

March 2016 Tasting Notes

Glenfiddich 14 YO. Bourbon Barrel Reserve. \$51.27 incl tax 43% ABV

Malt Master Brian Kinsman's Tasting Insight:

Colour: Rich golden

Nose: Deep vibrant vanilla oak notes with hints of citrus, caramelized brown sugar and cinnamon. Baked apple and ripe summer fruits are balanced with the rich oaky aromas.

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Main Flavors: Vanilla sweetness, summer fruits, fresh oak.

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Nose:	Floral	Vanilla	Fruity	Banana	Pineapple	Lemon	Earthy	Smoke	Oily	Nutty	Grassy	Pungent	Peaty	Menthol					
Palate:	Sweet	Salty	Peaty	Tobacco	Peppery	Coffee	Zesty	Anise	Smoky	Peach	Iodine	Apple	Caramel	Pineapple	Vanilla	Citrus	Woody	Mint	

Body: Light Medium Heavy Smooth Rich Creamy Textured

Finish: Short Medium Long

Score: 95 **Notes:** _____ **Name:** Hel Bunsen

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WV

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Score: 90

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Name George W. W. W. W. W.

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Finish:	Short	Medium	Long																
Score:	85	Notes:	Very smooth																

Name L. GRAY

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Score: 84 **Notes:** Good with a bit of character **Name:** _____

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Score: 90 Notes: Yikes! Not my favorite BIT by up Helst!

Name: Don Jones

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Score: 78 **Notes:** _____ **Name:** FITZGERALD

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Gold

Amber

Mahogany

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Nutty

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Palate: Sweet Peaty

Salty Tobacco

Peppery Coffee

Zesty Anise

Smoky Peach

Iodine Apple

Caramel Pineapple

Vanilla Citrus

Woody Mint

Body: Light

Medium

Heavy

Smooth

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Score: 88 **Notes:** Very smooth, easy drink **Name:** Mike

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Score: 82 **Notes:** Not as smooth as I expected. Peppery

Name Mike