

# WHISKY:EDITION

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## Nikka The Grain Whisky

Nikka The Grain Whisky was an exciting new release from Japan that is making whisky fans around the world sit up and take notice. This experimental special edition, which was launched in 2023, is a blend of seven different whiskies and, at 48% ABV, offers a powerful yet smooth flavour journey.

| TYPE                 | COUNTRY                   | DISTILLERY   | AGE |
|----------------------|---------------------------|--|-----|
| Blended Grain Whisky | Japan                     | Nishinomiya,<br>Miyagikyo, Moji,<br>Satsumatsukasa | NAS |
| ABV<br>48% Vol.      | PRICE/LITER<br>161.31 €/l |  |     |

### TASTING NOTES

#### NOSE

This whisky exudes charm and lightness from the very first whiff. The nose first encounters a lush coconut note, reminiscent of tropical beaches. A gentle perfume flavour, accompanied by honey and cream toffee, gives the bouquet a seductive sweetness. Banana and vanilla sugar lend the whole a soft, creamy note that emphasises the inviting yet complex character of this whisky.

#### PALATE

In the mouth, Nikka The Grain Whisky initially unfolds with an intense sweetness. The texture quickly becomes creamy and you can feel hints of coconut and almonds - almost as if you were biting into a buttery bite of nut praline. However, the flavour doesn't just remain sweet; it develops an exciting, nutty-spicy dimension with cereal and grain notes that give the whisky structure and depth.

#### FINISH

The finish is rather short, but rich in floral notes and light wood spice flavours. It leaves a hint of almonds and coconut on the tongue, which picks up the impression of the sweet tropical fruit once again.

### THOUGHTS

#### MARCEL

Nikka The Grain Whisky is especially enjoyable in the glass: with its creamy sweetness and tropical notes, it feels like a little getaway. While it lacks that final punch, its lightness and soft character invite relaxed sipping - perfect for warm summer evenings.

#### SASCHA

This blend impresses with its balanced interplay of sweetness, nutty, and floral notes, revealing a clear, structured complexity. Despite the robust ABV, the whisky remains harmonious and well-balanced, though the short finish leaves you hoping for a bit more depth.

### RATINGS

MARCEL  
**79/100**  
Very good

SASCHA  
**77/100**  
Very good

VALUE FOR MONEY  
**2/5**  
Expensive

