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Press release

Ultimate online tasting on 28 December 2024: four fascinating new products and the chance to win a 30-litre whisky cask

St. Kilian Distillers presents a brilliant end to the year with whisky enjoyment at the highest level

Rüdenau, December 2024

On Saturday, 28 December 2024, at 7 pm, St. Kilian Distillers invites you to a spectacular online tasting to say goodbye to the year with a veritable firework display of flavours. Four fascinating new single malt whiskies promise unforgettable moments of enjoyment at the highest level, while the renowned panel of experts offers exciting insights into the world of distilling. Master Distiller Mario Rudolf, whisky connoisseur Dr Heinz Weinberger, Brand Ambassador Christoph Albietz, Director of Communication & Brand Development Andreas Kreser and St. Kilian Distillers Fellow Juliane Weber will host this extraordinary evening live from Rüdenau, which every whisky fan will remember for a long time!

At the centre of the tasting are four exclusive new products that impressively demonstrate the innovative strength and diversity of St. Kilian Distillers. Particularly noteworthy is the first peated Mizunara full maturation from the St. Kilian Exceptional Range, which sets a real milestone with its combination of smoky flavours and Japanese elegance. This rare edition is probably the first peated, non-Japanese single malt whisky to be fully matured in a virgin Mizunara oak cask.

In addition, the eagerly awaited Signature Edition FOURTEEN will be presented – an impressive continuation of the success story of the popular series. This single malt whisky celebrates the neighbouring country of France by maturing in exquisite casks that were previously filled with fine French wines and distillates.

An exclusive single cask bottling from an ex Champagne Vin Clair barrique will also be part of the tasting – a refined, unpeated dram that impresses with its complexity and is perfect for toasting a glittering 2025 with popping corks. Another highlight is the second peated edition from the unique Whisky Solera by St. Kilian, which skilfully combines the balance between smoke, sherry and complexity. With the third bottling in the series so far, collectors can build or expand their own solera by stacking the round packaging tubes in a pyramid shape for an impressive presentation.

The line-up will be complemented by three further selected single malt whiskies to make the evening even more varied. The two popular classics from the St. Kilian Core Range – CLASSIC - Mild & Fruity and PEATED - Rich &

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Smoky – are just as important as the current, gently smoky Judas Priest Heavy Metal Edition ‘Invincible Shield’. The creamy ADVOCAT egg liqueur, refined with St. Kilian single malt whisky, provides a sweet finish.

Raffle: 30-litre customer cask as prize

For all those who have purchased a tasting set, there is also the unique opportunity to become the proud owner of a 30-litre customer cask worth over €3,000. By purchasing a tasting set, whisky lovers are automatically entered into a prize draw to win a high-quality ex Amarone red wine private cask filled with unpeated single malt spirit. The prize also includes storage in Rüdenau, bottling, high-quality labelling and payment of all applicable taxes.

Ordering the tasting sets

The tasting sets with the eight exquisite samples can be conveniently ordered online up to and including 17 December 2024. While stocks last, the sets are also available in the shop at the St. Kilian visitor distillery in Rüdenau.

The St. Kilian novelties for the online whisky tasting in detail:

Exceptional Range Mizunara – Peated (limited to 258 bottles): This extraordinary Mizunara single cask bottling from the St. Kilian Exceptional Range is the first peated single malt whisky in the exclusive series reserved for the German distillery's masterpieces. The high-quality rarity is presented in a decoratively designed 0.5 litre pot still glass bottle and complemented by elegant packaging that emphasises its uniqueness and exclusivity. After five years of maturation in a virgin 225 litre Mizunara oak cask, an intense, complex interplay of aromas unfolds, combining aromatic peat smoke and sandalwood with sweet dried fruits, while oriental spices, liquorice and a hint of eucalyptus enhance the palate.



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<i>Colour:</i>	Bright amber
<i>Nose:</i>	Aromatic peat smoke combines harmoniously with ripe dried fruit and figs, accompanied by forest honey, liquorice and oriental spices, rounded off by subtle hints of sandalwood.
<i>Palate:</i>	Intense, complex and warming, with a seductive sweetness of dried fruit, sultanas and creamy honey, accompanied by oriental spices, a hint of black pepper and liquorice, perfectly balanced by aromatic peat smoke, ashy nuances and delicate sandalwood notes.
<i>Finish:</i>	The creamy, sweet blend of fruit jam, honey and liquorice lingers elegantly and for a long time, accompanied by oriental spices, smoky wood tones and a hint of eucalyptus.
<i>Abv:</i>	54.0 % vol
<i>RRP:</i>	€ 249.00 (0.5 Litre)

Signature Edition FOURTEEN – Unpeated (limited to 4,260 bottles): This new release combines distillates that have matured for between three and seven years in exquisite French casks – including Rhum Agricole, Armagnac, Cognac, Sauternes, Margaux red wine and Champagne Vin Clair. The fine casks give this single malt whisky a remarkable depth and elegance, inspired by the French terroir. Bottled at a perfect drinking strength of 49.8% vol., it unfolds a multi-layered fruit spectrum of juicy peaches, sweet grapes and ripe pears, which harmonise with warming oak spice, creamy vanilla and delicate caramel. A masterfully composed flavour experience and a true declaration of love to French craftsmanship.



<i>Colour:</i>	Dark gold
<i>Nose:</i>	A seductive fruit bouquet of ripe peaches, baked apples and light grapes, refined with sultanas, vanilla cream and caramel, provides a harmonious finish with delicate oak tones.
<i>Palate:</i>	Juicy peaches, sweet grapes and ripe pears combine with a warming oak spice and a hint of pepper, rounded off with creamy vanilla, delicate caramel and a hint of milk chocolate.
<i>Finish:</i>	Creamy-sweet fruit compote and delicate milk chocolate merge with dry notes of grape seeds, warming oak and fine tannins to create a long finish.
<i>Abv:</i>	49.8 % vol
<i>RRP:</i>	€49.90 (0.5 Litre)

Whisky Solera – Peated – III 2024 (limited to 683 bottles): This second peated bottling in the Whisky Solera series underwent the three-stage St. Kilian Whisky Solera system, with a final maturation in fine Pedro Ximénez sherry casks. Prior to this, the whisky matured in a unique combination of 20-year-old Amontillado, 30-year-old Fino and the finest Oloroso sherry casks, which were filled with peated whisky from former bourbon casks. The result is a complex, four-year-old single malt whisky that combines a harmonious balance of smoke, sherry notes and elegant sweetness. An exclusive special edition that will delight collectors and connoisseurs alike.



<i>Colour:</i>	Dark amber
<i>Nose:</i>	Complex peat smoke meets dark fruit soaked in sherry, sultanas and dates, elegantly rounded off with spicy herbs, a hint of lovage and the sweet note of brown sugar.
<i>Palate:</i>	The enticing sweetness of sherry, dried fruit and brown sugar blends harmoniously with spicy oak tones, herbs, a hint of rancio, dark chocolate and fine peat smoke to create a masterfully balanced enjoyment experience.
<i>Finish:</i>	The creamy fruit notes linger with fine dark chocolate, subtle dry ash tones and warming oak spice, gently wrapped in a hint of peat smoke.
<i>Abv:</i>	57.6 % vol
<i>RRP:</i>	€99.90 (0.5 Litre)

Handfilled Whisky – ex Champagne Vin Clair – Unpeated (limited to 361 bottles): This exclusive handfilled whisky from a rare ex Champagne Vin Clair single cask was bottled at a powerful 60.9% vol. Vin Clair, a young white wine that serves as a base for champagne, gives this whisky its elegant and unusual flavour. The four-year-old single malt delights with a multi-faceted interplay of flavours of sweet grapes, juicy apricots and fine grape seed notes, which blend harmoniously with dry tannins. Vanilla cream and warming oak spice round off the flavour experience perfectly. An exceptional bottling for

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connoisseurs looking for something special.



Colour: Bright amber

Nose: A tangy, fruity potpourri of light grapes, juicy apricots and green apples, refined with star fruit and fine oak spice, is harmoniously accompanied by elegantly integrated alcohol.

Palate: Sweet grapes and juicy apricots meet fine grape seed notes and dry tannins, perfectly complemented by vanilla cream, warming oak spice and a savoury hint of white pepper.

Finish: Delicate fruit sweetness and creamy vanilla combine with subtly bitter grape seeds, fine tannins and dry, warming oak notes to create a long, elegant finish.

Abv: 60.9 % vol

RRP: €69.90 (0.5 Litre)

Available in limited numbers

All new bottlings presented on 28 December from 7 pm will be released for sale in the online shop at the end of the online tasting. Subject to sufficient availability, the limited editions are also expected to be available on site at the visitor distillery in Rüdenau from Friday, 3 January 2025 – while stocks last.

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About St. Kilian Distillers GmbH

The German whisky distillery from Rüdenau near Miltenberg am Main in Lower Franconia produces top-class whiskies and liqueurs that have been awarded more than 250 gold medals at the most prestigious competitions around the globe. In addition, awards such as "World-Class Distillery", "Distillery of the Year" and "Whisky of the Year" testify to the top international level at which the young distillery, founded in 2012 by investment banker Andreas Thümmeler and in production since 2016, operates with its whiskies. St. Kilian Distillers supports the responsible use of alcohol, about which you can find out more at <https://www.massvoll-geniessen.de/>. For more information on the company and portfolio, visit www.stkiliandistillers.com.

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