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Press release

Grave Digger and St. Kilian Distillers present the single malt whisky "Bone Collector" for the band's 45th birthday

The legend lives on: the smoky whisky is a tribute to the music, history and unbroken power of Grave Digger

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To mark the 45th anniversary of the legendary heavy metal band Grave Digger, not only will the new album "Bone Collector" be released on 17 January 2025, but also a unique single malt whisky from St. Kilian Distillers. The eponymous bottling is a tribute to the music, history and irrepressible spirit of the band, which has characterised the metal universe since its formation in 1980.

The "Bone Collector" single malt whisky is a true masterpiece of the art of distillation that carries the dark soul of Grave Digger's metal universe. Distilled from Scottish peated barley malt at an intense 80 ppm, the whisky impresses with a strong smoky note and a profound complexity of flavour. The four-year maturation in fine Tempranillo red wine casks from the Spanish region of Ribera del Duero gives it a multi-layered flavour that perfectly matches the dark and earthy aesthetics of "Bone Collector".

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For Mario Rudolf, master distiller at St. Kilian, the Grave Digger series continues to be consistent in its DNA with the new "Bone Collector" single malt whisky: "A spicy, smoky whisky matured in Tempranillo red wine casks from Spain. Fruit, spice and rich, earthy smoke - that's what the St. Kilian whiskies in the Grave Digger series stand for."

The whisky is neither coloured nor chill-filtered and has been bottled at 47% alcohol by volume in the iconic heavy metal glass bottle (0.7 litres) with a striking metal-look label. The design and flavours are perfectly in tune with the world of Grave Digger, making this a must-have collector's item for fans of the band and lovers of exceptional whiskies.

With "Bone Collector", Grave Digger is not only making a powerful musical statement, but is also expanding its world with an exclusive luxury product that captures the spirit of metal in liquid form. Frontman Chris Boltendahl is excited about the partnership with St. Kilian Distillers and the upcoming release: "Continuing a successful collaboration requires commitment, adaptability and a desire to always achieve the best for each other and our common goals. We are therefore delighted that we can continue our partnership with St. Kilian Distillers and a new whisky in 2025. Never change

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a winning team - there's no better way to describe it. The 'Bone Collector' whisky is waiting for you."

Sales start 17 January 2025

The heavily peated "Bone Collector" single malt whisky will be released at the same time as the album of the same name from 17 January 2025 at a retail price of € 59.90 (RRP). The limited edition of 1,200 bottles is available online and in the distillery's visitor shop in Rüdenau and, subject to availability, at selected retailers. Fans can look forward to an unforgettable combination of music, enjoyment and history that bears Grave Digger's unmistakable signature.



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<i>Colour:</i>	Rose gold
<i>Nose:</i>	Intense peat smoke meets the fresh fruit of red grapes, cherries and ripe peaches, accompanied by malty nuances, earthy accents, spicy oak and a delicate hint of vanilla.
<i>Palate:</i>	A sweet composition of grapes, yellow cherries and juicy peaches, surrounded by malt and creamy vanilla, combines with a warming mélange of spicy oak, a hint of tannins and a pinch of pepper, wrapped in ashy peat smoke.
<i>Finish:</i>	Creamy fruit flavours and malty sweetness merge with dry oak tones, subtle earthy nuances and a hint of ash, which finishes with long-lasting malt notes



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Abv: 47.0 % vol

RRP: € 59.90 (0.7 Litre)



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About Grave Digger

Grave Digger, founded in 1980 in Gladbeck, are among the pioneers of German heavy metal and have left a lasting mark on the scene with 22 studio albums. Whether epic or brutal - their songs inspire fans worldwide and combine historical themes with powerful metal sounds. With classics such as "Heavy Metal Breakdown" and their legendary Scotland trilogy - "Tunes of War", "The Clans Will Rise Again" and "Fields of Blood" - they wrote metal history. With their new album "Bone Collector", Grave Digger continue their tradition of translating dark and captivating stories into energetic compositions. After more than four decades, the band remains a force to be reckoned with in the international metal scene. More information can be found at www.grave-digger.de.

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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