

Angus Dundee adds new whiskies and gin to well-rounded range

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Angus Dundee Distillers has launched three new products into travel retail, including a new 15yo expression from Tomintoul Distillery.

Tomintoul Distillery's Peaty Tang Aged 15 Years is a 15yo extension of the original unaged Peaty Tang release in 2007. It marks a moment in time when the balance between peatiness and the core values of Tomintoul's "gentle" taste characteristics are at a harmonious union, the company said.

Duncan Baldwin, Regional Director, Angus Dundee Distillers, commented: "There is growing interest amongst malt whisky drinkers in peated malts from the classic Speyside region. We describe our expression 'With a Peaty Tang' to convey the message that the brand still retains some of the gentle characteristics that are the hallmark of the Tomintoul range."

The new expression is bottled at 40%abv and is supplied in cases of 6 x 70cl bottles in individual cylindrical cartons. It will be available in key European, duty free and selected world markets.

The second new product is Old Ballantruan Aged 15 Years, from The Old Ballantruan Whisky Company.

This new, heavily peated version aged 15 years is available in March 2018 and represents the oldest addition to the range, which consists of Old Ballantruan non-aged and Old Ballantruan Aged 10 Years.

Old Ballantruan retains the smoky phenolic tones but without the marine elements like iodine that characterize Islay malts. In the background there is a slight sweetness associated with the normal Tomintoul unpeated whiskies, which is attributed to the distillation process.

The new 15yo release is bottled at 50%abv and unchill-filtered. The 50%abv strength was selected as a differentiating factor compared to most other peated single malt whiskies on the market.

"Old Ballantruan Aged 15 Years comes in striking packaging," Baldwin said. "The individual carton reflects the color of the natural peat burnt during the malt drying process. The antique green bottle features high quality screen-printing conveying a fresh and contemporary feel whilst maintaining the

colour ways consistent with the naturalness of peat.”

Old Ballantruan Aged 15 Years will be available in Western European travel retail markets, the UK and selected Asian countries.

The third new product is from The Chelsea Gin Company Ltd, which announced the launch of Chelsea Royal London Dry Gin in February 2018.

Chelsea Royal is made in the heart of London by batch distillation in a traditional John Dore using 100% grain spirit to produce the highest quality pure gin.

Chelsea Royal London Dry Gin contains a secret blend of botanicals drawn from all over the world. They include juniper, coriander, angelica and liquorice root.

Additional botanicals have allowed the Master Distiller to create the rich flavor. In particular, the combination of dried sweet orange peel and dried bitter orange peel from Spain results in a zesty, zingy gin that packs a citrus punch, according to the firm.

Chelsea Royal London Dry gin contains only natural ingredients, and does not have any flavorings or colorings added after the distillation process.

The gin can be enjoyed with a slice of orange to round off the citrus edge.

Chelsea Royal Gin will be available in key European and selected travel retail world markets.