



**Alexandria Scottish Christmas Walk Whisky Tasting**  
**Saturday, December 1, 2007, 4:00pm to 6:00pm**

<i>Distillery</i>	<i>Whisky Expert M. Jackson's Notes</i>	<i>Your Notes</i>
Aberfeldy 12	<i>Nose:</i> Lively, orange zest, hint of smokiness <i>Palate:</i> Clean fruitiness, tangerine, spongecake <i>Finish:</i> Kumquat, dusty, spicey, warming	
Auchentoshan	<i>Nose:</i> Oily with hints of lemon zest <i>Palate:</i> Lemon-grass notes, lightly sweet <i>Finish:</i> Light, crisp, quick	
Bladnoch 10 / 1986	<i>Nose:</i> Hint of sherry, fragrantly fruity, lemony <i>Palate:</i> sherry start to grassy to flowery-lemony <i>Finish:</i> big and long-lasting	
Bunnahabhain	<i>Nose:</i> Fresh, sweet, sea-air <i>Palate:</i> Gentle, clean, nutty-malty sweetness <i>Finish:</i> full flavor development	
Glendronach 12	<i>Nose:</i> Sweetish sherry notes, lots of malt, some heather <i>Palate:</i> Light sherry, touch of oak, malt, heather <i>Finish:</i> Longer, more spicy, drier	
Glenfarclas 105	<i>Nose:</i> big, raisins, butterscotch, toffee <i>Palate:</i> Very sweet, rich nectar <i>Finish:</i> long, warm	
Glenmorangie Port Wood	<i>Nose:</i> Fruity and winey <i>Palate:</i> port, butterscotch, winey, spicy <i>Finish:</i> Soothing, in no hurry to go	
Glenrothes Select Reserve	<i>Nose:</i> Delicate peat, soft licorice <i>Palate:</i> Licorice, spice, dried fruit, peat <i>Finish:</i> Spicy, long, dry	
Lagavulin 16	<i>Nose:</i> Sea salt, peat, sherry <i>Palate:</i> dry offset by sherry, salt and peat develops <i>Finish:</i> Huge, powerful, peaty, salty	
Laphroaig Quarter Cask	<i>Nose:</i> Medicinal, phenolic, seaweedy, hint of sherry <i>Palate:</i> Seaweedy, salty, oily <i>Finish:</i> Round and very dry	
Macallan Cask Strength	<i>Nose:</i> Oak, sherry, winey, faint chocolate <i>Palate:</i> Robust, dry, malty, toffee, fruity, nutty <i>Finish:</i> Oaky, dry	
Old Pultney 15	<i>Nose:</i> Dry, peat, grass <i>Palate:</i> Light, honey and nuts <i>Finish:</i> Oily, soothing, salty	
Pebble Beach 12	<i>Nose:</i> oak, vanilla, mint, eucalyptus, licorice. <i>Palate:</i> resinous and minty, with the oaky notes	
Royal Lochnagar 12	<i>Nose:</i> Lots of sherry, spices, ginger cake <i>Palate:</i> Lots of sherry, malty sweetness, ginger cake <i>Finish:</i> Smoky	
Springbank 10	<i>Nose:</i> Light brine, spice, rounded malt, pear <i>Palate:</i> Dry and sweet, pear, citrus, smoke <i>Finish:</i> Melon	

## A Classification of Pure Malt Scotch Whiskies

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### *Appendix A: Classification of Scotch Whiskies*

- Group A**
- Aberfeldy, Glenugie, Laphroaig, Scapa
  - Average characteristics: full gold; fruity, salty; medium: oily, salty, sherry; dry
  - The best of its class: Laphroaig (Islay), 10 years, 86
- Group B**
- Aberlour, Balvenie, Benrinnes, Dalmore, Glendullan, Glenlivet, Glenturret, Highland Park, Lochside, Macallan, Millburn, Oban, Singleton of Auchroisk, Strathisla
  - Average characteristics: amber; sweet, sherry; medium, smooth; dry, sweet; long
  - The best of its class: Highland Park (Orkneys), 12 years, 90
- Group C**
- Ardmore, Blair Athol, Clynelish, Glenmorangie, Port Ellen, Talisker
  - Average characteristics: pale gold; sweet, salty; medium to full, oily; sweet, spicy; big, long, Spicy
  - The best of its class: Talisker (Skye), 10 years, 90
- Group D**
- Auchentoshan, Ben Nevis, Coleburn, Speyburn
  - Average characteristics: pale gold; fruity, grassy; oily; sweet, fruity; sweet, quick
  - The best of its class: Auchentoshan (Lowlands), 10 years, 85
- Group E**
- Balblair, Bladnoch, Caol Ila, Edradour, Glenburgie, Inchmurrin, Inverleven, Kinclaith, Littlemill, Pulteney
  - Average characteristics: pale wyne, gold; fruity, peaty; light; sweet, spicy; fruity
  - The best of its class: Bladnoch (Lowlands), 8 years, 85
- Group F**
- Aultmore, Benriach, Benromach, Bunnahabhain, Cardhu, Dalwhinnie, Glenallachie, Glen Deveron, Glenkinchie, Glen Scotia, Inchgower, Knockando, Miltonduff, Springbank, Tullibardine
  - Average characteristics: gold; aromatic; medium, smooth, light; sweet; sweet
  - The best of its class: Springbank (Campbeltown), 15 years, 88
- Group G**
- Cragganmore, Glenglassaugh, Glen Moray, Longmorn, Rosebank, Tamnavulin, Tomintoul
  - Average characteristics: gold, full gold; grassy; smooth, light; grassy; dry
  - The best of its class: Cragganmore (Speyside), 12 years, 90
- Group H**
- Bruichladdich, Deanston, Fettercairn, Glenfiddich, Glen Mhor, Glen Spey, Glentauchers, Ladyburn, Tobermory
  - Average characteristics: white wyne, pale; sweet; smooth, light; sweet, dry, fruity, smoky; dry, light
  - The best of its class: Bruichladdich (Islay), 10 years, 76
- Group I**
- Ardbeg, Bowmore, Dufftown, Glenfarclas, Glenlochy, Glenury Royal, Jura, Lagavulin, Longrow (Springbank distillery)
  - Average characteristics: gold, full gold, bronze; dry, peaty; medium, light, finn; dry, smoky, sweet; salty
  - The best of its class: Longrow (Campbeltown), 14 years, 90
- Group J**
- Glen Albyn, Glengoyne, Glen Grant, Glenlossie, Linkwood, North Port, Saint Magdalene, Tamdhu
  - Average characteristics: full gold; dry, peaty, sherry; light to medium, round; sweet; dry
  - The best of its class: Linkwood (Speyside), 12 years, 83
- Group K**
- Balmenach, Brackla, Convalmore, Craigellachie, Dailuaine, Dallas Dhu, Glendronach, Glenesk, Glen Keith, Glenordie (Glen Ord), Glenrothes, Knockdhu, Mortlach, Tomatin, Tormore
  - Average characteristics: gold, full gold; sweet, dry, peaty; medium to full; sweet, dry; dry, long
  - The best of its class: Dallas Dhu (Speyside), 1971, 85
- Group L**
- Banff, Caperdonich, Glencadam, Glen Elgin, Glen Garioch, Imperial, Lochnagar, Teaninich
  - Average characteristics: full gold; aromatic, peaty; medium; sweet, smoky; smoky
  - The best of its class: Lochnagar (eastern Highlands), 12 years, 80