

The Odd Whisky Coy

The Odd Man Out *Autumn 2005*



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- The Laddie makes a welcomed appearance at The Odd Whisky Coy,
- Oddbins makes a splash with malts, blends and accessories,
- Up and coming whisky events
- The Odd Whisky Coy sponsors Australia's 2nd Malt Whisky Convention
- Web site coming soon.

At long last and after much drama, our first shipment has finally arrived from the UK. And I can hear the collective sigh of relief even here in Adelaide. The talking is now over, it's time to have a drink and see what these gems are really like

And to all my old and not so old customers, your patience is definitely legendary! For those that missed out a number of prized items, my sincerest apologies, but as the bard says, "a good game is a quick game".

So with the arrival, I can now reveal some very pleasant surprises. For those that took up the offer of the Blanton's well done, pure and simply it is a very stunning whiskey. Glen Grant is an equally amazing malt, crisp and very mouth-watering, the Aberlour 15 still amazes me (why did it ever leave our shores) and Talisker 18 is just brilliant seaside malt. And the Penderyn is certainly well worth a taste.

So Autumn is upon us, we at the TOWC can now start pondering our next shipment. We will be re-ordering a few first shipment favourites plus a number new items that have only appeared since the Christmas and as always, we are very much open to what you would like to see in Australia. So if we have missed your all time favourite malt, give us a yell! You never know what could happen.

And finally, as the banner headline says, our first offer is about to expire on 30th April, so if you are still pondering a purchase or two at our most excellent ex-ship prices, you have but a week and a bit to place your orders.



Cheers from a sunny Adelaide,

The Big G



New arrivals from The Laddie



Last & Final Notice!

Oceans Of Whisky Offer #1 Concludes April 30

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Bruichladdich Leaves It's Mark



BRUICHLADDICH LINKS II Augusta & III Troon 14yo, 46% Retail \$110 This Month Only \$100

Bruichladdich Links is a series of limited edition bottlings chosen by industry icon Mr Jim McEwan, the Laddies master distiller, and celebrates Scotland's two principal passions: golf and whisky. This series associates this superb un-chill filtered, non-caramelised 14yo with the art of Graeme W. Baxter, the world's leading golf artist. And if I didn't get these in, my golfing boss would have killed me. **The 16th at Augusta** is 100% refill sherry casks and bottled at 46% and let me tell you that this is a stunner: classic Laddie sweetness and richness, very long and unctuous palate, beautifully balanced with just the right amount of spicy seasoning. For me, quite the session malt. **The 18th at Troon**, keeps the tradition going as it is once again a sherry cask matured malt: it's well spiced, slightly more aggressive than Augusta but a Laddie that's full of fruit, that hallmark maltiness and superb texture. Finishes crisp and dry.

BRUICHLADDICH 15yo, 46%

Retail \$117 This Month Only \$106

A 15 year old Bruichladdich, and amongst the first malt to be released under the new ownership of this most intriguing of Islay distilleries. Interestingly enough, the distillery recommends the 50% addition of spring water if you really want to smoothie this malt out! And by the way it's 85% American oak, 15% first fill Oloroso sherry cask matured. What intrigues me about the 15yo, is that it breaks the mould of what we mistakenly think of as Bruichladdich: there's salt, there's just a hint of sea but there still that remarkable sweet malt, yo-yo biscuits and butterscotch. This malt is gentle but is not simple, the complexity underneath all these flavours certainly draws you in...time and time again. I suggest you be careful with the H2O.



BRUICHLADDICH 1989 Full Strength 13yo, 57.1% Retail \$123 This Month Only \$111

My advice is to pick up a copy of Jim Murray's 2005 Whisky Bible and read his note on this full throttle Laddie, because I wholeheartedly agree with young Jim and I like McEwan's comments as well, "no frill, just thrills". Solid as a rock but with no hard alcohol burn, lots of fresh, lively complexity in the nose, malt sweetness, vanilla and fresh fruit on the palate which the added alcohol just lifts and intensifies. And it just lingers and lingers. And guess what you can pick up? The slightest hint of peat or as the distillery calls it, that note of "Atlantic freshness". The way cask strength spirits should be.

Coming Events...

- ★ Look out for the Wheattie Whisky sessions if you are in **Adelaide**, this is a series of informal courses, chats and drinking sessions run by staff & friends at the **Wheatheaf Hotel**, George Street, Thebarton. Great line up of malts and super beers as well.
- ★ In **Melbourne**, whisky show judge and wine maestra Sophie Otton is planning a series of "meet the malt" sessions at **City Wine Shop**/Melbourne Supper Club/European 159-161 Spring Street Melbourne, tel 3 9654 6657 or info@citywineshop.net.au

★ In **Sydney**, word has it that Jason Hoy at the **Ultimo Wine Centre** has launched into the whisky business in a big way and is planning something quite special, you can check out his exquisite array of wine & whisky at c21 / 99 Jones Street Ultimo, NSW, tel: (02) 9211-2385

★ And while we are in **Sydney**, don't forget August 2005, it's **Australia's 2nd Malt Whisky Convention**. Two full days of masterclasses, a Gala Whisky Dinner, The Great Whisky Exposition and guest speakers to include Michael Urquhart, Ronnie Cox & Doug Belford and of course yours truly will there with bells on at the Great Whisky Exposition. More info go to: www.mwsqa.org.au



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Look What's In My larder!!

Item	Type	Retail
Gooderham & Worts (Canadian) 70cl / 45%	can	\$78
Pikecreek (Canadian) 70cl / 40%	can	\$75
Aberlour 15yo 70cl / 40%	malt	\$92
An Cnoc 1990 70cl / 46%	malt	\$90
Balblair 10yo 70cl / 40%	malt	\$79
Balblair 16yo 70cl / 40%	malt	\$89
Ben Nevis 10yo 70cl / 46%	malt	\$101
Bladnoch 13yo / Non Chill Filtered (Cloudy) 70cl / 40%	malt	\$106
Bladnoch 13yo / Non Chill Filtered 70cl / 55%	malt	\$130
Bladnoch 15yo / Non Chill Filtered (Cloudy) 70cl / 55%	malt	\$134
Bruichladdich 14yo / 70cl / 46% / Links III	malt	\$110
Bruichladdich 14yo / 70cl / 46% / Links II	malt	\$110
Bruichladdich 15yo / 70cl / 46%	malt	\$117
Bruichladdich 1989 Full Strength 70cl / 57.1%	malt	\$123
Caol Ila 1978 / 25yo 70cl / 59.4	malt	\$341
Dalmore - Cigar Malt 70cl / 43%	malt	\$99
Glen Grant 10yo 70cl / 40%	malt	\$61
Glenmorangie Traditional 100cl / 57.2%	malt	\$146
Imperial 1982 / 16yo - J Milroy Label 70cl / 50%	malt	\$118
Isle of Jura 1999 / 5yo - Heavily Peated 70cl / 60.6%	malt	\$186
Lagavulin 12yo - Cask Strength / 3rd Release 70cl / 57.8%	malt	\$157
Lagavulin 12yo - Cask Strength / 4th Release 70cl / 58.2%	malt	\$156
Laphroaig Highrove House 70cl / 40%	malt	\$263
Macallan - Cask Strength / Red Label 12x75cl / 58.6%	malt	\$160
Macallan Travel Series 1930's 50cl / 40%	malt	\$91
Macallan Travel Series 1950's 50cl / 40%	malt	\$91
Scapa 14 70cl / 40%	malt	\$95
Stronachie 12yo 70cl / 43%	malt	\$85
Talisker 18yo 70cl / 45.8%	malt	\$134
Talisker 1982 / 20yo - Refill Bourbon 70cl / 58.8%	malt	\$301
Talisker 20yo - 1981 / 70cl / 62%	malt	\$311
Appleton 21yo 70cl / 43%	rum	\$170
Matusalem 15yo - Gran Reserva 70cl / 40%	rum	\$86
Wray & Nephew Overproof 70cl / 63%	rum	\$79
Old Fitzgerald 8yo 70cl / 45%	us	\$71

But be warned...some of these items are in very limited supply!

Incomparable 1961 Macallan To Be Sold At Auction

A rare single bottle of an original 1961 Macallan is one of the many malts, blends and whisky accessories that will come under the hammer at Oddbins Wine April 26th auction.

Other treats for malt aficionado's include older bottlings of Aberlour 10yo, Glen Blair 12 pure malt, Lammerlaw 10, Cameron Brig and an intriguing early edition of Gordon Graham's The Black Bottle.

There's a huge selection of whisky jugs on offer along with an interesting selection 1960's/70's Australian & Scottish bottled blends and a full train set from Jim Beam.

Call Oddbins today for a full list of this spiritous exotica!



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**1st Ex-Ship
Offer Closes
30th April**



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