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Glenfarclas Family Cask × 1981 (Cask #57) 50.8%

This is a refill (or in 'Farclas terms, 'plain') hogshead, so there is less wood on show and more distillery. The nose is like a gentleman's club at lunchtime: roasting meat, some pipe tobacco, polished wood, and the scent of a freshly-dug garden wafting through the windows. The palate shows slightly more fresh fruitiness (in line with the 1971 cask). There's decent grip; think treacle this time. Fluxes and changes, which makes it all the more intriguing. £246





