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## Octomore 13 Years (2024) The Tasteful 8 - Brühler Whiskyhaus

Octomore - the name is legendary. A synonym for peaty-smoky excesses and at the same time proof that smoke is not just smoke. Year after year, fans wait for new bottlings, experiments with cask maturation, ageing and intense phenol power.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Isle of Islay	Bruichladdich
BOTTLER	AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER
Brühler Whiskyhaus	13 Years	58.1% Vol.	371.00 €/l

### TASTING NOTES

#### NOSE

This whisky takes no prisoners. A clear cereal note mixes with a strong ash flavour reminiscent of a campfire that has gone out. Phenolic, yes - but not overwhelming. Instead, there is a certain maturity, a depth that you don't find in every Octomore. No cutting iodine hit, but a dark, almost oily smokiness.

#### PALATE

One sip and the journey begins: clear, direct and intensely smoky. Anyone who knows Octomore knows that the smoke is not hidden here - it takes centre stage. However, it is not just smoke, but also a surprising sweetness that accompanies the start. This note is almost syrupy on the tongue before being replaced by a slightly citrusy freshness. However, the real highlight is the mouthfeel: clearly astringent - as if the whisky is drawing all moisture out of the mouth and leaving its mark. The high alcohol strength is evident here, but it remains well integrated.

#### FINISH

The finish is, as expected, long and intense. Once again, a wave of smoke rolls over the tongue, this time with a fine, slightly peppery spiciness reminiscent of white pepper. The finish is dry but warm.

### THOUGHTS

#### MARCEL

This Octomore 13 Years is a genuine experience for anyone who loves smoky power with a touch of sweetness and character. The intense cloud of smoke is perfectly complemented by a pleasant freshness and a dry, warm finish - a whisky that leaves you wanting more without putting on airs.

#### SASCHA

The complex balance of profound phenol intensity and delicate sweetness makes this 13-years Octomore bottling a technically impressive Islay whisky. Well-integrated 58.1% ABV and a long, peppery finish underline its structured maturity, even if the astringency doesn't equally please every palate.

### RATINGS

MARCEL  
**81/100**  
Excellent

SASCHA  
**86/100**  
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY  
**0/5**  
No rating

