



Valinch & Mallet

- INDEPENDENT SPIRITS -



SPIRIT PROFILE

Spirit: Single Cask Blended (Teaspooned) Malt
Scotch Whisky Distillery of Origin: Undisclosed
Maturation: 12 years
Cask Type: Ex-Sherry hogshead
Bottling Strength: 51.8% ABV
Total US Release: 180 bottles

“WESTPORT” DISTILLERY PROFILE

Region: Highland
Founded: Ross-shire, 1843
Current Capacity: 6.0 MLPA
Owner: LVMH
Note: Once the tallest pot stills in Scotland!

FROM DAVIDE ROMANO, OWNER of VALINCH & MALLET

“Nose: Jackfruit, raisins, rose petals, tiger balm, Sichuan peppercorn and incense.
Palate: salty and savoury, peppercorn, liquorice root then sweet sherry.
Finish: medium and sherry driven with overripe black cherries.

“This is a blended malt, legally speaking, derived by “teaspooning” (putting a very small quantity of a single malt coming from a different distillery inside a cask of single malt) the product of a very well-known Highland distillery: let’s say that if you want to go to visit Clynelish and Brora you’ll necessarily drive by it! (Unless you’re travelling in style with a helicopter of course!)

It matured 9 and half years in a bourbon cask before being reroaked into one of our own hand picked sherry casks, in this case an oloroso cask coming from La Gitana Bodega in Spain, famous for their “Faraon Oloroso Sherry”: a slightly drier version of oloroso compared to the market standard, but full of earthy and spicy notes.

We wanted to work on elegance here so choosing something drier for the finish was a way to counterbalance the sweetness of the malt and, hopefully, give it even more finesse.”