

WHISKY:EDITION

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Ardbeg An Oa

Named after the Oa Peninsula on the Isle of Islay, Ardbeg An Oa was the first addition to the standard range ten years after the [Ardbeg Corryvreckan](#), having previously focused entirely on limited bottlings. Once again without an [age statement](#), Ardbeg presents us with a Whisky that is even available in a limited barbecue smoker edition. A very good idea, we think, because this way you get the desired smoky flavour even without spices on the barbecue peppers.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Isle of Islay	Ardbeg
AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER	
NAS	46.6% Vol.	71.14 €/l	

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

Tobacco smoke, albeit slightly fruity. In the background we find a lot of subtle aromas - could be an orange or a peach. The creamy caramel that follows is joined by pine resin and wood shavings.

PALATE

At first, we think of grilled vegetables, black tea and tobacco. An interesting combination. Further on, smoked ham, oak and fruitiness are perceptible. The oily mouthfeel is characterised by the ashes of an extinguished campfire.

FINISH

Long, as is usual for an Ardbeg, we have an intensely smoky and very smooth and balanced finish that leaves us tasting smoked ham again.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

Ardbeg An Oa is a true Islay classic for anyone who loves smoky adventures – perfect for barbecues, but not for the faint-hearted. The smoky ham and campfire vibe deliver a drinking experience full of character, even if afterwards you hardly want to enjoy anything else.

SASCHA

With its balanced blend of smoke, fruitiness, and wood, Ardbeg An Oa presents a well-crafted structure that particularly appeals to smoke lovers. The long, gentle finish makes it a complex single malt that is intense yet remains harmonious.

RATINGS

MARCEL 75/100 Very good	SASCHA 83/100 Excellent	VALUE FOR MONEY 4/5 Good
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