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Bookers Small Batch (2019) 01E

One of the flagships of the Jim Beam distillery is Booker's Bourbon. Supposedly created by Booker Noe, Jim Beam only bottles 4 batches a year. "Uncut and unfiltered" means that we have the full power of a natural bourbon in our glass. Today it's Batch 2019-01E. This is the part of the first 2019 batch that was produced for the European market. The label promises 6 years and 3 months of maturation and almost 63% ABV.

TYPE	COUNTRY	DISTILLERY	AGE
Straight Bourbon	USA	Jim Beam	6 Years
ABV	PRICE/LITER		
62.95% Vol.	142.84 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The aroma load on the nose is a massive wall of caramel, vanilla, brown sugar - all in all an intensely sweet soup. As the nose evolves, softer notes of mint, a little apple and buttered popcorn emerge. The intense, spicy cloud of oak and a light resinous note hover over everything.

PALATE

At first, the viscosity is overwhelming. Booker's presents its oiliness like a syrup. We find the sweetness of caramel, brown sugar and oak again. Dryness spreads over the palate. This is followed by slightly bitter orange, baked apple with vanilla sauce and a finely tuned spiciness of nuts and nutmeg.

FINISH

This Kentucky Straight Bourbon is long lasting. Intense oak combines with a barely perceptible bitterness. At the same time, it is smooth and almost floral, with a hint of dark chocolate.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

If you're looking for a powerful bourbon with plenty of punch and character, Booker's Small Batch 2019-01E is a real heavyweight packed with sweet caramel power and spicy oak. Its intense viscosity demands your full attention but rewards you with drinking pleasure and a hint of dark chocolate - perfect for connoisseurs who enjoy their whisky bold and intense. However, its limited availability turns the drinking experience into a bit of a hunt, which slightly dampens the fun.

SASCHA

Booker's Small Batch 2019-01E impresses with its clear structure and the balanced interplay of intense sweetness, oak spice, and delicate fruit notes, making the bourbon surprisingly well-rounded despite its nearly 63% ABV. The dense texture and long, nuanced finish with hints of bitter orange and dark chocolate showcase the craftsmanship behind it, though the limited availability reduces the practical value of this uncut Kentucky Straight Bourbon.

RATINGS

MARCEL
85/100
Excellent

SASCHA
90/100
World class

VALUE FOR MONEY
4/5
Good

