

February 17, 2018 Tasting Notes

**Tomintoul 10 YO. 40% ABV. \$35.81 + tax. Speyside**

**Color:** Pale Yellow Yellow Gold Gold (Greeny) Bronze Amber Mahogany

**Nose:** Floral Citrus Grass Honey Coconut Malty Oak Nutty Molasses Sherry Sweet Smoky  
Pungent Sea Air Peat

**Palate:** Woody Zesty Vanilla Oily Peppery Raisins Intense Grassy Caramel Berries Balanced  
Chocolate Floral Citrus Honey Coconut Nutty Sherry Sweet Smoky Malty Peat  
Alive Balanced Abrasive Assertive Delicate Bland Rich Earthy

**Body:** Light Medium Full Smooth Rich Creamy Textured Big Crisp Mouth-coating Silky Velvet

**Finish:** Short Medium Long Abrupt Bitter Intense Tingling Robust Oaky Crisp Delicate

**Length of finish (minutes):** 1 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5 4 4.5 5

Score: 75

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: T. C. BURDORF

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Chocolate Floral Citrus Honey Coconut Nutty Sherry Sweet Smoky Malt Peat  
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Name: L. Gray

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Name: Don H.

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Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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Score: 83

Notes: Smooth

Name: Jan

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Notes: Flavor-less

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**Score:** 80      **Notes:** Not my idea of what Scotch should taste like      **Name:** Mike

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Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

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Notes: 50-50

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**Notes:** 60 12/10!!

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