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Compass Box Ultramarine

Sometimes a whisky stands out not just because of its flavours, but because of the story it tells. Compass Box Ultramarine is just such a whisky - a journey through time and flavour, where old cask maturation meets modern blending techniques. Inspired by ancient flavours, this whisky has a depth that captivates connoisseurs. The basis of this blend was matured once again before the final marriage, with a sherry butt aged for more than 30 years as the centrepiece and a formative proportion of 18.7% Caol Ila.

TYPE	COUNTRY	BOTTLER	AGE
Blended Whisky	Scotland	Compass Box	NAS
ABV	PRICE/LITER		
51% Vol.	505.00 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

A complex aroma unfolds from the very first nosing: a light, ashy peat smoke rises, accompanied by a fresh citrus note reminiscent of lemon and tart grapefruit. But it doesn't stop at fruit and smoke - a hint of leather and herbs combine with hints of cereals and grassy notes that are almost reminiscent of a dense coniferous forest. A flash of sour apple and unripe plum resonate before creamy caramel and fine herbs round off the aroma.

PALATE

The complexity continues on the palate. The whisky is oily and intense, with a full, almost creamy mouthfeel. Dried fruit dominates the opening before apple and pear come through. Roasted almonds provide a subtle nuttiness, while menthol provides a cool contrast. And then it's there again - the cold smoke, which is reminiscent of an extinguished ember and perfectly rounds off the symphony of flavours.

FINISH

The finish is nothing less than spectacular. The blend remains present, with a voluminous depth that is reflected in red fruit flavours, sweet lemon and fine smoke. The wood is perfectly integrated, never over-present, but delicate and elegant.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

Ultramarine is like an exciting film for the senses - full of surprises that delight and leave you wanting more. The balance between smoky spice and fruity sweetness invites relaxed enjoyment without ever becoming dull. A blend that scores with character and charm - definitely a highlight for lovers with an adventurous spirit.

SASCHA

Compass Box Ultramarine impresses with its precise structure and balanced complexity, harmoniously combining smoke, sherry, and citrus notes. The perfect integration of the 30-years sherry butts and Caol Ila component creates a profound, multi-layered blend with a long-lasting finish. A technically impressive example of modern blending artistry with clear balance and subtle cask maturation.

RATINGS

MARCEL
87/100
Excellent

SASCHA
89/100
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY
0/5
No rating

