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Palate: Thick and mouth-coating with wood smoke, brine, some tin and chilli heat too.

Finish: Red chilli peppers and oak dryness with a hint of embers.

Color: Pale Yellow Yellow Gold Bronze Amber Mahogany

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

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: 78

Notes: _____

Name: TED B + R. NAME

Rating Scheme

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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.

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Name: Richard Neil
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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

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Name: L GRAY

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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

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Alive Balanced Abrasive Assertive Delicate Bland

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

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Name: Jim G

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

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Name: Jim

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Name: Wayne Anderson

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

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Score: ~~87~~ 78 **Notes:** Non-descript

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Score: 85

Notes: _____

Name: Den Jim

Meeting Date: August 17, 2019

Talisker Storm

45.8% ABV. NAS. \$54.49 + tax

Talisker Storm was released in early 2013 as a no age statement whisky, which was matured in specifically selected refill and toasted American oak casks. An intense and vibrant dram, the Storm offers up plenty of distillery character alongside some smokier depth and complexity. With a classic Talisker profile, a depth of beautiful flavours and a very reasonable price point, this is an ideal single malt for those thinking of exploring island malts (Isle of Skye).

Nose: Initial brine, but not as abrupt as the 10 Year Old, quite creamy by comparison. Banana. Banana angel delight? Window putty, hint of sticking plasters and barbecues, citrus. White pepper develops towards the bottom of the glass.

Palate: Thick and mouth-coating with wood smoke, brine, some tin and chilli heat too.

Finish: Red chilli peppers and oak dryness with a hint of embers.

Color: Pale Yellow Yellow Gold Bronze Amber Mahogany

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

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: 85

Notes: Some Bite

Name: Mike

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.

Below 69 Not sure it's safe to drink

Meeting Date: August 19, 2019

Highland Park Valkyrie 49.5% ABV \$72.99 + tax

The second release in Highland Park's Viking Legend series. Found upon the bodies of slain warriors and thought to invoke the presence of Odin himself, Valknut will transport you to a roaring longhouse feast with its woody, smoky and spicy character. Malt dried with peat. Aged in ex-bourbon/ex-sherry casks.

"A feast of a nose! Strawberry cheesecake, nutmeg, dried fruits, vanilla cream, chocolate and sweet spices compliment Highland Park's signature salty/smoky notes. The palate is well balanced with smoky hints, oak, spices, orchard fruits and gentle citrusy notes. The dark chocolate comes back towards the end for a last yummy kick."

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

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Score: 86

Notes: Not complex

Name: Mike

Meeting Date: August 19, 2019

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ALISTER

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

Palate: Woody Zesty Vanilla Oily Peppery Raisins Intense Grassy Caramel Berries Balanced
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Score: 90

Notes: _____

Name: DON WARD

Meeting Date: August 17, 2019

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HP

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 Chocolate Floral Citrus Honey Coconut Nutty Sherry ~~Sweet~~ Smoky Malty Peat Rich/Earthy

Alive Balanced Abrasive Assertive Delicate Bland

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Notes: _____

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