

Seven Stills Fireweed 59.5%

Distilled from an "aggressively hopped" IPA, aged in new charred oak, and finished in Islay scotch casks. Cured and grilled meat on the nose—I'm reminded of Lexington, NC-style barbecue—along with chicory coffee and apple blossom. Hoppy and piney flavors reveal the beer wash and are joined by orange, lemon Pine-Sol, pecans, chocolate, oak, black pepper, and restrained smoke. The finish brings it all in: smoked oak, zingy lemon, bittersweet chocolate, and hops. This whiskey will have its fans and detractors; in context, it offers unique and enjoyable flavors. 396



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