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Oban Hand Filled Distillery Exclusive 11 Years Batch 1

When travelling to Scotland and visiting local distilleries, it is almost a must to fill at least one bottle yourself. This is usually offered on site. On our last trip to Scotland, we visited the Oban distillery, among others. As Oban does not have the wide range of core bottlings and is also rarely chosen by independent bottlers, it made sense to fill a bottle there ourselves at cask strength. The question is: Is it actually worth it? We take a closer look at the Oban Hand Filled Distillery Exclusive 11 Years Batch 1.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Highlands	Oban
AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER	
11 Years	53.8% Vol.	200.00 €/l	

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

The Oban 11 years in cask strength seduces with fresh vanilla, floral nuances and sweet honey. Hay-like elements and fruity notes of apple and pear harmonise with an exotic coconut note. A splash of lemon frees the nose, while a surprising olive adds depth to the bouquet. Fresh and intense.

PALATE

After an inspiring nose, the single malt impresses with its creamy texture, dry intensity and nutty charm. Salty accents in the throat complement the sweet vanilla, honeydew melon and delicate caramel flavour. A hint of white pepper with walnut on the palate completes the flavour experience.

FINISH

The finish of the whisky is surprisingly long and intense, carried by fine fresh oak and a pot of white tea. You don't really get that kind of length and intensity from a pure bourbon cask bottling. The warming note is skilfully accompanied by an astringent character.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

A whisky that simply delights with its creamy texture and fruity notes – classic Oban through and through. For enthusiasts seeking something special, this cask strength release is definitely worth the journey, even if it just misses that final kick needed for 90+ points.

SASCHA

The excellent balance between sweet vanilla, salty hints, and the unusually long oak finish reflects a well-considered cask selection, though it falls a bit short of expectations in complexity. For connoisseurs who appreciate structure and intensity, this Oban is a solid example of a well-matured bourbon cask.

RATINGS

MARCEL
86/100
Excellent

SASCHA
87/100
Excellent

VALUE FOR MONEY
0/5
No rating

