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Launch of exceptionally rare and luxurious whiskies – Shirakawa 1958 & Tomatin 50-Years-Old at Capitol Cigar & Whisky Lounge

Singapore, 14 April 2023: As Tomatin's official Singapore distributor, The Whisky Store will be spearheading the exciting launch of two of its highly coveted, rare and limited-edition whiskies in the Singapore market. The Tomatin 50 and Shirakawa 1958 are the exquisite whiskies that will be launched on 3rd May 2023 at The Whiskey Store's luxe concept, the Capitol Cigar & Whisky Lounge.



Exclusively bottled for its 125th anniversary, the **Tomatin 50** exudes pure sophistication, extraordinary rarity as well as the celebration and remembrance of Tomatin's iconic legacy. The cask this luxe liquid gold was bottled in; cask number 30040 has been matured lovingly at the Tomatin Distillery. It was bottled in its most natural form and in true iconic fashion – it yielded an exact 125 limited edition bottles to commemorate the distillery's 125th anniversary. This highly coveted 44% abv spirit is also estimated to be retailed for SGD\$26,000.

“The Tomatin 50 was distilled at a time when the majority of the spirit we were producing was destined to be sold to blenders and bottled as a three, maybe five year old whisky. This cask is a survivor and is testament to the generations of custodians who have strived to ensure that we have a small number of casks of very old whisky for future drinkers to enjoy. It is a fitting celebration of our 125th anniversary,” Scott Adamson, Global Brand Ambassador & Blender at Tomatin Distillery.

Expect nothing less from the packaging of the Tomatin 50. This fine whisky is well enclosed within an individually numbered and exquisite handblown Glencairn crystal decanter. All of which is packaged within a one-of-a-kind Italian crafted wooden box embellished with sleek, well-made and premium Italian leather coupled with a leather carry bag.



The Tomatin 50 is a robust and full-bodied whisky which is also sure to tantalize and invigorate the palette and senses of its drinkers. Master Distiller, Graham Eunson comments: “In true celebratory fashion, this single malt is bursting with aroma. Dried tropical fruits are first to greet the nose before a mix of nuts, dark chocolate and honey. Much like the history of Tomatin itself, the palate is slow to open with gentle hints of fresh orange and apricot, it then becomes more intense with notes of dried fruit and spices before a wave of Oloroso Sherry driven flavours. The flavour recedes, leaving an elegant, rich sweetness to linger.”

Then comes ***Shirakawa 1958***, the second remarkably exquisite whisky to be launched. With Japanese whisky being one of the most sought-after spirits globally, this liquid gold truly reaffirms its status as one with it fabled to be the earliest known vintage Japanese whisky to ever be bottled with only 1,500 bottles. Not only that, it's also the sole single malt whisky to ever be released from the renowned Shirakawa Distillery. This single malt with a rich history is bottled at 49% abv and is priced at a grand SGD35,000. Tomatin Distillery has led the worldwide distribution of this exceptionally rare and deluxe edition release single malt, which is now gracing the Singapore shore.



Once again, the tasting notes of this exceptional whisky are complex and multi-dimensional. When Stefan Van Eycken, author of *Whisky Rising: The Definitive Guide to the Finest Whiskies and Distillers of Japan*, tasted Shirakawa he said: "Not only was this an amazing find, but its backstory is unlike any other whisky I've ever heard about. It's a remarkable whisky which has clearly matured for a long time, but it remains exceptionally vibrant. It's mature, and elegant with a waxy feel alongside the pleasant taste of sweet fruits, incense, and spices."

Reaffirming the iconic status of the Shirakawa 1958, Scott Adamson, Global Brand Ambassador & Blender at Tomatin Distillery says: "Shirakawa 1958 represents one of the most significant spirits discoveries of all time; it is the last existing parcel of stock from a long-lost Japanese distillery and the only single malt ever released by the company. If this single malt from 1958 was never discovered, the name Shirakawa would

have faded from memory. Now, it has cemented its place as one of the legendary names in Japanese whisky and as a true pioneer in the category.”



To introduce the Tomatin 50-Years-Old and Shirakawa 1958 to whisky collectors in Singapore, The Whisky Store takes the honour of hosting a five-course dinner at The Capitol Kempinski Hotel Singapore on May 3, where attendees get to savour the coveted Tomatin 50 and Shirakawa 1958, together with another core range from the Tomatin Distillery.

Available now, the Tomatin 50-Years-Old and Shirakawa 1958 can be purchased at The Whisky Store as well as the whisky bars that are under the Quaich Bar group.

About Capitol Cigar & Whisky lounge:

The *Capitol Cigar and Whisky Lounge* cossets you in plush and only the most comfortable of surroundings. High-backed leather chairs, private rooms, and a luxe environment are set to enhance any occasion that calls for only the best in whisky and wine. The atmosphere is complemented by a climate system – the first of its kind in Asia – that keeps the air crisp and fresh all night long so you can deal with the important business at hand with complete ease. This is the place where you immerse yourself and dive into a world of luxury like no other.

Website: [Capitol Cigar & Whisky Lounge](#)

About The Whisky Store

The Whisky Store began in 2005 as a humble retail kiosk in Tanglin Mall run by escapees from the corporate world, Khoon Hui and Joyce. Today, The Whisky Store is much more than a kiosk. We import a wide range of whiskies from boutique distilleries in Scotland, Ireland, South Africa and India, and independent bottlers and wholesalers in the United Kingdom, as well as other spirits, wines and liquors, many of which we hold in exclusive agency in Singapore. Additionally, we also distribute on a wholesale basis to other bars, country clubs, hotels, restaurants, corporations, and individuals who wish to purchase whiskies in volume. Since 2020, The Whisky Store has also embarked on an online retail store of whiskies and other spirits.

Website: [The Whisky Store Singapore](#)

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