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Dear Customer

For our August releases we are pleased bring to your attention five (5) new bottlings under the OLD MALT CASK label - two (2) from the OLD & RARE "Platinum" selection - two (2) in the PREMIER BARREL Ceramic - two (2) from the Advanced Sample 20 cl selection - two (2) (45 year) old CLAN DENNY Grains - plus the eighth (8th) release of our Highland Park/Bowmore DOUBLE BARREL.

The Tasting Notes for OLD MALT CASK follow:

OMC1877	CRAIGELLACHIE	CLARET WINE FINISHED	14 year old
Nose:	Opens sweetly with stewed red fruit + plums + marzipan		
Palate:	Round & complex with candied cherries + macerated fruit		
Finish:	Warming finish replicates the palate's fruity sweet quality (J)		
OMC188 1	BRUICHLADDICH		20 year old
Nose:	Sweetly perfumed and salty with a gristy style.		
Palate:	Mouthcoatingly sweet then Malty with mocha tones.		
Finish:	Sweetly toffee'd with light camphor then vanilla (F)		
OMC1880	MANNOCHMORE		20 year old
Nose:	Dryly spiced, perfumed, floral and gristy.		
Palate:	Big and malted - citrus + barley - late barley + honey.		
Finish:	The palate is neatly replicated. (F)		
OMC1882	LINKWOOD		21 year old
Nose:	Opens sweetly - runs to a stewed fruit (banana) & oranges character		
Palate:	Initially spicy & dry + a sweet almond and orange cake style		
Finish:	Long, balanced dry and sweet character with leather, spices and nuts (J)		
OMC1878	GLEN GRANT	BRANDY BUTT FINISHED	35 years old
Nose:	Spicy, fruity, oaked, buttery and "very interesting".		
Palate:	Dry initially - runs to rummed raisins plus a peppery quality.		
Finish:	More fruit, spice, camphor and light smoke. (F)		

(Understated) Tasting Notes for PREMIER BARREL:

PBR0080 HIGHLAND PARK

12 year old

This Highland Park is a hyperbolically and hierarchically high spirited hero (hush-hush to the hankering hoi polloi!) with its halcyon hotch potch of peated panache, feisty fructiferousness and salubriously sympathetic spice with supplementary sweet scented smoke. (F)

PBR0081 MORTLACH

12 year old

May I monopolise, and muse over my munificently and melodiously mollifying Mortlach? Fundamentally, this frisky, flavourful festival of fructiferous fermentation is frankly, fragrant, fabulous, and full of finesse. (F)

OLD & RARE Tasting Notes:

OAR0099 LAPHROAIG

SHERRY MATURED

21 year old

On the nose detect sweetly peated malt plus a distinctly smoked meat style masking some citrus and orange? quality. The palate is initially toffee'd then rolls into rich smoke, bonfire ash and soft summer tar. It finishes in a smoky/damp wood style, clove studied oranges, and even some burnt toast! (F)

OAR0103 MACALLAN

WINE FINISHED

33 year old

The colour reflects its red wine "finish" – similarly apparent on its jammy nose full of macerated summer fruits – which warms to sugary fudge and barley. Those same malt and fruit flavours ebb and flow together then tend towards oak, walnuts and some tannin. The finish is interestingly spiced, and intriguingly smoked – now dry and spiced. (F)

The two (2) 20 cl ADVANCE SAMPLES are:

SMC0370 LAPHROAIG

9 year old

SMC0372 LINKWOOD

13 year old

Bourbon Cask Matured

CLAN DENNY GRAIN Tasting Notes:

DEN0042 GIRVAN

45 year old

Round and full of crushed fruit quality, with bourbon cask/vanilla'd, oily and dunnage warehouse character all through the long, olfactory experience. Palatewise it takes you straight into the USA, with loads of those anticipated vanilla, light oak and buttery flavours – all sweet – coming through. The finish takes the more normal grain (shorter) route, but carries a mini replica of the palate. (F)

DEN0043 CALEDONIAN

45 year old

Fresh, clean, fruity and spicy – with an added fruit box style that all warms to old fashioned hair dressing and toffee smells on the nose. Palatewise it carries macerated fruit, barley sugar and late vanilla flavour – all replicated plus some dried spice on its short finish. (F)

DOUBLE BARREL

DBS0014 HIGHLAND PARK/BOWMORE – 8th Release

We certainly like these releases but more importantly we hope you similarly do. We thank you in advance for your kind consideration.

All best wishes

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Managing Director