



LINKWOOD 1978 | 37 YEARS

2016 Release | Speyside Single Malt Whisky

Linkwood 1978 is a rare Speyside single malt from Diageo's 2016 Special Releases. The edition comprised 6,114 individually numbered bottles. **MATURATION:** The whisky spent 37 years in refill American oak hogsheads and refill European oak butts. A deliberate choice that preserved the floral, waxy character of the distillate rather than adding wood influence. Refill wood at this age means the oak contributes structure and integration without ever overshadowing the whisky. It was bottled at its natural cask strength of 50.3%. **SUGGESTIONS:** Serve neat in a Glencairn glass, with water alongside to adjust the strength.

Tasting notes

Color

Golden amber with a rose-gold tint.

Aroma

Orchard fruit, honeysuckle and acorn, with a little spice.

Taste

Pear, ginger and clove, with a peppery edge and waxy texture.

Finish

Orchard fruit and gentle spice linger with leathery, malty notes.

LINKWOOD DISTILLERY Linkwood stands on the outskirts of Elgin in Speyside, north-east Scotland. Peter Brown established the distillery in 1821, and distilling began four years later. It now belongs to Diageo. It mainly produces a floral, fruity, elegant distillate that feeds blends such as Johnnie Walker and White Horse. Official bottlings are rare: Linkwood is best known to connoisseurs through independent bottlers.