

STARWARD

STARWARD OCTAVE BARRELS 2018

70CL | 48%

ICONIC AUSTRALIAN SINGLE MALT WHISKY WITH A TWIST

Starward Octave Barrels 2018 forms part of the experimental Starward Projects Series. This bottling has been matured in small, 100L Octave casks, bringing a newfound intensity to the spirit and highlighting the unique ageing program that Starward is renowned for.

NOTES OF STEWED APPLE, ANISEED, AND DRIED FIGS

This whisky opens with notes of stewed apple, aniseed, and dried figs along with ripe stone fruits and candied orange peel. On the palate there is a honeyed sweetness with raisins and sultanas, along with a fresh mint character that expands into the finish, ending with notes of red grapes and prunes.

MATURED IN AUSTRALIAN OCTAVE CASKS

This bottling is fully matured in barrels that previously held The Octavius Shiraz from Yalumba, one of Australia's most iconic wine producers. The small cask size increases the surface area ratio between the wood and the whisky, ensuring a more intense interaction between the two and leading to this powerful and decadent single malt whisky.

A DISTINCTLY AUSTRALIAN WHISKY

Starward was born out of a simple vision: to create a whisky that reflects Australia's unique character. All ingredients are sourced within a day's drive from the distillery; the barley comes from Victoria and South Australia and is malted in Geelong. Melbourne's notoriously variable climate also affects maturation, with temperature swings of up to 12.5°C in a day, ageing the whisky in 'Melbournian years.'

CREATED WITH INNOVATIVE PRODUCTION METHODS

Renowned for their innovation, Starward represents a new generation of whisky makers, with many of the production choices borrowed from craft brewing – brewer's yeast is used for complexity, and a darker malt is chosen to deliver more biscuity characteristics and a luscious mouthfeel.



BEST ENJOYED NEAT

Starward Octave Barrels 2018 is best enjoyed neat or on the rocks to fully appreciate the complexity and decadence of this whisky. For a light, refreshing serve, enjoy in a highball with sparkling water.


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