

## **Signatory (distilled at Caol Ila) 1984**

**54.7%**

Clearly Caol Ila; it's the way that the oily smokiness seems to lean into the nose, bearing with it wet oilskins, a barely smoldering wood fire, light seashore elements (drying crab shells), and very pure fruit, which then opens to classic smoked ham aromas.

Retronasally, there's a touch of green pea pod. The smokiness is more assertive than normal on the tongue, with olive oil, deep fruits, and a pine-scented juniper note.

Another belter. (*The Whisky Exchange only*) £155

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