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Nikka Coffey Malt Whisky

Japanese whisky has long since established itself as a serious competitor to Scottish and American bottlings. Nikka Coffey Malt Whisky takes a slightly different approach: 100% barley, but distilled in a coffey still - a traditional column still that is usually used for grain whisky.

TYPE	COUNTRY	DISTILLERY	AGE
Blended Malt Whisky	Japan	Nikka	NAS
ABV	PRICE/LITER		
45% Vol.	89.00 €/l		

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The nose is immediately greeted by a sweet vanilla note, as if you were biting into a freshly baked slice of bee sting cake. Caramel and a light spiciness are added, followed by a surprising fruitiness: ripe banana, floral notes and a hint of exotic funk.

PALATE

The first sip confirms the impression from the nose: malty and nutty, with clear roasted flavours reminiscent of hazelnuts. A creamy texture provides a pleasant mouthfeel, while light hay and honey notes add a subtle sweetness. The whole remains accessible and round without becoming too complicated - a whisky that doesn't show off.

FINISH

Here, the Nikka Coffey Malt shows a more reserved side. The flavours fade quickly, but leave behind a pleasant spiciness as well as light fruit notes and vanilla. A little crispy perhaps, but overall a clean, albeit short finish.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

A whisky that's fun without being overwhelming - the Nikka Coffey Malt is like a friendly companion for the evening. Its sweet vanilla notes and creamy texture invite relaxed sipping, even if the experience doesn't quite stand out from the crowd. For anyone looking for an uncomplicated, approachable malt, this is a safe bet.

SASCHA

The Nikka Coffey Malt shows a solid balance between sweet vanilla and fruity banana notes, supported by a fine malty structure. Despite its accessible nature, it lacks the complexity and long finish needed to distinguish itself as an exceptional bottling. For lovers of a harmonious but rather understated Japanese malt, it remains an interesting option.

RATINGS

MARCEL
75/100
Very good

SASCHA
74/100
Very good

VALUE FOR MONEY
3/5
Fair

