

Meeting Date: July 20, 2019

Grangestone Highlands Single Malt 40% ABV. NAS. \$21.59 + tax

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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

Score: 75

Notes: _____

Name: J. Brundage

Rating Scheme

95-100 A classic! All components are balanced appropriately, with the complexity and character expected in a classic.

90-94 Outstanding! One of the best for its style. Distinctive.

80-89 Good to very good. Plenty of character and no identifiable flaws. Worth seeking out.

70-79 Average. No unique qualities. Flaws possible.

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Glenmorangie Signet. A Highland Malt.

46% ABV. 100% malted barley. American white oak casks.

\$179.99 + tax

Tasting Notes: Glenmorangie Signet

Appearance: Strong, oily legs clinging to the side of the glass. Noticeably darker in hue than some previous Glenmorangie releases. Dark almond and mahogany hues.

Nose: Soft and lightly floral (hibiscus) initially, soon opening up to release dark cocoa and spiced plum. The layers unfold slowly and intriguingly. One moment lemon meringue transitions into key lime before bread pudding followed by leather and tobacco leaves. Sweet, fruity, and finessed. No rough patches to be found whatsoever. I could spend quite some time with just the nose alone, and I have.

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Score: 90

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Name: Octavio

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Grangestone Highlands Single Malt

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Name: FITZGERALD

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Name: Larry G.

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Nose: Floral Citrus Grass Honey Coconut Malty Oak Nutty Molasses Sherry Sweet Smoky Peat Burn

Palate: Woody Zesty Vanilla Oily Peppery Raisins Intense Grassy Caramel Berries Balanced
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Body: Light Medium Full Smooth Rich Creamy Textured Big Crisp Mouth-coating Silky Velvet

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Score: 84

Notes: _____

Name: Jim

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Score: 89

Notes: _____

Name: NORM

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

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Score: 60

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Name: Mike

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Notes: Long Phasent, caramel, finish

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Alive Balanced Abrasive Assertive Delicate Bland

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Score: 91

Notes: _____

Name: Dan Adams

Rating Scheme

95-100 A classic! All components are balanced appropriately, with the complexity and character expected in a classic.

90-94 Outstanding! One of the best for its style. Distinctive.

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70-79 Average. No unique qualities. Flaws possible.

Below 69 Not sure it's safe to drink

*ready to drink
- hop kettle - fakes
on chem of Grangestone*

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Glenmorangie Signet. A Highland Malt.

46% ABV. 100% malted barley. American white oak casks.

\$179.99 + tax

Tasting Notes: Glenmorangie Signet

Appearance: Strong, oily legs clinging to the side of the glass. Noticeably darker in hue than some previous Glenmorangie releases. Dark almond and mahogany hues.

Nose: Soft and lightly floral (hibiscus) initially, soon opening up to release dark cocoa and spiced plum. The layers unfold slowly and intriguingly. One moment lemon meringue transitions into key lime before bread pudding followed by leather and tobacco leaves. Sweet, fruity, and finessed. No rough patches to be found whatsoever. I could spend quite some time with just the nose alone, and I have.

Palate: Full, round, and somewhat oily mouthfeel not unlike very well-crafted rum. To steal a word from the nose section: finessed. Absolutely classy presentation. Subtly sweet with notes of dark cocoa, tobacco, a hint of honey-roasted cashew at one point, orange zest, brown sugar, and a never-ending parade of baked goods with a variety of citrus icings. Again, no rough patches at all.

Finish: The transition into the finish is exquisite; there is a full-bodied burn that warms like the most stubborn coals of a dying bonfire while avoiding any hint of brassiness. The cocoa and tobacco bid a fond farewell before the sherry arrives very late to deliver a phenomenal and unexpected encore.

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Notes: Good work at last

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Notes: _____

Name: Tony

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Notes: Addink H₂O made it so smooth
Oily with water

Name: Tony Vinson