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Tomatin (2009/2021) - Gordon & MacPhail

Approachable but not boring – this Highland single malt shows what independent bottlers like Gordon & MacPhail can draw out of a distillery like Tomatin. The Discovery range is designed as an accessible entry point into different whisky styles – smoky, sherried, or fruity. This 2009 Tomatin clearly belongs to the fruity corner – and delivers just that.

TYPE	COUNTRY	REGION	DISTILLERY
Single Malt	Scotland	Highlands	Tomatin
BOTTLER	AGE	ABV	PRICE/LITER
Gordon & MacPhail	NAS	43% Vol.	64.11 €/l

TASTING NOTES

NOSE

A friendly and inviting nose with ripe apples, floral notes, and soft vanilla. Beneath that lie hints of fresh hay and raw cookie dough. Nothing too complex, but clean and pleasant.

PALATE

Surprisingly spicy for 43% ABV, with malty sweetness, honey, a slight waxy texture, and a noticeable oak presence. The mouthfeel is soft but substantial – this isn't a thin whisky.

FINISH

The finish is medium in length, slightly bitter and sweet, with a final echo of gentle fruitiness. The oak lingers but doesn't overwhelm.

THOUGHTS

MARCEL

An uncomplicated Highland Single Malt that's a joy to drink, pleasantly surprising with its fruity sweetness combined with robust oak. A great introduction for beginners, and for connoisseurs, a solid companion without any frills – honest and straightforward, just like a good friend for an after-work drink.

SASCHA

The Tomatin 2009/2021 impresses with a clear structure and a balanced interplay between malty sweetness and dominant oak. Despite its simple aromatic profile, it offers a surprisingly substantial texture, though it remains limited in complexity – a reliable Highland malt for those who appreciate clean lines and approachability.

RATINGS

MARCEL
77/100
Very good

SASCHA
74/100
Very good

VALUE FOR MONEY
3/5
Fair

