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# BOWMORE 1965 / 52 YO

## 2018 Release | Single Malt Whisky

The third edition from the Bowmore 50-Year-Old Vaults Series. This is one of the world's rarest single malts and one that will certainly obtain a legendary status among collectors and whisky enthusiasts alike. The Vaults series explores the characteristics of Bowmore whiskies that have been aged in its No.1 Vaults maturation warehouse which is the oldest in Scotland. The liquid in this bottling was some of the first to pass through Bowmore's then-new steam-heated stills in 1965, which allowed a smoother, more controlled distillation. The extended maturation period of 52 years has created a rare and refined whisky with the perfect blend of complexity and elegance, exemplifying Bowmore's history spent perfecting the art of whisky maturation. The maturation of the whsiky was made in oak casks, previously used for bourbon, sherry or claret, constantly developing flavours until the expertise of their whisky makers considers them ready for bottling Only 232 bottles have been released worldwide, the expression is presented in a hand-blown glass bottle featuring silver accents.

**Tasting notes**

**Color**

Dark amber.

**Aroma**

Fragrant fruits, sweet beeswax and intense dark chocolate.

**Taste**

Burnt heather and fresh spring flower. A touch of jasmine, dried fruit and apricots. Best savoured neat.

**Finish**

Long lasting, with fruity and light smoky aromas.

About the Bowmore Distillery Dating back to 1779, Bowmore is the oldest surviving distillery on the Scottish island of Islay and home to the world's oldest Scotch maturation warehouses, the No. 1 Vaults. Islay malts are renowned for their distinctive smokiness. At Bowmore, the malt is carefully smoked in a peat-fired kiln, according to time-honoured skills acquired over two centuries. Bowmore one of the rare distilleries which still produces its own floor malted barley, hand-turned by a traditional wooden malt shovel and hand-drawn machinery. Today the distillery is owned by Suntory and continues producing whiskies of excellent quality