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Agitator Chestnut Cask

The Agitator distillery from Sweden describes itself as a modern whisky producer. Their stated goal is to break with traditions and use new and unconventional methods to produce high-quality single malt. This includes vacuum distillation, which is supposed to be gentler due to the lower boiling point. Today, we get to try one of their core-range releases: full maturation in a chestnut cask.

TYPE	COUNTRY	DISTILLERY	AGE
Single Malt	Sweden	Agitator Whiskymakare	NAS
ABV 43% Vol.	PRICE/LITER 78.43 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The nose is pleasantly fruity from the start. We find dried forest berries paired with a light sugary caramel note. There's also a subtle acidity, some grape, and a slight charred wood note.

PALATE

On the palate, the malt is creamy soft, remarkably mild, and round. The fruit notes give way to a light vanilla. Now we find distinctly more bitter notes. There's a bit of leather and a somewhat herbal aroma. The wood notes take on a clear burnt tone, creating a smoky experience (not peaty - this is a very unusual type of "smoke").

FINISH

The finish is rather short but extremely mild. Only a slightly tingling but pleasant spiciness remains.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

Agitator Chestnut Cask brings a breath of fresh air to the whisky world and proves that chestnut casks can offer exciting flavor experiences. Its creamy smoothness and unusual smoky note make for an engaging pleasure – you'll want to take another sip again and again. A clear recommendation for anyone who values character and drinking enjoyment!

SASCHA

The Agitator Chestnut Cask strikes a successful balance between fruity and smoky notes, with the chestnut cask maturation adding an interesting structural depth. Despite its mild, rounded profile, there seems to be untapped potential here for more complex cask variations. A promising single malt that well represents innovative maturation methods in the Swedish whisky scene.

RATINGS

MARCEL
77/100
Very good

SASCHA
75/100
Very good

VALUE FOR MONEY
3/5
Fair

