:	\$40 (singles) \$60 (couples)
One Time Initiation Fee:	\$15
Standard Dinner Fee:	\$60 (member) \$70 (non-member)
Dinner only - No Single Malt:	\$50 (member) \$60 (non-member)



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