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Dumbarton Rock Blended Whisky

The independent bottler Dràm Mòr, run by Kenny and Viktorija Macdonald, is mainly known for its unique single cask bottlings. They regularly release not only single malts, but also rum and armagnac. Starting this year, they additionally offer the blended malt Dumbarton Rock. Today we take the time to taste this blend, which consists of five different single malts.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	BOTTLER
Blended Whisky	Scotland	Highlands	Dràm Mòr
AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER	
NAS	46% Vol.	47.50 €/l	

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

This blend beguiles the nose with malty pear and a hint of chocolate, so rich that even the bottle cap becomes envious. A spicy foamy sugar dream, like marshmallows with honey tickle the senses.

PALATE

The Dumbarton Rock doesn't quite know where it wants to be yet. It tastes of grain is oily, like a biscuit with a hit of vanilla honey. The oak gives it a subtle seriousness while it dabbles with a pinch of citrus and a hint of sultanas or figs, sweetly fruity but not too berry. Taste that shows that youth can sometimes be sweet and indecisive!

FINISH

The malt says goodbye with ginger spiciness and lemon acidity in staccato. A finish like when you steal the last piece of shortbread. Thanks to the oak, the finish is short but with a pinch of elegance - a farewell that calls for an encore.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

Dumbarton Rock is a real crowd-pleaser among blends – lively, malty, and with a cheeky ginger spice that leaves you wanting more. It's a whisky that pleasantly surprises with its untamed youthfulness and sweet vanilla notes, even though it could still gain a bit more clarity.

SASCHA

Dumbarton Rock impresses with its balanced interplay between sweet fruity notes and subtle oak, yet its development still feels slightly uncertain. A longer maturation in casks could give the blend the necessary depth and structure to harmoniously unite its complex components.

RATINGS

MARCEL
70/100
Very good

SASCHA
73/100
Very good

VALUE FOR MONEY
4/5
Good

