



ARDNAHOE

— DISTILLERY —

ISLE OF ISLAY, SCOTLAND

PRIVATE CASK SALES 2020



Introduction

Ardnahoe Distillery is the ninth malt whisky distillery on the world-renowned whisky island of Islay and began producing spirit in late 2018.

Family-owned Ardnahoe was purpose-built over a period of two years in an idyllic greenfield location in the north of the island, to produce the finest Single Malt Scotch Whisky possible in the classic Islay style.

In 2020 we will be pleased to offer a limited number of private individuals the opportunity to purchase their own cask of Ardnahoe spirit, to be bottled in due course as an exclusive, personalised expression of Ardnahoe Islay Single Malt Scotch Whisky.





The Isle of Islay

Situated off the west coast of Scotland, the Isle of Islay is known as "The Queen of the Hebrides" and is of course strongly associated with Malt Whisky production.

As much of the island is covered in deep peat bogs, Islay peat has been and is still used as the fuel to malt the barley for most of the whisky produced here.

As a result, Islay whiskies have come to be highly regarded for their rich, smoky, maritime character – the most intensely flavoured and distinctive of all scotch whiskies.

Islay Single Malt Whiskies are revered and enjoyed all around the world.



Family – Owned

Ardnahoe Distillery is wholly owned by Glasgow-based blenders and bottlers, Hunter Laing & Co. Ltd run by Stewart Hunter Laing and his sons Scott and Andrew.

As a family we have been involved in the whisky industry since Stewart's father Frederick founded his own whisky blending and bottling company in the 1940s and as a result Hunter Laing & Co. Ltd has inherited wonderful cask stocks of whiskies dating back as far as the 1960s from distilleries all over Scotland.

Stewart has himself spent well over 50 years in the whisky business and Hunter Laing & Co. Ltd is a member of the Scotch Whisky Association, specialising in both Blended Scotch Whisky and single cask bottlings of Single Malts.

Our family have connections to Islay, with ancestors on Stewart's mother's side having

lived in Bowmore in the 18th and 19th centuries, and both Stewart and Andrew undertaking periods of distillery training at Bruichladdich Distillery – in the 1960s and 2000s respectively.

Having had for so many years a great appreciation for Islay Malts, it was always our dream to one day create our own. Finally, in 2015 we took the far-reaching decision to build our own Islay distillery and make the dream a reality, having identified the perfect location at Ardnahoe.

Family ownership lends itself especially well to a whisky distilling business with its requirements for passion, commitment to excellence and a particularly long-term outlook. We are committed to making Ardnahoe Single Malt Whisky a paradigm of quality, fully in keeping with its Islay provenance.





Ardnahoe

Ardnahoe – which means “Height of the Hollow” in Scottish Gaelic and gives Ardnahoe Distillery its name, is a location of breath-taking beauty, situated on the North-East coast of Islay equidistant between Caol Ila and Bunnahabhain Distilleries.

Loch Ardnahoe, reputedly the deepest loch on Islay, is situated directly behind the distillery and provides the water necessary for making the spirit itself and cooling the vapour as it comes off the stills.

The distillery is built into the side of a gentle slope on a four-acre site, with vistas over the Sound of Islay, the majestic Paps of Jura and out towards the isles of Colonsay and Mull beyond. A truly inspirational setting in which to distil an extraordinary whisky.



The Distillery

Ardnahoe Distillery was expertly designed to enable the distillation of a top-class Islay Single Malt Whisky as well as to provide a visitor experience that is both hugely enjoyable and illuminating.

Ardnahoe employs a copper-domed mashtun, wooden washbacks and copper pot-stills with rare worm-tub condensers, all of which were produced in Scotland to the exacting specifications of our Master Distiller, the legendary Jim McEwan.

The Spirit

Ardnahoe's new-make spirit exhibits typical Islay characteristics of peat smoke and bonfire notes, coming from the barley which is peated on Islay to around 40ppm of phenols. Along with a pleasant fruitiness, the Ardnahoe spirit has a lovely complexity and flavour development – due in part to the use of worm-tub condensers. This style of spirit will mature wonderfully into single malt whisky in both ex-bourbon and ex-sherry casks.



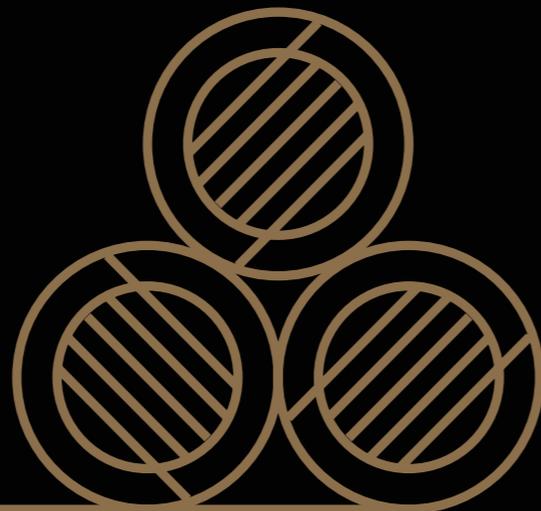
Opportunity

In 2020 Ardnahoe Distillery will offer a limited number of sherry casks of new spirit for sale to private individuals, with fillings commencing in January. The casks, fresh European oak oloroso sherry hogsheads of about 250 litres capacity, will contain the same peated new spirit as that which will eventually comprise the core output of the Ardnahoe brand.

The price of £11,000 per cask will include full insurance and storage for ten years. Cask samples will be drawn on request and charged at standard industry rates. At the appropriate time, Hunter Laing & Co. Ltd will bottle the cask at standard industry rates of bottling. The owner will be able to have the labels personalised with their name, company logo, family crest etc, and would expect to receive around 370 bottles after ten years of maturation, if bottled at 46% alcohol, or around 295 bottles if bottled at natural cask strength.

As the whisky will be held under bond, no VAT or Excise Duty will be due until the whisky is removed from bond.

We are now accepting pre-orders and invite lovers of Islay and its whiskies to join us as we continue to write the first chapters in the story of Islay's newest distillery.



Ardnahoe Distillery Cask Sales of New Spirit Order Form

Upon receiving your completed form, an invoice will be sent to you to collect payment in full. A certificate of ownership confirming the cask number and filling date will be sent to you when the Cask is filled.

Your details as purchaser and cask owner:

Title: First Name: Surname:

These details will be included on the certificate of ownership. Please give full name and title – this must be an individual who is of legal age for consuming and purchasing alcoholic beverages. If you are buying the Cask as a future gift for someone who is not yet of legal age, the certificate may state [your name] for [name of recipient]. Please note that Ardnahoe will deal only with the adult named here as owner until you confirm that the Cask has been transferred to the recipient after they have reached legal age.

Address:

Postcode/Zip Code: County/State:

Country: Email:

Tel: Mobile Tel:

Details for plaque affixed to end of Cask:

Unless you specify otherwise, this will be the name of the purchaser and cask owner named above.

I wish to purchase the following cask(s) of new-make spirit from Ardnahoe Distillery

Quantity: Price Per Cask: £11,000 Total Price:

I confirm that I have read and understand the document "Ardnahoe Distillery Cask Sales of New Spirit Terms and Conditions"

Signed:

Please detach this completed form and post it to
Ardnahoe Private Cask Sales, 16 Park Circus, Glasgow, G3 6AX, UK
or scan and email it to casks@ardnaoedistillery.com

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