

**Gordon & MacPhail
(distilled at Mortlach)
15 year old**

43%

Another catch-up from G&M, this time from the 'Beast of Dufftown.' Immediate substance and solidity, which is what you want from Mortlach, but there's also thick-cut marmalade and cumin. Only with water, however, does the classic meatiness emerge—like a lamb tangine with apricot. A cleaner, slightly lighter side to the Flora & Fauna 16 year old, but with heft and a burnt licorice sweetness. A great introduction to a classic distillery.

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