



Hanyu Ace of Clubs



2000

59.4%

Ichiro loves Japanese oak (mizunara) and here's a finished example. You need water, however, to be able to discern those characteristic incense notes.

Without it, you're in a world of vanilla and resin. The neat palate is hot but firm, with some red fruits and an allspice note. Water is needed, and does allow a fresh acidity to come through on the finish; sadly it also adds tannic bitterness. A tricky balancing act.

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