

Glenfiddich 15 year old
40%

I used to find this a little lacking in structure. Either I've changed my palate (or was always wrong), or the solera's slow changes have added depth and complexity. The nose is all cooked plums, with some blueberry, stewing rhubarb. All is delicately scented, with some currant leaf, then sultana and sweet dried fruits. The palate is equally fruity—more hedgerow fruits now—but there's grip and a little fresh acidity to balance.

Hugely appealing and approachable.

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