

# Sheep Dip Whisky

Sheep Dip is a small batch, handcrafted, premium blended Scotch whisky created by Richard Paterson, Scotland's only 3rd generation master blender.

Inspired by the illicit distilling practiced by farmers of old, it marries together 16 single malt whiskies in an enigmatically refined blend that packs plenty of punch.

## Intriguingly Crafted Blended Scotch

We firmly believe that a great whisky needn't be the product of an individual distillery; nor should its age be a measure of quality.

We use a blend of whiskies, each aged in the finest quality, first-fill wooden barrels for between eight and twenty-one years. Every malt contributes unique characteristics to produce our exceptional, multi-award winning blended Sheep Dip whisky.

British farmers have long referred to whisky as 'sheep dip'. This harks back to an era when farmers distilled their own 'homemade' whisky and hid it in barrels marked 'sheep dip' to avoid paying tax on their illicitly produced alcohol.

Farmers' merchants continued the tradition by entering cases of whisky as 'sheep dip' on the farmers' bills, thus 'pulling the wool' over the eyes of the tax man and the farmers' wives!

## What the Critics Say

"Young and sprightly like a new-born lamb, this enjoys a fresh, mouth watering grassy style with a touch of spice; maligned by some but to me a clever, accomplished vatting of alluring complexity"

- Jim Murray, 2006 Whisky Bible

## Vital Statistics

- 🍷 40% ABV
- 🍷 Premium blended Scotch whisky
- 🍷 Available in premium 70 CL & 75 CL bottles with cork stopper, memorable branding & gift carton; also available in 5CL sample bottles
- 🍷 'Original Oldbury' Sheep Dip whisky is woven from 16 different Highland, Island & Speyside malts aged 8-21 years



## Tasting Notes

Colour: Rich and golden with copper highlights.

Nose: Delicate and refined. Soft, sensual floral notes arise in perfect harmony, supported by a charming array of delicious fruit flavours. Nuances of melon, pear and orange can be identified before a hint of almond on the finish.

Taste: Finesse and elegance gives way to a majestic assertion of pure malty flavours drawn from the principal distilling regions of Scotland. Each area forges and makes its own inimitable contribution to this outstanding pure malt blend - the main expressions hailing from the Highlands and Speyside Valleys.

## Serving Suggestions

Enjoy Sheep Dip neat, with a splash of water or over ice. This whisky also mixes beautifully, and makes a fine cocktail ingredient. Whichever way you serve it, Sheep Dip makes a great aperitif.

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