

## Laphroaig 15 year old 40%

Brought back as a celebration of the distillery's 200th anniversary and, in the vein of other 15 year old expressions, is somewhat restrained. Rather than big phenols there's an aroma of lanolin, sautéed scallop, fleshy fruit, and real sweetness. The palate shoes some oozing oils and a whiff of creosote, but this is a tea party rather than a wild *ceilidh*. Maybe bottling at 46% would have given the drive that's missing.

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