

**Duncan Taylor (distilled  
at Bunnahabhain) 1997  
vintage 12 year old**

**46%**

More mature peated Bunnahabhain Islay whiskies are emerging (like this one). Indeed, tarry, peat ash notes are evident throughout this one (especially on the finish!), along with nutty toffee, nougat, smoked olive, glazed ginger, and candied lime.

Pretty even-keeled, not as medicinal and aggressive as its cousins on the southern end of the island. The smoke and layered sweet notes balance nicely. If you're looking to ease your way into smoky Islay whiskies, this would be a good start.

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