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Talisker x Parley - Wilder Seas - XO Cognac Cask Finish (2023)

With Wilder Seas, Talisker has released a special limited bottling that not only impresses with its maritime character, but also with its sustainable mission. In collaboration with Parley for the Oceans, the sale of this edition is intended to help protect over 100 million square metres of marine space.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Isle of Skye	Talisker
AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER	
NAS	48.6% Vol.	51.35 €/l	

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

From the very first sniff, Wilder Seas greets us with an unexpectedly charming note: subtle smoke meets a warm, sweet wave of cognac. This is joined by a maritime, salty freshness reminiscent of a gentle sea breeze. If you take a closer look, you will find dark berries and a pleasant spiciness. Very pleasant and inviting overall - the wild sea seems to be in the distance here.

PALATE

You might expect a powerful, harsh storm on the tongue - but instead there is a surprisingly harmonious interplay of sweet smoke, peppery spice and fruity notes. Sweet smoke, not too intrusive, rather warming and soft, plays with salted caramel and plum - a perfect combination of salty sweetness and fruity freshness. Citrus zest and wet wood add a touch of spice and depth, while herbs make a playful appearance here and there.

FINISH

In keeping with the overall experience, the finish is not a wild storm, but a gentle glide. Very salty, slightly astringent, calm with a hint of seaweed. A beautiful maritime finish that maintains the Talisker DNA.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

Wilder Seas surprises with its gentle nature - not a storm, but a smooth breeze of sweet smoke and maritime notes that's simply enjoyable. For under 40 euros, you get a charismatic Talisker that leaves you wanting more without overwhelming you. Those hoping for a wild sea experience might be disappointed, but in return, you get an all-around pleasant companion.

SASCHA

This bottling impresses with its balanced interplay between a sweet Cognac finish and maritime saltiness, while the 48.6% ABV drinking strength adds precise depth. Despite the evocative name, it lacks some of the expected intensity, positioning this Talisker as a harmoniously structured, elegant single malt with a clear focus on complexity.

RATINGS

MARCEL
81/100
Excellent

SASCHA
81/100
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY
5/5
Excellent

