

# The Grape, Grain & Cane Selection

We have carefully selected a Grand variety of sipping malts, brandies, rums and even tequilas to satisfy the needs of all who stay with us here at The Grand hotel. Each palate is different, so why not ask one of our skilled bar team to help pick one that will best suit your requirements. Whatever your dram, sit back, relax and enjoy your surroundings – no need to hurry, there are plenty more to choose from!

## Single Malt Whisky

Single Malt is whisky coming from a single distillery that is distilled from one single 'malted' grain. In the case of single malt Scotch, barley is always the grain to be used. Single Malt Scotch must be distilled in Scotland and matured in oak casks for at least three years and one day (most single malts are matured for longer).

## The Grand Selection

The following rare vintages have been specially selected from a variety of distilleries around Scotland.

		25ml
401	Old Elgin 1939	£125.00
402	Linkwood 1946	£60.00
403	Strathisla 1949	£45.00
404	Macallan 1951	£220.00
405	Mortlach 1954	£28.00
406	Glenfarclas 1963	£42.00
407	Tullibardine 1964	£39.00
408	Tomintoul 1967	£28.00
409	Glen Grant 1968	£26.00
410	Balblair 1969	£13.00
411	Convalmore 1975	£13.00
412	St Magdalene 1975	£13.00
413	Bruichladdich 1984	£12.00

## Lowland

Lowland whiskies are lighter than those produced in the Highlands, typically having a dry finish, which makes them excellent aperitifs. The dryness comes from the malt itself, not from peat (Lowlands tend to use unpeated malt), and this also lends a certain sweet fruitiness to the flavour. Their aromatic intensity is low, and tends to be grassy or herbal, with grainy and floral notes. It used to be said that they added a brandy-like flavour to a blended whisky. This region now has only three operating distilleries: Glenkinchie, Auchentoshan and Bladnoch. At least six other Lowland single malts are still available, but no longer distilled.

		25ml
420	Auchentoshan, 12 year old	£5.00
421	Auchentoshan Three Wood	£6.00
422	Bladnoch, 18 year old	£6.50
423	Glenkinchie, 12 year old	£5.50
424	Littlemill, 12 year old	£5.00
425	Loch Lomond	£4.50
426	Rosebank 1991, Cask Strength	£7.00

## Campbeltown

Campbeltowns are traditionally full-flavoured and full-bodied whiskies, famous for their depth of flavour and for their slightly salty tang in the finish. They were referred to as 'The Hector of the West', the 'deepest voice in the choir'. In 1886 there were no less than 21 distilleries in and surrounding the city, now only three distilleries remain, Springbank, Glengyle and Glen Scotia. The Springbank Distillery producing three distinct whiskies; Springbank, Hazelburn and Longrow.

		25ml
430	Glen Scotia, 12 year old	£4.50
431	Glen Scotia 1992, Cask Strength	£7.00
432	Hazelburn, 8 year old	£5.00
433	Longrow, 10 year old	£5.50
434	Springbank, 10 year old	£6.50
435	Springbank, 18 year old	£8.50

## Islands

It is not uncommon for this region to be confused with Islay, but Islands is in fact a separate production region which consists of the islands Mull, Orkney, Jura, Arran, Shetlands and Skye. It is a source of constant debate whether Orkney actually belongs to the Islands or in fact should be counted as part of the Highlands region. Whisky from the Islands may be described as a milder version of Islay whisky and is often appreciated by those who have enjoyed whisky for a few years.

### Isle of Arran

		25ml
440	Arran Single Malt, 10 year old	£4.50

### Isle of Jura

441	Isle of Jura, 16 year old	£6.00
442	Isle of Jura, Prophecy, Limited annual release	£15.00

### Isle of Mull

443	Ledaig, 10 year old	£4.50
444	Tobermory, 10 year old	£4.50

### Isle of Orkney

445	Highland Park, 12 year old	£4.50
446	Highland Park, 18 year old	£8.00
447	Highland Park, 40 year old	£80.00
448	Scapa, 16 year old	£6.50

### Isle of Skye

449	Talisker, 10 year old	£5.00
450	Talisker, 25 year old	£18.00

## Islay

Islay single malts are single malt whiskies distilled on the isle of Islay, the most southern of the Inner Hebridean Islands, located off the west coast of Scotland. There are eight active distilleries on the island, with a ninth being made ready for production. Islay is a centre of 'whisky tourism'.

The whiskies of the distilleries along the south east coast of the island have the strong peaty character. This is considered to be characteristic of the Islay malts and is ascribed both to the water from which the whisky is made and to the peating levels of the barley. The other distilleries on the island make whisky in a variety of styles.

	25ml
455 Ardbeg, 10 year old	£5.50
457 Ardbeg Corryvreckan	£8.00
458 Ardbeg Uigedail	£7.50
459 Bowmore, 12 year old	£4.50
460 Bowmore, 25 year old	£24.00
461 Bruichladdich Pedro Ximenez	£6.50
462 Bunnahabhain, 12 year old	£4.50
463 Caol Ila, 12 year old	£4.50
464 Caol Ila, 18 year old	£6.50
465 Caol Ila, 1996 cask strength	£6.00
466 Lagavulin, 16 year old	£6.50
467 Laphroaig, 10 year old	£5.00
468 Laphroaig, 18 year old	£7.50
469 Smokehead, 18 year old	£10.00

## Highland

The Highlands is the largest of the whisky producing regions in Scotland. The whisky is often powerful, has a rich flavour and is quite smoky although slightly less so than whisky from the Islands. Compared to the Lowlands, Highland whiskies often taste very different from each other. This is partly due to the size of the region which allows for greater differences in the microclimate, but variations in raw materials and production techniques also play an important part. The word 'glen' is commonly used in the name of both Highland and Speyside distilleries and means 'valley'.

	<b>25ml</b>
475 Aberfeldy, 12 year old	£4.50
476 Ben Nevis, 10 year old	£4.50
477 Blair Athol, 12 year old	£4.75
478 Clynelish, 14 year old	£4.75
479 Clynelish 1997, cask strength	£5.50
480 Dalmore, 12 year old	£5.00
481 Dalmore, 18 year old	£12.00
482 Dalmore King Alexander 3 <sup>rd</sup>	£15.00
483 Edradour, 10 year old	£4.50
484 Edradour Pedro Ximenez 1985	£19.00
486 Glen Mhor 1976, cask strength	£38.00
487 Glengoyne, 10 year old	£5.50
488 Glengoyne, 21 year old	£10.50
489 Glenmorangie, 25 year old	£25.00
490 Glenmorangie Lasanta	£7.50
491 Glenmorangie Original	£5.00
492 Glenmorangie Quinta Ruban	£28.00
493 Glenmorangie Signet	£13.00
494 Oban, 14 year old	£5.00
495 Old Pulteney, 12 year old	£4.50
496 Royal Lochnagar, 12 year old	£4.50
497 Stronachie, 12 year old	£4.50
498 Tullibardine 1993	£5.00

## Speyside

Speysides are essentially sweet whiskies. They have little peaty character (although some have a whiff of smoke) and their salient characteristic is an aroma often compared to pear-drops or solvent (nail varnish remover). They can be highly perfumed: scents of carnations, roses, violets, apples, bananas, cream soda and lemonade have all been discovered in Speyside malts. They take maturation in sherry-wood well and can be rich and full bodied, medium and light-bodied.

Speyside has the greatest number of distilleries of any of the whisky producing areas of Scotland. These single malts are distilled in the area around the River Spey in Moray and Badenoch, in North East Scotland.

	25ml
505 Aberlour, 10 year old	£4.50
506 Aultmore, 12 year old	£4.50
507 Balvenie Double Wood, 12 year old	£5.00
508 Balvenie Signature, 12 year old	£5.50
509 Balvenie Single Barrel, 15 year old	£6.00
510 Balvenie Portwood, 21 year old	£11.00
511 Balvenie, 30 year old	£32.00
512 Benriach, 16 year old	£5.50
513 Benromach	£5.00
514 Benromach, 25 year old	£7.00
515 Cragganmore, 12 year old	£5.00
516 Dailuaine, 16 year old	£5.50
517 Glen Elgin, 12 year old	£5.00
518 Glen Elgin, 32 year old	£42.00
519 Glenfarclas, 15 year old	£6.00
520 Glenfarclas, 30 year old	£15.50
525 Glenfiddich, 12 year old	£4.50
521 Glenfiddich, 15 year old, Solera methode	£5.50
526 Glenfiddich, 18 year old, Ancient reserve	£6.50
522 Glenfiddich, 21 year old, Rum finished	£12.50
527 Glenfiddich, 30 year old	£32.00
528 Glenlivet, 12 year old	£5.00
529 Glenrothes Select Reserve	£5.00
530 Knockando, 12 year old	£4.50
531 Linkwood, 12 year old	£6.00

532	Linkwood Rum Finish, 26 year old	£25.00
542	Macallan, 10 year old Fine Oak	£5.00
533	Macallan, 12 year old Sherry Wood	£6.00
534	Macallan, 18 year old Sherry wood	£9.50
535	Macallan, 15 year old Fine Oak	£6.50
536	Mortlach, 16 year old	£6.00
543	Pittyviach, 12 year old	£6.00
537	Speymalt - Macallan Distillery 1968	£18.00
538	Strathisla, 12 year old	£5.00
539	Tomatin, 18 year old	£7.50
540	Tomintoul, 16 year old	£6.00
541	Tormore, 15 year old	£5.50

## Japan

Whiskey production in Japan began around 1870, but the first commercial production was in 1924, when the country's first distillery, Yamazaki, opened. The production of Japanese whiskey began as a conscious effort to recreate the style of Scotch whisky.

		25ml
550	Hibiki, 17 year old Blended Whiskey	£8.50
551	Yamasaki, 12 year old Malt Whiskey	£6.50

## Wales

This is a new whisky and the only one currently distilling in Wales. It was released for sale on St David's Day 2004.

552	Penderyn	£4.50
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## Vatted Malt Whisky

A Vatted Malt will contain a number of malt whiskies that have been skilfully blended together or 'married,' to create a consistent whisky with its own distinct, identifiable character. Never will they contain any grain whisky. This is one of the less common types of Scotch. To qualify as a Vatted Malt, the mixed single malt whiskies are matured in the barrel for 1 year, after which the age of the vat is that of the youngest of the original ingredients.

	<b>25ml</b>
555 Johnnie Walker Green Label, 15 year old	£6.00
556 Monkey Shoulder	£4.50

## Blended Whisky

### Scotch

Blended Scotch whisky constitutes over 90% of the whisky produced in Scotland. Blended Scotch whiskies contain both malt whisky and grain whisky. They were initially created as an alternative to single malt whiskies which were considered by some to be too harsh. Master blenders combine the various malts and grain whiskies to produce a consistent 'brand style'.

	<b>25ml</b>
560 The Bailie Nicol Jarvie	£4.00
561 Ballantines	£4.25
562 Chivas Regal, 12 year old	£4.50
563 Chivas Regal, 18 year old	£6.00
564 Dewars Special Reserve, 12 year old	£4.50
565 The Famous Grouse	£3.75
566 Isle of Skye, 8 year old	£4.00
567 Johnnie Walker Black Label	£4.50
568 Johnnie Walker Blue Label	£19.50
569 Johnnie Walker Gold Label, 18 year old	£8.50

## American/Bourbon

Whiskey came to the American continent with the Irish and Scottish immigrants. They were forced to adapt the process and over the years a new kind of whiskey gradually evolved. Today there are few, if any, similarities left between the American whiskey and its cousins the Scottish and Irish whiskies. For example, no smoke is used to dry the corn, rye or wheat used in American whiskey hence it often has a fuller, stronger and sweeter taste than its European counterparts.

American whiskey is commonly divided into six categories; Bourbon, Tennessee, Rye, Wheat, Corn and Blended whiskey. The categories are mainly motivated by differences in the type and amount of grains used during the mashing but there are also differences in e.g. storage time.

The name Bourbon originated from pioneers who named the county after the French Royal family in 1785. Nearly all Bourbon is produced in Kentucky however, it can be made anywhere in the USA and ironically no Bourbon is actually produced in Bourbon County at the present time.

Bourbon must be made of a grain mixture that is at least 51% corn the remainder being made up of rye, wheat and malted barley. The mash is double distilled and placed in charred oak casks for ageing for a minimum of two years.

	25ml
575 Buffalo Trace Kentucky Bourbon	£4.50
576 Buillet Bourbon	£3.75
577 Jack Daniels Single Barrel Whiskey	£8.00
578 Jim Beam Black Label Bourbon	£3.75
579 L&G Woodford Reserve Bourbon	£3.50
580 Makers Mark Bourbon	£4.25
581 Rittenhouse Straight Rye Whiskey	£4.00
582 Sazerac, 18 year old Straight Rye Whiskey	£12.00
583 Wild Turkey, 8 year old Bourbon	£4.25

## Canada

According to the laws of Canada, a Canadian whiskey must be mashed, distilled and aged in Canada. All whiskies sold in Canada must be aged for at least three years in a wooden barrel, no greater than 700l in capacity. Most Canadian whiskies are blended multi-grain liquors containing a large percentage of rye, typically lighter and smoother than other whisky styles.

25ml

585 Canadian Club Whiskey

£3.75

## Irish

Irish whiskey is regarded as being the oldest in the world with evidence of production as early as the 12th Century and it is believed Celtic monks were making whiskey or a sort, in the 6th Century for medicinal purposes.

Not all barley used in Irish whiskey is malted. Together with the fact that Irish malt generally is dried without the use of peat or any other smoke, this allows more of the natural flavours of the barley to rise to the front than Scotch whisky. Because it is triple distilled, it also has a softer, more rounded flavour than its Scottish counterpart. The Irish pot stills are also larger than Scottish stills. The Irish tend to put more emphasis on the process and the casks than Scottish distillers who emphasise the skills of the master blender.

25ml

590 Bushmills, 10 year old

£4.75

591 Bushmills Black Bush

£4.00

592 Jamesons Irish

£3.75

593 Jamesons Gold Reserve

£8.00

*At one time, all whiskey was spelled without an 'e', as in whisky. Around 1870, the reputation of Scottish whisky deteriorated as Scottish distilleries flooded the market with cheaper spirits. The American, Irish and subsequently other distilleries adopted the spelling 'whiskey', with the extra 'e', to distinguish their perceived higher quality product.*

## Cognac

Cognac named after the town of Cognac in France is the most famous variety of brandy. It is produced in the wine growing region surrounding the town from which it takes its name. According to French Law, in order to bear the name Cognac, the production methods for the distilled brandy must meet defined legal requirements, ensuring strict conformity with the 300-year old production process. It must be made from at least 90% Ugni Blanc, Folle Blanche or Colombard grapes, distilled twice and aged at least two years in French oak barrels from Limousin or Tronçais.

**VS** (Very Special) or **\*\*\*** (three stars), where the youngest spirit is stored for at least two years in cask.

**VSOP** (Very Superior Old Pale), or Réserve, where the youngest spirit is stored for at least four years in cask.

**XO** (Extra Old), Napoléon, Hors d'Age, where the youngest spirit is stored for at least six years in cask.

595	Courvoisier l'Essance	£230.00
596	Courvoisier VS	£4.25
597	Courvoisier VSOP Exclusif	£5.25
598	Hennessy XO	£13.50
599	Hennessy Paradis	£31.00
600	Hennessy Richard	£140.00
601	Hennessy VS	£3.95
602	Martell Cordon Bleu	£15.00
603	Martell VS	£3.75
604	Martell Medaillon VSOP	£5.00
605	Martell XO	£13.00
606	Remy Martin Extra	£30.00
607	Remy Martin Louis XIII	£119.00
608	Remy Martin VSOP	£5.25
609	Remy Martin XO	£15.95

## Armagnac

Armagnac is a distinctive kind of brandy or 'Eau de vie' produced in the Armagnac region in Gascony, south west France. It is distilled from wine usually made from a blend of grapes, using column stills rather than pot stills used in the production of Cognac. The resulting spirit is then aged in oak barrels before release. Armagnac was one of the first areas in France to begin distilling spirits.

610	Chateau de Tariquet ***	£4.50
611	Chateau de Tariquet VSOP	£5.00
612	Chateau de Tariquet XO	£6.50

## Calvados

Calvados is distilled from specially grown and selected apples, of which there are over 200 named varieties. It is not uncommon for a Calvados producer to use over 100 specific varieties of apple to produce their Calvados. The fruit is picked (usually by hand) and pressed into a juice that is fermented into a dry cider. It is then distilled into 'Eau de Vie'. After two years ageing in oak casks, it can be sold as Calvados. The longer it is aged, the smoother the drink becomes. Usually the maturation goes on for several years.

615	Calvados de Breuil	£4.50
616	Calvados de Breuil, 8 year old	£6.50
617	Calvados de Breuil, 14 year old	£9.50

## Rum

Rum is produced from sugarcane by-products such as molasses and sugarcane juice by a process of fermentation and distillation. The distillate, a clear liquid, is then usually aged in oak barrels.

There are different styles of rum:

**Light Rum**, also referred to as white rum. Brazilian Cachaca is classed in this category.

**Gold Rum**, medium bodied rums, these gain their colour from ageing in wooden barrels.

**Spiced Rum**, these rums obtain their flavour by the addition of spices.

**Dark Rum**, is classed as a grade darker than gold rum and is generally aged longer.

**Overproof Rum**, is higher than the standard 40% abv.

### **Anguilla**

620 Pyrat XO £6.00

### **Bermuda**

622 Goslings Black Seal £4.00

### **Barbados**

624 Mount Gay Eclipse £3.75

625 Mount Gay Extra Old £5.00

### **Brazil**

627 Leblon £6.00

628 Sagatiba £3.50

### **Cuba**

630 Havana Club, 3 year old £3.50

631 Havana Club, 7 year old £4.25

632 Havana Club, 15 year old £13.50

633 Havana Club, Cuban Barrel £5.50

### **Venezuela**

635 Santa Teresa 1796 £6.50

636 Santa Teresa Claro £4.00

637 Santa Teresa Anejo £5.50

### **Dominican Republic**

640	Brugal Anejo	£4.75
641	Matusalem Grand Reserva, 15 year old	£6.00
642	Matusalem Platinum	£6.50

### **Guyand**

644	El Dorado, 5 year old	£4.00
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### **Jamaica**

645	Appleton VX	£3.75
646	Appleton Extra	£4.95
647	Wray & Nephew Overproof	£4.50

### **Puerto Rico**

649	Bacardi, 8 year old	£4.75
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### **Trinidad & Tobago**

650	Angostura Reserve White	£3.75
651	10Cane Rum	£7.00

### **US Virgin Islands**

655	Sailor Jerry Spiced	£5.25
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## **Tequila**

Tres Generaciones is an award-winning super-premium tequila produced in Tequila, a municipality of the state of Jalisco, Mexico. It was created in 1973 by Don Francisco Javier Sauza to honor the three successive generations of tequila makers of the Sauza family since 1873.

657	El Jimador Blanco	£5.00
658	El Jimador Reposado	£6.50
659	Monte Alban Mezcal	£6.50

## Cigars

AGIO	Half Coronas	£3.00
AGIO	Meharis Sweet Orient	£7.00
BOLIVAR	Tubos No. 3	£12.00
BOLIVAR	Tubos No. 2	£16.00
COHIBA	Mini	£3.50
COHIBA	Siglo I	£18.00
COHIBA	Siglo III	£30.00
GUANTANAMERA	Cristales	£10.00
H.UPMANN	Juniors	£11.00
H.UPMANN	Corona Majors	£16.00
HOYO	Epicure Especial	£26.00
MONTECRISTO	Petit Tubos	£18.00
MONTECRISTO	Petit Edmundo	£20.00
MONTECRISTO	Edmundo	£25.00
MONTECRISTO	Mini	£3.00
PARTAGAS	Mini	£3.00
PARTAGAS	Serie D No. 4	£22.00
PUNCH	Coronations	£13.00
PUNCH	Petit Coronations	£12.00
PUNCH	Punch	£23.00
QUINTERO	Tubulares	£10.00
ROMEO Y JULIETA	Short Churchill	£22.00
ROMEO Y JULIETA	No. 3	£13.00
ROMEO Y JULIETA	No. 2	£17.00
ROMEO Y JULIETA	Mini	£3.00
SANTA DAMIANA	Tubulares	£12.00
SANTA DAMIANA	Especial Coronas	£14.00
VILLIGER	Export Gepresst	£7.00
VILLIGER	Premium No. 4	£3.50