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Wild Turkey 101

The Kentucky Straight Bourbon Wild Turkey 101 from the distillery of the same name in Lawrenceburg, Kentucky is a cornerstone of American bourbon culture. Without an age statement on the label, it is known to be bottled as a blend of 6-8 years bourbons. We take a closer look at the US classic. The mashbill is composed of 75% corn, 13% rye and 12% malted barley - which leads us to expect a sweetish, slightly spicy whiskey. Like all bourbons, Wild Turkey has to mature in new, freshly burnt-out Virgin Oak casks. 101 stands for American proof alcohol, which translates as 50.5% ABV.

TYPE	COUNTRY	DISTILLERY	AGE
Straight Bourbon	USA	Wild Turkey	NAS
ABV	PRICE/LITER		
50.5% Vol.	28.29 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The whiskey with the turkey on the label opens up with intense aromas of brown sugar and caramel. Behind the slightly pungent smelling alcohol we perceive vanilla, light spiciness, cola and tobacco leaves. The mind pictures a caramel pudding with brittle and a vanilla coke to go with it.

PALATE

In the first moment, the whiskey opens with a neat sugar-popcorn-syrup combination, closely followed by a massively spicy, very powerful kick. The oak and rye are clearly evident here. A liquorice and herb note floats along - somehow the composition reminds us of liquorice sticks with caramel.

FINISH

The finish is surprisingly short, tingles and is furry dry on the back of the tongue.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

Wild Turkey 101 is simply fun - whether neat or in a cocktail, this robust bourbon always brings good cheer to the glass with its sweet and spicy notes. For anyone looking for an uncomplicated yet characterful whiskey, it's the perfect choice.

SASCHA

A technically well-structured bourbon with a clear balance between sweetness, spice, and oak, which holds its own even in mixed drinks thanks to its 50.5% ABV. Wild Turkey 101 impresses as a versatile classic with distinctive aromatics, though the finish could linger a bit longer.

RATINGS

MARCEL
78/100
Very good

SASCHA
80/100
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY
5/5
Excellent

