

February 2017 Tasting Notes

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Body:	Light	Medium	Heavy	Smooth	Rich	Creamy	Textured	
Finish:	Short	Medium	Long					

Score: 85

Notes: _____

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90-94

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Finish:	Short	<u>Medium</u>	Long					
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Finish:	Short	Medium	<u>Long</u>					

Score: 84

Notes: _____

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Schwegmann

cjs@lynnlp.com

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Palate:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sweet <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peaty	<input type="checkbox"/> Salty <input type="checkbox"/> Tobacco	<input type="checkbox"/> Peppery <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee	<input type="checkbox"/> Zesty <input type="checkbox"/> Anise	<input type="checkbox"/> Smoky <input type="checkbox"/> Peach	<input type="checkbox"/> Iodine <input type="checkbox"/> Citrus	<input type="checkbox"/> Caramel <input type="checkbox"/> Mint	<input type="checkbox"/> Vanilla <input type="checkbox"/> Woody
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Finish:	<input type="checkbox"/> Short	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Long					
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Score:	<u>48</u>						Notes:	Name:

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The Balvenie 14 YO, Rum Cask. 43% ABV. \$61.47 plus tax

the cask, not just finished. There is also a golden rum finished version which is exclusive to travel retail.

Nose: Golden raisins, green grass, marshmallows. More 'white rum' than dark. A little winery, like white port. A dash of water wakes up the dram – passion fruit, limeade, and bright florals.

Palate: Medium-thick mouthfeel. Minimal burn gives way to round maltiness,

sweet bakery goods, and a green vegetal note. Brown sugar. With the water, there is more green sugarcane.

Finish: Medium-long, nice and oaky, with a distinct lack of bitterness. A bit of sassafras and molasses on the fade-out. Pleasant.

Overall: A nice, round whisky with an interesting twist. The rum doesn't come through as "rummy", but more vegetal and malty. In fact, the expected molasses note doesn't appear until the tail-end of the finish. That said, it's a nice, easy-drinking Balvenie with clear malt character.

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	Peaty	Tobacco	Coffee	Anise	Peach	Citrus	Mint	Woody	
Body:	Light	Medium	Heavy	Smooth	Rich	Creamy		Textured	
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