

Meeting Date: June 22, 2019
Glenfarclas 12YO. 43% ABV
Speyside Distillery
EX-BOURBON AND EX-SHERRY CASKS
\$44.19 + tax

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Alive Balanced Abrasive Assertive Delicate Bland

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Score: 88

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Name: Jeff Burghart

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Palate:	Woody	Zesty	Vanilla	Oily	Peppery	Raisins	Intense	Grassy	Caramel	Berries	Balanced			
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Meeting Date: June 22, 2019
Glenfarclas 12YO. 43% ABV
Speyside Distillery
 EX-BOURBON AND EX-SHERRY CASKS
 \$44.19 + tax

Glenfarclas is renowned for producing single highland malt scotch whisky in the traditional Speyside style with a heavy sherry influence. Glenfarclas means glen of the green grassland and the freshness on the nose reminds me of grassland in spring. So for me this is the 'farclas' aroma. In 2006 this was named the 'best sherried whisky' in the single malt world cup. More recently glenfarclas 12 years old won gold at the Stockholm beer & whisky festival in 2007 and again in 2008. 86 proof

Eye: vibrant amber-gold.

Nose: fresh and beautifully light sherried fruit combined with a tempting spicy sweetness and a hint of sappy oak.

Palate: full bodied delightful sherried fruit with oak a hint of peat and delicious sweet sensations.

Finish: long and flavorsome with a lingering spiciness.

Color: Pale Yellow Yellow Gold Bronze Amber Mahogany

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

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: 85

Notes: Don

Name: Don

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Highland Park. 40% ABV.
Orkney Island Distillery. Sherry Oak Cask.
 \$36.09 + tax

Highland Park 12 Year Old remains one of the gold- standard malts for other distillery bottlings to aspire to. With a delicious sweetness (heather-honey is their preferred description) and a warming, silky mouthfeel, this is a whisky that never lets you down. "The greatest all-rounder in the world of malt whisky". Michael Jackson, Michael Jackson's Malt Whisky Companion. There are a lot of disappointed tasters when commenting on the new "Viking Honor" 12 YO.

Nose: Salted lemons, a whiff of charcoal smoke, crunchy green apples, tropical fruit chews, unripe mango, beeswax, honey, dusty wood and fruity dark chocolate – maybe chocolate limes? It develops in the glass, picking up more fruit and slowly cutting the citrus notes.

Palate: Starts off with syrup sweetness, quickly moving on to sour and creamy wood, with more tropical chews, pineapple and smoked orange rind.

Finish: Smoky wood, malt syrup, green pine cones and woody spice.

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Score: 65 **Notes:** NOT the good ol H-P **Name:** JAN WARD

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