

LAPHROAIG

10 YEAR OLD

REGION: ISLAY [HEBRIDES] | AGE: 10 YEARS | ABV: 40%

Laphroaig's infamous flagship expression is a rich marriage of peat, spice and seabreeze aromas. With an intense briny nose of thick peat smoke and succulent liquorice, it opens with medicinal flavours of peat, fig and cordite on the palate. Spicy cardamon and aniseed soon follow with charred coal before a long, dark unctuous finish of smoked kipper and birch tar.

PROPERTIES

type: single malt
 casking: ex-bourbon
 finish: non
 chill filtration: no
 flavour profile: peat spice smoke

25/30

NOSE

intensity mild full
 complexity simple intricate
 diversity limited wide
 lucidity vague vivid

Bouquet

nosefeel peppery
 aromas

- brine
- peat
- seaweed
- liquorice

FINISH

linger short long
 flavour plain full
 notes

- smouldering rubble
- smoked kipper
- birch tar

PAIRINGS



- dark chocolate
- chargrilled red meat
- smoked seafood



body: full
 wrapper: maduro
 e.g: davidoff churchill
 the late hour

ROBE

14/20

hue aged sauternes
 clarity hazy crisp
 Viscometric Potential
 legs thin large
 whirls no effect cloudy
 fast slow

PALATE

21/25

primary salty, sweet
 mouthfeel peppery, furry
 complexity simple intricate
 texture light velvet
 maturity youthful mellow
 opening

- medicinal tcp
- dried fig
- cordite

 heart

- cardamon
- aniseed
- charred coal

EXPERIENCE

10/10

label
 packaging
 cork quality
 occasion
 value

/70cl	
RRP	PAID
\$50	\$35

CONCLUSION

One of Scotland's most famous and iconic expressions, Laphroaig's 10 Year Old is a standard bearer for the Isle of Islay. Loathed by some and cherished by others, it's a must-have whisky for any budding or veteran enthusiast.

TOTAL SCORE
84/100

Scoring Key: Below 40: Mediocre | 41-60: Average | 61-80: Good | 81-100: Outstanding

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