



## **INTRODUCTION TO MIZUNARA: THE PRIVATE CASKS COLLECTION**

Welcome to an exclusive tasting experience with Mizunara's Private Casks collection. Each whisky in this selection has been carefully chosen for its distinctive character, providing an exploration of rich flavours, age, and maturation techniques across regions. These rare bottlings are all at natural cask strength, offering the purest expression of the distillery's craftsmanship.

For this masterclass, we will guide you through these unique whiskies in ascending order of ABV, allowing your palate to adjust and fully appreciate the complexities of each dram. Let's embark on this journey through Mizunara's finest, from the elegant notes of Scotland's Arran to the bold intensity of Japan's Mars Komagatake and Asaka distilleries.



### **Arran Single Malt Scotch Whisky**

Scotland \* ABV 52.9%

Our journey begins with this beautifully aged 15-year-old Arran Single Malt. Matured in a sherry hogshead, this whisky offers a balanced combination of rich raisins, malty cereals, and ripe fruits. Its long, refined finish introduces your palate to the nuanced complexity of natural cask strength.



### **Pokeno (First Fill Bourbon & PX) New Zealand Single Malt Whisky**

New Zealand \* ABV 55.8%

Moving on to New Zealand, this double-wood Pokeno Single Malt marries bourbon and PX sherry cask influences. Expect bold flavors of dark chocolate, citrus, dried fruit, and black forest gateaux, followed by a deep, long finish. It's a rich, indulgent whisky, perfect for those who enjoy a balance of sweetness and spice.



### **Mars Komagatake Single Malt Heavily Peated Japanese Whisky**

Japan • ABV 61%

As we venture into higher ABVs, this Mars Komagatake Single Malt offers an intense, peated profile. Notes of lemon tart, salted caramel, and earthy peat smoke take center stage, with a finish full of warm spices and dark chocolate. The whisky's robust, smoky nature is balanced by a layer of sweetness, making it a delightful contrast in flavors.



### **Yamazakura Asaka Single Malt Japanese Whisky**

Japan • ABV 62%

We conclude with the most intense expression of the evening. The 62% ABV Yamazakura Asaka Single Malt from Sasanokawa Shuzo delivers fresh and fruity aromas, with flavors of honey, green apples, and buttery oak spices. A complex, layered finish rounds off this powerful yet elegant single cask whisky, leaving a lasting impression.