

**Master of Malt
Speyside Single Malt 40
year old**

40%

A similar story to the 30 year old. Despite a truly excellent nose, this time more sherry influences dominate: think of polished wood, damsons, and a little menthol/camphor and resinous oak. Once again, the palate seems to be slightly dumber than I'd want from a venerable whisky that should be about elegant, complex expression. It's balanced, just a little faded. Again, maybe higher strength might have done the trick. £140

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