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Buffalo Trace Experimental Collection 14 year old, Coarse Grain Oak, 45%

Aged in fast-growth wood. Quite the antithesis of the "Fine Grain Oak" release above; the comparison is interesting. Darker fruit (plum, blackberry), and darker sugars (maple syrup, toffee). Resinous and becoming quickly dry on the palate, with leather, tobacco leaves, grapestem tannins, barrel char, and dried spice. A heavier, more textural bourbon than the Fine Grain Oak expression. I like this whiskey a lot until the dry, leathery oak notes begin to dominate the latter half of the palate. That, my friend, is the coarse grain oak in action.



