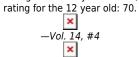


Hirsch Canadian Rye Whisky 8 year old, 43% There are three different Hirsch

Canadian Whisky expressions: 8, 10, and 12 years old. The 8 year old is my pick of the three, with some creamy vanilla, biscuit, subtle caramel, and a hint of honey. The alcohol is quite dominant and the finish unrefined with solvent-like notes. The 10 and 12 year olds express less flavor complexity and are somewhat harsh on the finish. They're not good enough to drink neat or on the rocks and too expensive to drink as a mixer (\$38 for the 10 year old; \$44 for the 12 year old.). Rating for the 10 year old: 72;



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