



Valinch & Mallet

- INDEPENDENT SPIRITS -

SPIRIT PROFILE

Spirit: Double Column Rum
Distillery of Origin: Diamond
Maturation: 15 years
Cask Type: Ex-bourbon Barrel
Bottling Strength: 58.1% ABV CASK STRENGTH
Total US Release: 96 bottles

DIAMOND DISTILLERY PROFILE

Region: British Guyana
Founded: Kingston, Georgetown, 1670
Current Capacity: 26 MLPA
Owner: Demerara Distillers Limited (DDL)
Note: The company's Diamond distillery produces Demerara Rums, which are today bottled under the El Dorado Brand.

FROM DAVIDE ROMANO, OWNER of VALINCH & MALLET

“Nose: maple syrup, caramel, butterscotch, banana loaf and chocolate.
Palate: blood oranges, chocolate, caramel, cornflakes then notes of jasmine tea and a more earthy and almost peated note.
Finish: medium, honey and again spicy earthy notes.

“This rum comes from the Savalle still of Diamond Distillery: a stainless steel 4 columns French still originally used by Uitvlugt distillery up until December 1999 when the distillery closed and they were moved, together with the Port Mourant still to Diamond.

The still is quite versatile since some documents refer to it as originally a 2 columns still joined with other 2 columns and capable of producing 9 marques ranging from light to heavy bodied rums.

It spent 4 years in the tropics and 11 in the Old Continent so the tropical maturation influenced only the first part of its life but it was enough to extract enough tannins and resins from the wood to noticeably affect the colour and taste, while the continental ageing, being not that aggressive, worked more towards reducing the ABV and rounding up the body, through a gentler extraction and esterification process. As per all the casks we select there is no Dosage, so no added sugar to influence the taste.”

