

Whisky

ADVOCATE

88

Cardhu

1997 vintage, 57.3%

Matured in a bourbon cask. Cardhu has always been a pleasant, but uninspiring, whisky to me. This is one of the best Cardhu whiskies I've tasted -- richer and more distinctive. (At this price, it had better be!) It's clean and tight, with orange, tangerine, lemon gumdrops, ginger, delicate honey, butterscotch, and vanilla, with a dusting of powdered sugar. Straightforward, pleasing finish.

(252 bottles) **£250**

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