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American Oak Westland - Single Malt Whiskey 750ml

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About Westland American Oak Single Malt Whiskey

A flagship malt is an essence, the heart and soul of a distillery. **Westland** championed the American single malt movement with a visionary spirit. Their special flagship American oak aged release is the cornerstone of the distillery's house style, and a testament to this new paradigm shift in whiskey.

Westland was co-founded by Matt Hofmann in 2010 in Seattle, WA. Westland Distillery mashes, distills, matures and bottles American Single Malt Whiskey in the heart of the Pacific Northwest. Matt Hofmann— Westland's co-founder, Master Distiller, and honorary pioneer of the American Single Malt whiskey movement— fell in love with the single malt after going to Islay and experiencing the golden drams of Islay.

The distillery is situated in the SoDo neighborhood of Seattle, Westland's 13,000 square foot distillery boasts a 5,000 mash-house, five 10,000 liter fermenters and two copper pot stills. It's here where Matt Hofmann makes the distillery's core American Single Malt Whiskey. Like single malt Scotch, American single malt whiskey is made using a malted barley, made at a single distillery. American single malt whiskeys, however, are less regulated, allowing more room for experimentation.

"We want to take these things and push them in a new direction," Matt Hofmann says. "We're playing by the same rules as those in Scotland—it's the same four ingredients—but there's so much that's untapped. We do not want to replicate. We want to make an American single malt." Following in the Scottish tradition, the award-winning distillery— producing both peated and unpeated whiskeys.

Westland American Oak Single Malt Whiskey is made from five exceptional roasted and kilned barley malts the base of which is pale malt grown right in the state of Washington. Drawing inspiration from the rich brewing culture of the Pacific Northwest, several specialty malts (Munich Malt, Extra Special Malt, Pale Chocolate Malt and Brown Malt) are then added before the resulting mash is fermented with a Belgian brewer's yeast for 144 hours. Then, the whiskey is distilled through Westland's copper-pot stills and aged in a combination of Cooper's Select New American Oak, Cooper's Reserve New American Oak, and first fill ex-bourbon barrels.

Westland's single malt is completely approachable in light of its merits. This flagship expression has won countless awards, its critical acclaim a further testament to the quality of this distinguished expression. Among these awards; Chairman's Trophy/96 Points, 2016 Ultimate Spirits Challenge, 95 Points, 2015 Jim Murray's Whisky Bible. Double Gold Medal, 2014 SF World Spirits Competition, and Gold Medal/93 Points, 2015 Beverage Tasting Institute.