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Ardbeg Corryvreckan

As a permanently available Single Malt Whisky, it was considered the most intense Scotch of the Ardbeg distillery for a long time. With a quasi-barrel strength of 57.1 ABV, a pure and a slightly water-stretched tasting is compulsory. Ardbeg Corryvreckan is named after the Corryvreckan whirlpool. This legendary whirlpool forms in the strait between the Jura and the island of Scarba - so at first glance it has nothing directly to do with the island of Islay, the home of the Ardbeg distillery.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Isle of Islay	Ardbeg
AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER	
NAS	57.1% Vol.	95.70 €/l	

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

Very powerful, we have a fir tree-like, spicy savoury scent in our nose at the first sniff. Discreet and not very intrusive, the typical Ardbeg smoke is in the background. After a while in the glass, the perceived aromas change to butter heated in the microwave, a dark, berry fruitiness and some forest honey. With a little water: the sweetish aromas take over. Clearly more vanilla and honey, but also more charcoal and smoked ham. Some sauerkraut in the background.

PALATE

A fruity oil-grease-butter-flavour with sea salt and black pepper lies broadly on the tongue. Butter caramel, ash and campfire float above. At the top are citrus aromas, maybe some bergamot. With a little water: Clearly oilier and with more citrus, but still very sweet, we taste red gummy bears, blueberries and other dark fruits. In the background, clear roasted aromas and a little nut.

FINISH

Deep and powerful, the exceedingly intense Ardbeg remains salty on the palate with a slight peppery spiciness. A certain tarry note resonates. With a little water: More smoke and ash.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

For lovers of intense flavors, the Ardbeg Corryvreckan is a true adventure, delighting with its sweet sherry notes and the characteristic Ardbeg smoke. It is powerful, smoky, and at the same time surprisingly complex – a dram that's fun and memorable.

SASCHA

The Ardbeg Corryvreckan impresses with a complex balance of intense sherry aromas, distinctive smoke, and a precise structure on the palate. The combination of fruitiness, spices, and salty seasoning is technically impressive, yet its sheer intensity means it's not accessible to everyone.

RATINGS

MARCEL
81/100
Excellent

SASCHA
87/100
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY
3/5
Fair

