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Europeans have been distilling spirits for hundreds of years. It first started with the monks, who used spirits for religious and medicinal purposes—but quickly discerned it's recreational appeal.

More known for their love of grapes, Europeans looked to more readily-available grains, such as wheat and barley, when the fruit became scarce in the mid 1800s. Once they began aging the spirits (usually in old wine barrels), the modern whisky age was born. The Irish started crafting first. Then the Scots perfected the single malt, but there are great whiskies all over other parts of Europe as well. Below are a few . . .

Armorik (*Bretagne, France*)

Breton Single Malt Whisky	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 16
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Millstone (*Baarle-Nassau, Netherlands*)

Dutch Single Rye Whisky	100.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 32
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The English Whisky Co. (*Norfolk, England*)

Peated Single Malt Whisky	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 22
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Classic Single Malt Whisky	121.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 22
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Brenne (*Cognac, France*)

French Single Malt Whisky, Aged 10 Years	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 18
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SINGLE MALT = ONE (1) SINGLE MALT (BARLEY) USED IN RECIPE AND FROM ONE (1) SINGLE DISTILLERY.

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SCOTLAND

Just as bourbon can only be made in the U.S., Scotch can only be made in Scotland. It must be made with water and malted barley, and be aged in oak casks for a minimum of (3) years. The type of oak barrel does not matter.

There are (6) distinct regions of Scotland: **Highlands**, **Lowlands**, **Campbeltown**, **Islay**, **Speyside** and **The Islands**, although the latter is not recognized by the SWA (Scotch Whisky Association). Typically (but not always) these regions will share similar styles in their single malt whiskies. If a Scotch is not listed in one of these regions, such as **Cutty Sark** or **Compass Box**, it usually means it is a blend, using many different Scotch whiskies from around the country to make their recipe.

Ancnoc (*Highland*)

Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 12 Years	86.0 pf	\$ 20
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Peter Arkle Series	92.0 pf	\$ 24
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, "Rutter"	92.0 pf	\$ 30

The Arran Malt (*Isle of Arran*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Sherry Cask Finish, Aged 11 Years	110.8 pf	\$ 24
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Amarone Cask Finish	100.0 pf	\$ 26
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, 12 Year, Cask Strength	106.4 pf	\$ 31
Machrie Moor Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Peated	92.0 pf	\$ 31

Ardbeg (*Islay*)

Islay Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 10 Years	92.0 pf	\$ 23
Islay Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Perpetuum	94.8 pf	\$ 37

Auchentoshan (*Lowland*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, American Oak	80.0 pf	\$ 12
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Balvenie (*Speyside*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, DoubleWood, Aged 12 Years	80.0 pf	\$ 24
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Caribbean Cask, Aged 14 Years	86.0 pf	\$ 27

Ben Nevis (*Highland*)

Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 15 Years	112.2 pf	\$ 16
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Caol Ila (*Islay*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Stichel Reserve, Cask Strength	119.2 pf	\$ 42
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Compass Box (*Chiswick, London*)

Great King Street, Artist's Blend - Blended Scotch Whisky	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 14
Great King Street, Glasgow Blend - Blended Scotch Whisky	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 15
Oak Cross - Blended Malt Scotch Whisky	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 20
Spice Tree - Blended Malt Scotch Whiskey	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 22
Hedonism - Blended Grain Scotch Whisky	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 34
Lost Blend - Blended Malt Scotch Whisky	82.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 34
Flaming Heart - Blended Malt Scotch Whisky	99.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 40
This is not a Luxury Whiskey - Blended Scotch Whisky	106.2 <i>pf</i>	\$ 68

Cutty Sark (*Glasgow*)

Blended Scotch Whisky, Prohibition Edition	100.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 14
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The Dalmore (*Highland*)

Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 12 Years	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 22
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 15 Years	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 35
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Cigar Malt Reserve	88.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 44
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, King Alexander III	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 80
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 18 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 84


Dewar's (*Aberfeldy*)

White Label Blended Scotch Whisky	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 10
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Glen Garioch (*Highland*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, 1797 Founder's Reserve	96.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 16
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 25 Years	109.2 <i>pf</i>	\$ 102

Glenmorangie (*Highland*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, "The Original" 10 Years Aged	86.0	\$ 20
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Nectar d'Or	 92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 29
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 18 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 48
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Signet	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 75
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 25 Years	94.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 176

Highland Park (*Orkney Islands*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Dark Origins, Sherry Cask	93.6 <i>pf</i>	\$ 30
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Fire Edition, Aged 15 Years	90.4 <i>pf</i>	\$ 109
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Ice Edition, Aged 17 Years	107.8 <i>pf</i>	\$ 109



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Jura (*Isle of Jura*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky (Diurach's Own), Aged 16 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 27
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Lagavulin (*Islay*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, 200th Anniversary, Aged 8 Years	96.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 25
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 16 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 30
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Double Matured	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 38

Laphroaig (*Islay*)

Islay Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 10 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 15
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Lismore (*Speyside*)

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, "The Legend", Aged 21 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 30
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The Macallan (*Speyside*)

Highland Single Malt Scotch Whiskey, 12 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 24
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Edition No. 1	96.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 35
Highland Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Edition No.2	96.4 <i>pf</i>	\$ 38

Monkey Shoulder (*Speyside*)

Blended Malt Scotch Whisky	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 12
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Mortlach (*Speyside*)

Single Malt, Rare Old	86.6 <i>pf</i>	\$ 54
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Samaroli (*British Guiana*)*

Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Miltonduff, Aged 10 Years	90.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 108
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Glen Garioch, Aged 23 Years	90.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 128
Single Malt Scotch Whisky, Coal Ila, Aged 17 Years	90.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 270

Speyside (*Speyside*)

The Single Highland Malt Scotch Whisky, Aged 12 Years	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 14
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The Classic Cask (*Sunrise, Florida*)*

The Classic Cask, Macallan, 21 Years Aged	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$ 123
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ALTHOUGH THEY AREN'T BASED IN SCOTLAND, COMPANIES LIKE SAMAROLI AND "THE CLASSIC CASK" SOURCE SOME OF THE BEST WHISKY FROM THE FINEST DISTILLERIES ON THE ISLAND TO BOTTLE, MARKET AND SELL FOR THEMSELVES.

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IRELAND

The Irish were the first to start distilling whiskey, but after a long war for independence and consequently, a vicious civil war, the whiskey-making business took a large hit, turning hundreds of distilleries into only a handful. Irish whiskey is making a comeback, however, with brands like **Jameson** and **Teeling** leading the charge.

Irish whiskey is made similarly to Scotch; distilled with malted barely and aged in oak casks for a minimum of (3) years. But due to taxation of malted barely in the 1800s, the Irish started incorporating un-malted barley into their recipe. That, along with the common triple-distillation, gives Irish whiskey a lighter and more approachable flavor, with hints of fruit and grass.

Like Scotch, Irish whiskey has some single malt varieties (**Quiet Man**), and also some blends (**Tullamore D.E.W.**), but they also add a third category to the mix with the single pot still reserve (**Green Spot**). Here, they are free to use any grain they like, but it must all be distilled from a single-pot still, similar to bourbon.

Donegal Estates (Donegal County)

Blended Irish Whiskey	80.0 pf	\$	12
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The Irishman (County Carlow)

Single Malt Irish Whiskey, Aged 12 Years	86.0 pf	\$	22
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Jameson's (Dublin)

Jameson's Irish Whiskey	80.0 pf	\$	12
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Kilbeggan (Kilbeggan)

Single Grain Irish Whiskey	86.0 pf	\$	12
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Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey (Midleton, County Cork)

Green Spot, Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey	 80.0 pf	\$	21
Yellow Spot, Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey	92.0 pf	\$	33
Redbreast, Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey, Aged 15 Years	 92.0 pf	\$	34
Midleton, Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey, Very Rare 2015	80.0 pf	\$	66
Midleton, Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey, Very Rare 2013	80.0 pf	\$	66
Midleton, Single Pot Still Irish Whiskey, Barry Crockett Legacy	92.0 pf	\$	93



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The Sexton (*Ireland*)

Single Malt Irish Whiskey	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	18
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Slieve Foy (*County Louth*)

Single Malt Irish Whiskey, 8 Years Aged	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	16
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Teeling (*Dublin*)

Irish Whiskey, Small Batch	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	14
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Irish Whiskey, Single Grain	92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	17
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Irish Whiskey, Single Malt	 92.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	19
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Tullamore D.E.W. (*Tullamore*)

Irish Whiskey, Phoenix, Limited Edition	110.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	20
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The Tyrconnell (*Kilbeggan*)

Single Malt Irish Whiskey	86.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	14
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Single Malt Irish Whiskey, 10 Years Aged, Madeira Cask Finish	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	20
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Single Malt Irish Whiskey, 10 Years Aged, Port Cask Finish	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	20
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Single Malt Irish Whiskey, 10 Years Aged, Sherry Cask Finish	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	20
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Single Malt Irish Whiskey, 16 Years Aged	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	25
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Quiet Man (*Derry, N. Ireland*)

Single Malt Irish Whiskey, 8 Years Aged	80.0 <i>pf</i>	\$	16
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