

# Speciality Spirits

(Per 25ml measure)

## Gins

### **Blackwoods' 2012 Vintage**

40%abv

£3.50

*Blackwoods' 2012 vintage gin is made in the Shetlands using handpicked Shetland botanicals including juniper, angelica, marsh marigold, coriander, meadow sweet and sea pink. Handsome and tasty.*

### **Caorunn**

41.8%abv

£3.50

*A small batch Scottish gin from the Balmenach distillery in Speyside. Caorunn (pronounced ka-roon), made with a combination of traditional and handpicked botanicals including rowan berry, heather, coul blush apple and dandelion. Uniquely served with a freshly cut red apple to enhance its invigorating, clean and crisp taste.*

### **Edinburgh**

43%abv

£3.75

*Made by Spencerfield Spirits Company, this delicious gin is distilled in Edinburgh and is flavoured with lovely botanicals including milk thistle and heather. A very creamy little gin.*

### **Gilt**

40%abv

£4.25

*Gilt Gin is made by the same Scottish company which makes the famous Valt Vodka. It's based on single malt spirit, which is distilled five times from nothing but malted barley. Nose: Earthy juniper, allspice, creamy vanilla and cereal sweetness. Hints of dried herbs and tangy fruit. Palate: Oily, earthy palate with dry berry fruit to the fore. Hints of toffee, digestive biscuits, citrus zest, aniseed and coriander seed. Finish: Orange on the finish, with mixed spices. Overall: A creamy, rich Scottish gin.*

### **Gordon Castle**

43%abv

£4.25

*Small-batch, hand-crafted gin from the Gordon Castle along the River Spey, featuring botanicals grown in the estate's Walled Garden. Mint, lavender and gooseberry are among the botanical selection, giving this crisp gin a floral, fresh palate.*

### **Hendrick's**

41.4%abv

£3.75

*Hendricks make their pot-still distilled gin using cucumber as one of the primary botanicals. This makes for a unique, tasty and incredibly refreshing Gin. Best served on ice with a thin slice of cucumber.*

### **The Botanist**

46%abv

£4.25

*Created at the Bruichladdich distillery, this superb Islay gin was distilled in the 'ugly betty' still described as "an oversized upside-down dustbin made of copper" by Tom Morton. This is a world-class gin, at a proper abv. A huge 31 botanicals go into The Botanist, including 22 native to Islay (the Juniper used is wild Islay Juniper).*

### **Whitley Neill**

42%abv

£3.75

*Superb quality, soft London Dry Gin, Whitley Neill is made by an independent distillery with 4 generations of family heritage. They base this on African botanicals, including the Baobab Tree and Physalis. The result is a fantastic gin, made in a century old (literally) antique copper pot still. This was awarded a Double Gold at the 2007 San Francisco World Spirits Competition, and Gold medals at the International Wine and Spirits Competition and the Chicago Beverage Testing Institute (who awarded it a sterling 91 points). Whitley Neill's motto is 'Inspired by Africa, Made in England'.*

## Brandies

**Courvoisier v.s.o.p Fine Cognac** 40%abv **£4.20**

*With a bold depth to cut through the finest cocktails and a subtle and elegant finish when enjoyed neat, this fine cognac offers a sophisticated spectrum of flavours for any palate or occasion.*

**Hennessy Fine de Cognac** 40%abv **£5.00**

*The nose exudes a bouquet of citrus blossom. The delicate accents of fruit form a palpable harmony.*

**Remy Martin Coeur de Cognac** 40%abv **£5.50**

*Enticing notes of ripe summer fruits with the promise of incredibly smooth sensations.*

## Malts

**Aberlour (10yr)** 40%abv **£4.20**

*Nose: The dry, fresh, fruity aromas of early autumn apples & pears are subtly enhanced with sweet notes of vanilla & mint toffee. Palate: Exceptionally smooth & creamy, with spicy sweet nutmeg & honey combining with the freshness of autumn fruits. Finish: Long, soft & warming.*

**Jura Origin (10yr)** 40%abv **£4.20**

*The nose has a freshness with notes of damp hay and soft, malty cereal notes. A touch of peat with gentle oak and arak with blossom tones. The palate is thick and full with more cereal, this time a barley fudge sweetness creeps in with creamy smoothness and a touch of aniseed. The finish is long with peppery winter spice.*

**Springbank (10yr)** 46%abv **£5.15**

*The nose is big-bodied with oaked aridity. The peat is present and quite pungent with an earthen rootiness. Notes of exotic fruits and a hint of salinity. The palate is full-bodied with a good helping of cereal sweetness. There is a richness to the peat, with a dark nuttiness and whirling smoke. The finish is long and crisp with a coastal tang and a trailing peat with oaked dryness.*

**Talisker (10yr)** 45.8%abv **£4.20**

*Beneath the deep and stormy peat smoke character of Talisker lies a rich dried fruit sweetness, followed by a satisfying peppery finish.*

**Tobormory (10yr)** 46.3%abv **£5.15**

*Nose: Rich island character with tantalising hints of grass, malt, ginger bread, stewed fruit syrup & finely polished oak. Palate: Smooth, velvety with fruit tangs & exquisitely spiced ginger bread & aniseed for a medium sweetness to treasure. Finish: Ginger & spicy oak, matched with bitter chocolate and almond that gently fades with a tail of sweet salty seas.*

- Aberfeldy (12yr)** 40%abv £4.60  
*Mellowed for 12 years in handmade oak casks, this smooth, sweet dram offers rich rewards.*
- Balvenie DoubleWood (12yr)** 40%abv £4.20  
*Nose: Gristy, supple nuttiness & grapey. Palate: Sweet with good body. The bourbon characters develop; gentle spice with a little vanilla, a balancing peat lurking quietly in the substrata. Finish: Dry, spicy, beautifully warming.*
- Dalmore (12yr)** 40%abv £5.25  
*Aroma: Citrus Fruits, chocolate & aromatic spices. Palate: Concentrated citrus, oloroso sherry & hints of vanilla pod. Finish: Roasted coffee & chocolate*
- Glenfiddich (12yr)** 40%abv £4.20  
*Nose: Grain. Slightly floral, mineralic. Spirity, orchard fruit, malty, honey. Citrus develops. Palate: Light, floral, spices. Very smooth. Finish: Sweet, touch of oak and general fruit, oily.*
- Glenlivet (12yr)** 40%abv £4.20  
*Nose: Vibrant aromas of summer meadows and tropical fruits, notably pineapple. Palate: Floral notes, smooth & sweet notes of fresh peaches, pears & vanilla. Finish: Marzipan & fresh hazlenuts.*
- Old Pulteney (12yr)** 40%abv £4.20  
*Known as "The Maritime Malt" distilled in the most northern distillery on the mainland. Dry, medium bodied & smooth, redolent of honey & cream, faintly salty with a slightly spicy note & a sweet long-lasting finighe*
- Royal Lochnigar (12yr)** 40%abv £4.20  
*Subtle & freshly woody, this single malt is typical of Highland style. On the nose, linseed oil & sweet toffee are offset by fresh acidity. The finish has a note of sandlewood.*
- The Singleton of Glen Ord (12yr)** 40%abv £4.20  
*Nose: Sherry character, along with a suggestion of chocolate-coated Turkish Delight. Palate: Excellent structure, silky smooth, quite muscular and complex with enough body to satisfy without being overpowering. Cinnamon and hazelnut notes develop. Finish: Lengthy and memorable in the finish, with those fruit notes from the nose lingering right to the end, along with rose petals, Oddfellows and parma violets. Overall, very sensual and attractive, a charming malt that leaves a real warmth behind.*
- The Tomatin (12yr)** 43%abv £4.20  
*Nose: A complex bouquet contains rich malt & fruity aromas with a hint of peatiness. Palate: The palate is rewarded with a unique combination of attractive flavours - a balance of apples, pears, maly, with a gentle hint of nuttiness enhanced by the subtle use of sherry wood. Finish: Smooth, sweet & very satisfying.*
- Clynelish (14yr)** 46%abv £4.75  
*A distinctive single malt from Brora, one of Scotland's most northerly distilleries. Fresh & creamy smooth on the palate with a pleasing texture which is highly regarded by malt whisky connoisseurs.*

- Dalmore (15yr)** 40%abv £5.75  
*Nose: A chocolate orange. Potpourri, perfumed. Fruitcake, sherry. Palate: Medium, lovely delivery. Zesty orange, Blue Curaçao, chocolate. Winter spice, stem ginger in syrup. Hints of anise and a little hickory. Finish: Malty barley and smoky espresso.*
- Dalwhinnie (15yr)** 43%abv £4.60  
*The classic Highland malt, Dalwhinnie ages slowly to develop a remarkable character. 15 years of gentle aging make it a smooth subtle malt without a trace of harshness. Smooth tasting of creamy vanilla and heather honey sweetness, finishing in a smokey Highland glow.*
- Glenfarclas (15yr)** 46%abv £4.75  
*Natural colour, more complex than the younger whiskys, with lots of body & superb balance, with a long lasting & distinguished finish.*
- Glenlivet (15yr)** 40%abv £4.75  
*Nose: Creamy & rich, peel & candied grapefruit aromas. Palate: Round, sweet, incredibly smooth. Fruity & nutty flavours. A gentle cinnamon spiciness Finish: Lingering with traces of toasted hazlenuts & almonds.*
- The Singleton of Glen Ord (15yr)** 40%abv £5.20  
*This elegant 15 year old yields fragrant floral aromas & has an appetising citrus fruit on the palate. Best enjoyed straight over ice.*
- Lagavulin (16yr)** 43%abv £6.20  
*Nose: More like Lapsang Souchong tea than Lapsang Souchong! One of the smokiest noses from Islay. It's big, very, very concentrated, and redolent of iodine, sweet spices, good, mature sherry and creamy vanilla. Stunning. Palate: Very thick and rich. A massive mouthful of malt and sherry with good fruity sweetness, but also a wonderful sweetness. Big, powerful peat and oak. Finish: Long, spicy finish, figs, dates, peat smoke, vanilla.*
- Chivas Regal Gold Signature (18yr)** 40%abv £5.75  
*A welcoming rewarding whisky. Exceptional richness with multi layered aromas of buttery toffee, dark chocolate & dried fruits. Hints of spices and smokes. The voluptuous, velvety palate develops into a extremely warm finish.*
- Laphroaig (18yr)** 48%abv £8.25  
*Nose: Soft toffee, sweet but faintly spicy. Flavour counterbalances the trace of delicate phenols & fruit. A touch of water allows the seaweed & salt to come through. Body: An intense depth that is exceptionally balanced & warming. Taste: An instant warming tang of smoke fades into smooth floral scents. With a touch of water, the peaty warmth fills the mouth.*
- Macallan (18yr)** 43%abv 12.75  
*Nose: Classic spiced dried fruits and creamy vanilla with orange peel, crystallised ginger and apple wood. Palate: Rum and raisin, dates, caramel and cloves alongside custard and citrus hints. Rich and satisfying. Finish: Spices and dried fruits from the palate remain alongside warming ginger and refined oakiness.*
- The Singleton of Glen Ord (18yr)** 40%abv £6.50  
*Less spicy, more mature, slightly darker in colour and deeper in flavour than the 12 year old. For those who appreciate the pleasures of lifes simplicity, enjoy straight over ice.*

### ***The Ardmore***

40%abv

**£4.20**

*A unique expression of the Ardmore, a marriage of peated and un-peated single malt whisky. Light, silky, peat-smoked & creamy vanilla, balanced with sweet honey and spice.*

### ***Glenmorangie***

40%abv

**£4.20**

*The original Glenmorangie has flavours of honeyed sweetness fused with notes of citrus, vanilla & almonds, making it delicate, alluring and very complex.*

### ***Glen Moray***

40%abv

**£4.00**

*Speyside Single Malt. Nose: Light, fresh. Grist: Nutty, floral. Dried grass. Slightly fruity. Palate: Oak, gentle. Well balanced, walnut, grist. Citrus, lemon sponge. Finish: Tangy citrus, spicy fruitcake*

### ***The Glenrothes Select Reserve***

43%abv

**£5.15**

*Character: Ripe fruits, citrus, vanilla, hints of spice*

### ***Laphroaig Select***

40%abv

**£4.60**

*This special Laphroaig is created from carefully selected cask of each of their key styles, stretching back in time with one notable addition. The heart of this spirit is drawn from a final maturation in new American oak casks, which are rarely used for Scotch whisky.*

### ***Macallan Amber***

40%abv

**£5.15**

*This amber spirit is polite, almost apologetic at first, with floral notes, citrus sweet nose that gains presence, commanding a chorus of sweet vanilla notes over freshly harvested grain. The finale is light to medium, with soft fruits.*