



BELLARINE
DISTILLERY

SINGLE MALT WHISKY
PRIVATE BARREL OWNERSHIP
2023 OFFER



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Bellarine Distillery is offering a rare opportunity to privately own a barrel of premium Australian single malt craft whisky, distilled and matured on the Bellarine Peninsula - just for you.





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Our aim is to create whiskies to savour, celebrate and share. We focus on flavour above all else to provide an experience to remember.

Bellarine Distillery is rapidly gaining a reputation for well-crafted boutique whiskies that achieve high spirit quality through thoughtful fermentation, distillation and maturation techniques.

Our whisky and gin have received awards both in Australia and internationally. The highly respected Whisky & Alement bar in Melbourne, who recently won World's Best Whisky Bar (Rest of the world outside of the UK) at the World Whisky Awards has recently stated "... every Bellarine Distillery release delivers skilfully produced liquid".

Our most recent release 'Sea Eagle' received these comments from the W&A team, "Our team gave this 91 points. It has fantastic palate weight and texture with tasting notes of marmalade on toast, honeycomb wax and apricot nectar.

This is the first time Bellarine Distillery has offered a barrel ownership program and it is extremely limited with only 25 x 30L barrels available for the 2023/2024 financial year. Future private barrel ownership programs will only be offered once barrels that meet our criteria have been sourced.

THE SPIRIT

Since 2018 the distillery team has been researching and experimenting with the aroma, taste and mouthfeel of its new make spirit.

We have now achieved a spirit quality which provides a weighty, viscous, melted honey-like mouthfeel. The aroma gives dark fruits such as dried apricots and prunes. On the palate it shows sweet biscuit, cereal malt, dark brown sugar and a long lasting buttery finish. And that's all before it goes in the barrel!

By modifying yeast, brewing and distillation techniques we have achieved a new make quality which we are extremely proud of and which you can enjoy in your own private barrel.



THE OAK

The oak casks on offer are 30 litre barrels that have been re-sized from larger format European sherry or port barrels which held fortified wines for between 2-10 years.

These barrels were shaved, toasted and moderately charred then filled with a Tasmanian single malt whisky.

Bellarine Distillery has chosen to use second fill barrels that previously aged a spirit, to achieve the best possible spirit maturation profile for the small barrels. The smaller barrel format can often give excessive oak flavour due to the high wood surface area to spirit ratio. A second fill will therefore allow a much gentler and softer maturation profile.



MATURATION

The casks will be filled with Bellarine Distillery new make whisky spirit at around 64% abv and depending on the barrel and climate will take approximately 2 to 5 years to mature.

The barrels will mature in our distillery barrel warehouse at 2102 - 2120 Portarlington Rd, Drysdale, Victoria.

The product can be delivered to the customer or collected from the distillery any time after 2 years from the fill date up to 5 years. It is highly recommended that the full maturation time and subsequent bottling and delivery date is decided by the customer in consultation with Bellarine Distillery's Head Distiller. If required a longer maturation can be negotiated with the distillery.



BOTTLING

The matured whisky will be filled into our 'Martinique' 700ml glass bottles with a black wood top stopper with a copper embossed medallion and a black tamper proof seal.

A 30L barrel may lose, via natural evaporation through the wood, approximately 5 - 10% in spirit volume year on year due to the local climate on the Bellarine Peninsula.

This is known as the 'Angels Share' and could be more or less depending on specific climatic factors such as temperature and humidity for each year that the spirit is matured. On average, after 2 years, a 30L barrel may have remaining spirit of approximately 24 - 27 litres and after 5yrs approximately 17 - 23 litres. This is an estimate and could potentially be more or less depending on your Angels!

Our recommendation would be to bottle the spirit at 50-52% alcohol by volume for maximum flavour.

This would mean that depending on maturation time, Angels Share and final spirit strength, somewhere between 30 - 50 bottles could be delivered upon maturation completion. The final number of bottles will vary for each barrel.

A Bellarine Distillery label will be applied however you will have the chance to name your whisky which will be hand written on each label. A small unique message can also be included on the back label.



THE FUN STUFF

By appointment you can visit and taste the spirit in your barrel once a year between August and November with the Head Distiller to discuss maturation progress of your whisky.

You can also take a 50ml sample home each year if desired. If you cannot visit us we will send you the sample with some notes from the Head Distiller.

When your whisky is mature we can organise a courier on your behalf to deliver your bottles (and your barrel if you also decide to purchase the barrel) to your nominated Australian address or by appointment you can collect directly from the distillery. You will also receive 4 x Bellarine Distillery Glencairn whisky tasting glasses plus four Bellarine Distillery premium black gift boxes for gifting your whisky if you desire. More gift boxes can be purchased if required.



THE DETAILS

PRICE

\$7000 (includes excise tax and GST)
or \$7280 (if you wish to retain the barrel,
includes all taxes)

BARREL SIZE

30L

MATURATION PERIOD

Between 2 and 5 years (Avg 3.5)

NO. BOTTLES:

Approximately 30 - 50 x 700ml @ 50% alc/vol

INCLUSIONS

- Yearly visit and sample of your spirit
- Unique name and message on bottle labels
- 4 x Bellarine Distillery engraved Glencairn whisky glasses
- 4 x Bellarine Distillery premium black gift boxes
- Automatic inclusion to the 'Billy Club' to receive pre-release offers on all rare release whiskies from Bellarine Distillery.
- Insurance for your product while it is on our property maturing.

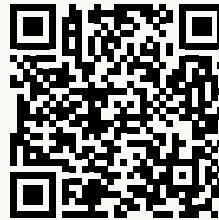
EXCLUSIONS

Freight & Freight Insurance (however we can organise on your behalf and ship bottled product upon payment of invoice)

HOW TO PURCHASE

Please visit our online shop at:
bellarinedistillery.com.au/shop/privatebarrel

Or scan this QR code:



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We welcome you to join us and share in the joy of whisky!

Yours sincerely,
Russ, Craig and the Bellarine Distillery Team



FOUNDER
AND DISTILLER
RUSS WATSON



HEAD
DISTILLER
CRAIG MICHAEL



TERMS & CONDITIONS

By purchasing a barrel through this Private Barrel Ownership Program offered by Bellarine Distillery (Bellarine Distilling Pty Ltd) you are agreeing to these Terms and Conditions.

1. This barrel ownership program is for private ownership and consumption only. You cannot sell these bottles via any retail shop, store, market or any online marketplace or platform without prior written consent from Bellarine Distillery.
2. If, after the maturation period is complete you no longer want your whisky, Bellarine Distillery may, at its discretion offer to purchase your whisky from you at a mutually agreed price.
3. On receipt of a completed order form and full payment, the cask type selected by the purchaser will be filled by Bellarine Distillery with its new make spirit usually within 1 month of order receipt.
4. A receipt for payment and production certificate with barrel owners name, barrel number, barrel name (if provided) and fill date will be issued to the purchaser's nominated address on completion of the order.
5. The casks will be warehoused under bond in the Bellarine Distillery bonded store for a maximum of 5 years. See also clause 11.
6. Purchase price includes the single malt new make spirit and warehousing. The price also includes Excise Tax, GST, bottling, labelling, 4 Glencairn whisky tasting glasses, 4 gift boxes and yearly samples delivered to the customer.
7. A maturation guide for the whisky will be approximately 3.5 years for the 30L barrel but could be anywhere between 2 and 5 years with 5 years being the maximum Bellarine Distillery will mature the product in its bonded store. See also clause 11.
8. Final bottling date will be determined by the Head Distiller in conjunction with the purchasers' preference.
9. Bellarine Distillery casks are insured against any relevant loss of product covered by Bellarine Distillery's insurance policy (eg. fire and theft). Bellarine Distillery's insurance obligations end when the whisky leaves the Distillery, or 3 months after the purchaser has been notified of maturation completion (Maturation Notification).
10. If the purchaser does not respond to a Maturation Notification i.e a notification that their whisky is mature and requires bottling, within 60 days of the notification, Bellarine Distillery will bottle the product to ensure that the whisky is not spoiled through oak over extraction. If the purchaser has still not responded to the Maturation Notification after all reasonable attempts to be contacted by Bellarine Distillery have been made then Bellarine Distillery will continue to warehouse the product until the full 5 year term of bonded warehouse storage is complete. After this time, and after one more final attempt to contact the purchaser, the purchaser will be considered to have abandoned the product.
11. Continuation of maturation and or warehousing greater than the 5 year term may be provided by arrangement with Bellarine Distillery.
12. At maturation and after bottling, the purchaser may pick up the filled bottles from Bellarine Distillery. Bellarine Distillery can also arrange freight and freight insurance at the purchaser's expense but will only be delivered to an Australian domestic address.
13. The purchaser may visit Bellarine Distillery by appointment between the months of August and November to inspect their casks, discuss maturation progress with Bellarine Distillery's Head Distiller and receive a 50ml cask sample.
14. The purchasers' cask will be decanted and bottled at 50-52% ABV at the Distillery upon maturation. Variations to the bottling strength can be requested by the purchaser in writing prior to bottling date.
15. Depending on maturation time, Angels Share and final spirit bottling strength, somewhere between 30 - 50 bottles could be delivered upon maturation completion. The final number of bottles will vary for each barrel.



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