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Nose: Beautiful vanilla and candy lime notes. Really beautiful citrus notes. Great pastry. Freshly cut apple pie. Hints of cinnamon. My peat detector does not go off (it's not overly sensitive). Rich buttery sweet. **Palate:** Beautifully creamy notes (smooth like butter), with a wallop of intense spice, char, dark chocolate, and even more butter. The peat notes come through, lightly coating the palate.

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Zesty



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Yellow Gold Color: Bronze Pale Yellow Amber Mahogany Floral Citrus Grass Nose: Honey Coconut Malty Oak Nutty Molasses Sherry Sweet (Smoky) Pungent (Sea Ai Zestv Vanilla Oily Palate: Peppery Raisins Intense Grassy Caramel Berries Balanced Honey Coconut Nutty Sherry Sweet Smoky Malty Peat Rich/Earthy Chocolate Floral Citrus Alive (Balanced **Abrasive** Assertive Delicate Bland Light Medium Full Smooth Body: Rich Creamy Textured Big Crisp Mouth-coating Silky Velvet Short Medium Finish: Long Abrupt Bitter Intense **Tingling** Oaky Crisp Delicate Length of finish (minutes): $1 ext{ } 1.5 ext{ } /2$ 2.5 - 3 3.5 4 4.5 Notes: Very nice, lots of flavors Name: Mike

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Palate:	Woody Zesty Va	nilla Oily Peppery	Raisins Intense	Grassy Carame	Berries B	alanced	
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Abrasive

Assertive Delicate Bland --

Body:

Light Medium

Full Smooth

Rich Creamy Textured

Big

Mouth-coating Crisp

Silky Velvet

Finish:

Abrupt Bitter

Intense

Tingling

Robust Oaky

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