

## **Smokey Joe Islay Malt**

**46%**

Like sniffing fine soil running through your fingers, with creamy milk chocolate, baked fruit, mild spices, and pungent, acrid smoke that catches the back of the throat. Baked apple, pear, sultana, and cocoa, but then there's the smoke: an inferno of caustic, thick peat smoke and astringent pepper, the dark recesses of the mouth beginning to blacken. It's like throwing a punch in slow motion. Try it. (*Total Wine exclusive*)

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