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Roseisle 12 Years Origami Kite 2 - Diageo Special Releases (2024)

The Diageo Special Releases bring some of the most exciting bottlings to the market every year. In 2024, the Roseisle 12 Years Origami Kite 2 is a whisky from a distillery that was only founded in 2010 and has barely made an appearance as a single malt to date. Scepticism is appropriate - especially with a proud price that competes with established Speyside classics.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Speyside	Roseisle
AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER	
12 Years	55.6% Vol.	183.57 €/l	

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The first impression is characterised by a warm maltiness that combines with honey-like aromas. Apple crumble brings a beautiful, buttery-fruity component into play, while fresh wood and mint provide a certain lightness. A subtle candyfloss note lends the whisky a gentle sweetness. Overall, a pleasant, typical Speyside profile, but without any major surprises.

PALATE

On the palate, the Roseisle 12 Years is unexpectedly herbal, which gives it an interesting, slightly bitter flavour. This is followed by a creamy vanilla ice cream sweetness, which is quickly overlaid by strong oak and spicy ginger. Forest honey provides a pleasant depth and a buttery croissant note gives the whisky a certain elegance. The 55.6% ABV is well integrated, but still gives the whisky a noticeable strength.

FINISH

The finish is long, spicy and dry, with dominant oak and an interesting mix of apricot, sandalwood and cinnamon. A slight white pepper note provides additional spiciness. Not spectacular, but a solid and aromatically well-balanced finish.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

If you're looking for a solid Speyside whisky with a good punch, the Roseisle 12 Year Origami Kite 2 is a pleasant companion that's fun to enjoy at cask strength. However, it lacks that certain something to truly stand out from the crowd - and the price is simply too ambitious for a newcomer.

SASCHA

The Roseisle 12 Year presents a balanced structure with clearly defined malt, herbal, and wood notes, yet it remains conventional and somewhat uninspired. The 55.6% ABV is well integrated, but the value for money suffers due to its limited complexity compared to established Speyside whiskies.

RATINGS

MARCEL
83/100
Excellent

SASCHA
80/100
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY
2/5
Expensive

