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Abasolo Mexican Corn Whisky

Mexico and whisky? To many, this initially sounds like tequila with a Scottish accent. However, the Destilería y Bodega Abasolo defies this expectation. In the heart of the Mexican highlands, it is not a classic single malt that is produced here, but a whisky based on nixtamalised corn – an ancient, traditional process used in indigenous cuisine.

TYPE	COUNTRY	DISTILLERY	AGE
Corn	Mexico	Destilería y Bodega Abasolo	NAS
ABV	PRICE/LITER		
43% Vol.	41.42 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

This is no classic Highlander. The fragrance opens with an intense note of roasted corn, almost reminiscent of freshly baked tortillas. This is joined by vanilla, caramel and a hint of Williams pear, before a slightly metallic undertone flashes through – unusual, but full of character. A subtle citrus note brings freshness to the fore, while sweet roasted aromas smoulder quietly in the background. Overall, the nose is both rustic and charming, with a slightly irritating but fascinating depth.

PALATE

On the palate, Abasolo reveals a clear, grainy structure. Roasted corn is unquestionably at the forefront, accompanied by spicy and vanilla nuances. The texture is creamy, almost oily, with a gentle, warming mouthfeel. A hint of wood, a touch of cocoa and a hint of pepper add excitement. The taste remains down-to-earth, honest, somewhat edgy – like a craftsman who prefers to work with fire rather than perfume. This may seem unusual to whisky connoisseurs, but that is precisely what makes it so appealing.

FINISH

The finish remains true to Abasolo's character: corn, milk chocolate, black tea and coffee grounds characterise the aftertaste. The finish is medium-long, pleasantly dry with a hint of bitterness. Here, the whisky shows its serious side – less sweet, more earthy, more cocoa. A rustic finish that, even minutes later, reminds you of the whisky's origins: fire, grain and sun.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

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RATINGS

MARCEL
65/100
Good

SASCHA
68/100
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VALUE FOR MONEY
3/5
Fair

