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Four Roses Small Batch

Bourbon is as much a part of Super Bowl Day in the USA as scotch is on Robert Burns Day in Scotland. For today's Super Bowl match day, we have chosen a standard bourbon that can be enjoyed neat or in a cocktail.

TYPE	COUNTRY	DISTILLERY	AGE
Straight Bourbon	USA	Four Roses	NAS
ABV	PRICE/LITER		
45% Vol.	45.57 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The Four Roses Small Batch opens with a sweet note reminiscent of icing sugar, followed by caramel and maple syrup. Slightly nutty flavours with a splash of citrus join in. On the more savoury side, we find something reminiscent of sourdough and rye.

PALATE

The bourbon is (surprisingly) spicy. Here, too, we think of rye. As in the nose, we find a caramel undertone, as well as sweet notes - similar to a honeydew melon. Of course, vanilla is also present in this bourbon! In general, the mouthfeel can be described as creamy, sweet and spicy.

FINISH

The oaky, spicy finish is medium to long and has some roasted flavours and burnt corn on the cob.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

The Four Roses Small Batch is a pleasant companion for Super Bowl night, without stirring up any strong emotions. It shows character but remains somewhat restrained overall – more of a solid everyday bourbon than a standout. For a bit more excitement in the glass, I'd rather reach for Bulleit or Buffalo Trace next time.

SASCHA

Despite decent spice and a creamy texture, the Four Roses Small Batch lacks the complexity needed to truly impress. The balance between sweetness and rye spice is well done, yet the overall profile feels somewhat linear and predictable. For the price-performance ratio, Bulleit 10 Year or Buffalo Trace offer more structure and depth.

RATINGS

MARCEL
69/100
Good

SASCHA
75/100
Very good

VALUE FOR MONEY
4/5
Good

