

Bruichladdich Bere Barley 2008

50%

Bere is an ancient strain of barley which is stubbornly difficult to grow and mash. For this,

Bruichladdich has gone to a specialist farm on Orkney. The nose is intriguingly aromatic, sweet and slightly corn-like, with a sweet nuttiness behind. It

becomes very floral (night-scented stocks) with white currant, lemon sherbet, and a lift of tangerine before water brings out *sakura* (cherry blossom) syrup and bread.

The palate is very sweet and concentrated. Remarkable. Keep watching. £52

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