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KAIYO 5 WOOD

Ocean Matured | Pure Malt Japanese Whisky

Kaiyo The 5 Wood is an ocean-matured pure malt whisky from Japan across five cask types, Pedro Ximénez sherry, ex-bourbon, French oak, Mizunara, and Oloroso, and completed with three months of maturation aboard a vessel at sea, where the ocean swell accelerates wood contact and adds a faint briny lift. The result is a single vatting that captures the full breadth of Japanese malt character in one bottle. 44% volume, 0.7L. HOW IS THE WHISKY MATURED? the five-wood architecture of Kaiyo The 5 Wood is the most complex in the Kaiyo range. Pedro Ximénez contributes dark dried-fruit richness, plum, prune, apricot, while Oloroso adds walnut and savoury depth; ex-bourbon delivers the vanilla and caramel baseline; French oak brings spice and structure; and Mizunara, the most prized and most patient of Japanese woods, weaves its signature sandalwood and incense through the entire assemblage. HOW DO I SERVE WHISKY? serve neat in a Glencairn at room temperature, the five-wood complexity rewards slow exploration. Allow several minutes: the PX and Oloroso fruit settles first, then the Mizunara incense begins to lift. Several drops of water open the bourbon-vanilla mid-palate and reveal the ocean salinity beneath.

Tasting notes

Color

Deep, warm amber gold.

Aroma

A rich, fruited bouquet: ripe fruits (plum, apricot), creamy vanilla and subtle spices.

Taste

A balanced, ample palate on the sweetness of PX and Oloroso sherries, the rich vanilla of bourbon, a spicy edge and sandalwood note of the French oak and Mizunara.

Finish

Finish of notable complexity: fruit, gentle spice, oak, and a light salinity inherited from the three months of ocean maturation.

KAIYO WHISKY Whose name means 'ocean' in Japanese has a distinctive approach to whisky maturation, with a journey for three months at sea in it's casks, exposed to constant rocking motion and saline breeze. This 'ocean maturation' draws both on the tradition of Mizunara casks and on modern innovation: the sea temperature, pressure variations and humidity accelerate and transform the interaction between whisky and wood.