

WEEKLY WALRUS

OCT / NOV 2019

APPROX 150 RUMS & COUNTING

CUBAN CIGARS



Volcanic Eruptions, Revolutions & Rum

Nicaragua is an often neglected producer of rum, but thanks to the exceptional quality maintained by distillers such as Flor de Caña, the region's rums have begun to gain well deserved international recognition.

It is however not only their rums that are laudable, but the distiller's commitment to sustainable environmental practices and push for social reforms that make Flor de Caña worthy of attention.

The distillery is one of the early trailblazers in this space, and is one of just a few spirits companies to adopt fair trade practices in their supply chain.

Together, these achievements established Flor de Caña's reputation as one of Latin America's most prestigious rum distilleries.

The founders of the sugar estate at Chichigalpa dared to plant their sugarcane in the foothills of the active volcano San Cristóbal. They did so with the belief that the enriched volcanic soil would have a hand in growing sugar cane with superior flavour.

Flor de Caña rum is produced on the same grounds from which all the raw materials are sourced. The

distillery, sugar mills and cooperage are all part of this 'Single Estate' that draws from the terroir of San Cristóbal.

The soil is fertilized by ash, making it the ideal rooting ground for rich molasses. That same mineral-laden earth helps enrich the water, percolating through the ages into underground reservoirs. Consequently, this unique biome artfully sculpts the two ingredients vital to high-end rum.

The third vital ingredient in creating a fine spirit is aging over time. The family business had been producing rum for nearly a century when Nicaragua's revolutionist Sandinista government nationalised foreign trade, including rum exports, after coming to power in 1979. The distillery ceased exportation and began to lay down barrels.

When the Sandinista government ended in 1990, Flor de Caña found itself with an extensive stock of some of the world's oldest reserve rums. These ageing rums have no added sugar, additives, or artificial ingredients.

Flor de Caña rum stores were laid down for decades at a time using white oak ex-bourbon barrels

sealed with Nicaraguan plantain leaves, to be aged in the ambient temperature of South American tropics.

The microclimate surrounding San Cristóbal plays a key factor. Flor de Caña matures at a higher temperature and humidity level than other aged spirits.

These conditions lead to a more dynamic interaction between the barrel and rum and to a higher rate of evaporation. The flavours of oak wood from the barrels and the complexities of the interaction between wood and spirit are greatly enhanced by the high humidity and steady temperature.

It is argued that this methodology results in rums that have the maturity twice of those of barrel aged spirits produced in colder climates.

The qualities that set these rums apart are the result of the particular processes and conditions under which they are produced, from their fertile and mineral rich green cane fields and their dense black molasses to the climatic conditions and political events.

It's this convoluted set of circumstances, and histories that has created this rich, complex rum.



What Does a Walrus Drink?

Bundaberg Small Batch Reserve – The Walrus Club Blend

When developing the flavour profile of the signature club blend, each bartender had at their disposal a selection of barrel aged editions of the Master Distillers Collection; from ex-sherry, ex-port, ex-Bourbon, heavily charred American oak and ex-Islay Scotch barrels.

Whilst each team member sought to create the perfect Bundaberg blend for The Walrus Club, each expression was a unique reflection of the person producing it.

After completing the four blends at the distillery, each was brought back to the venue to undergo a month of mixing and critiquing by our staff and regular patrons.

One amber liquid rose to the top – a liquid that would become our signature blend. This expression draws from three casks; a dominant ex-port cask that is modified with additions of an ex-bourbon and heavily charred American oak finished rum.

On initial nosing, it possesses light fruits, caramel, vanilla and wood sugars along with notes of baking spices and dried stone fruit on the tongue.

It is layered with delicate hints of honey, caramel and spice, coupled with a long smooth finish.

However, most importantly, it retains the character and signature of every Bundaberg Rum since 1888.

This limited edition rum blend is available exclusively at The Walrus Club, and is showcased in the cocktail special aptly named 'Bundy Bearcat'. Give it a go!



The Rum Rising from Nicaragua's Volcanic Ashes: Flor de Caña Centenario 25



Featuring Flor de Cana Centenario 25

With only 60 bottles of this premium rum being allocated to the Australian market, we are proud to have acquired a bottle of this extremely limited, and exceptional expression of Nicaraguan rum.

It is a rare example of the art of fine rum making; a testament to the pride and care of Flor de Caña's Master Distiller.

The Flor de Caña Centenario 25 ultra-premium rum has a deep and elegant amber hue.

Its beautiful integrated aroma, with hints of vanilla, wood, and dark cacao, draws you into a smooth luxurious taste that offers notes of fruit, almond and caramel and a touch of sweetness that lingers in the long, buttery finish.

With a glass of Flor de Caña Centenario 25 in hand, sit back, relax and picture the hazy evening sun setting over gently swaying swathes of sugarcane as far as the eye can see – You are now enjoying a Flor de Caña moment!



Join Us for a Tipple

In every sip of whiskey sits an inescapable clash. The bite, the flavour, the way it makes the back of your throat feel like you really have had a stiff drink: they all make you want to savour each mouthful.

The warm feeling in your stomach, the intoxicating aroma: well, they make you want to sample as many varieties as possible.

Head along to an event that offers both on October 24th, when 'A World of Whiskey' takes over The Walrus Club. Relishing the unique tastes of quite the number of amber spirits is on the agenda here.

In fact, \$65 gets you a taste of over 50 worldly whiskies, plus gourmet canapes and a cheese fondue. All whilst enjoying live jazz acts.

What makes a classy drinking session even better? A classy drinking session that comes with its own souvenir - your very own Glencairn glass to take home.

\$65 per person +bf (all inclusive), 6:30pm to 9pm, Thursday 24th October. Reserve your spot at: regattahotel.com.au



Live Music Dates

As well as the dates below, *Jazz Thursdays* are held every week from 8pm. Come on down for a swing and a boogie!

October

Friday 4th: Mojo Webb Band
Saturday 5th: The Pickletones
Friday 11th: Dan Wolsner
Saturday 12th: The Walters
Friday 18th: Andrew Fincher
Saturday 19th: West Texas Crude
Friday 25th: Crescent City Players
Saturday 26th: Mojo Webb Band

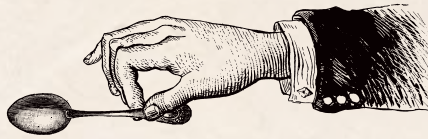
November

Friday 1st: The Walters
Saturday 2nd: The Pickletones
Friday 8th: Devil's Kiosk
Saturday 9th: West Texas Crude
Friday 15th: Mojo Webb Band
Saturday 16th: The Pickletones
Friday 22nd: Andrew Fincher
Saturday 23rd: West Texas Crude
Friday 29th: Andrew Fincher
Saturday 30th: Mojo Webb Band

FOOD

Cuca Spanish Sardines	14.0
Caper dill butter, toasted rye, pickled onions, lemon	
Beef Sliders (3)	16.0
House made pattie, brioche bun, bacon onion & rum jam, American cheddar, artisan ketchup, pickles	
Sweet Potato Wedges	10.0
Avocado, black sesame dukkah	
Jerk Spiced Prawns	17.0
Coconut rum sauce, shallots, toasted rustic bread	
Lamb Kofta	17.0
Lebanese tomato salad, tahini, flatbreads, garlic sauce	
Walrus Cheese Plate	18.0
French style white mould cheese, Colton Basset Stilton, Tasmanian honey, pistachio & cranberry rolada, dried apple, lavosh	
Walrus Deli Board	21.0
Shaved mortadella, truffle salami, marinated mozzarella, assorted olives, crisp breads, pickled vegetables	
Braised Lamb Belly	18.0
Tomato, green olive, anchovy, capers	
Beef Carpaccio	19.0
Wagyu tenderloin, horseradish mayo, fried capers, micro leaves, parmesan, crouton	
Add Rustic Breads	+ 2.0
To any of the above, not available as stand-alone	

Order at the bar and we'll deliver your meal to your table.



Something Sweet?

Peanut Butter Parfait – 15.0
Chocolate mousse, pretzel, caramel sauce

CIGARS

Cohiba Siglo I
VegaFina Short
Montecristo No.2*
Montecristo No. 4*
Partagas Series D No 4
Punch Coronations A/T
Bolivar Corona Junior
Romeo y Julieta No.2
Buena Vista Belicoso
Buena Vista Toro

*This cigar will age exceptionally well. Ask our staff about taking it home, and for storage advice.

MON TO SUN 5:30PM TIL LATE

SHH, SPEAKEASY!

543 CORONATION DRIVE

CLASSIFIEDS

WALRUS COCKTAILS

Mac-Guy-Ver

Brookie’s macadamia and wattle liqueur, wattle and myrtle soda, lemon oleo, prosecco

Ba-Na-Baracus

Flor de Cana Extra Seco, Tempus Fugit Crème de Banane, banana skin sac-charum, Lillet Blanc, bee pollen

Woody Boyd

Flor De Cana Oro, The Pogues Irish Whisky, Husk Agricole, Valdespino Pedro Ximenez Sherry, rose & raspberry cordial, lime

Dead-Mans Painkiller

Dead Man’s Finger’s Coconut Rum, white chocolate & coconut milk, lacto-fermented oolong tea, pineapple cordial, coconut foam

May-Day Malone

Walrus Club Aquavit, Flor De Cana Extra Seco, Husk Agricole, velvet faler-num, grape verjus, lemon oleo

Irish Coffee

Pogues Irish Whisky, spiced stout syr-up, hot coffee with a cream float

Cane-Cutter

Husk Agricole, Suze Gentian, Campari, Carpano Vermouth, rosemary

Buford Smokey Justice

Ilegal Mezcal, Laphroaig 10 Whisky, Carpano Vermouth, pineapple cordial, falernum, lemon

Bandit Bo Darville

Tanqueray, Lillet Blanc, Green Chartreuse, basil, cherry tomato

Hot-Lips Houlihan

Flor de Cana Extra Seco, Dolin Chamberyzette Wild Strawberry Vermouth, strawberry, szechuan shrub

Can’t decide?

See this month’s suggestion on the back page, or talk to us at the bar.

We don’t *always* bite.



CLASSIC COCKTAILS

Spiced Espresso Martini

Aviation

Boulevardier

Caipirinha

Contessa

Cosmopolitan

Corpse Reviver No.1

Corpse Reviver No.2

Daiquiri

East Side / South Side

Gosling's Dark & Stormy

Jungle Bird

Lucien Gaudin

Mai Tai

Manhattan

Margarita

Martini (Gin / Vodka)

Martinez

Mojito

Negroni

Old Fashioned

Penicillin

Pusser’s Painkiller

Pina Colada

Rob Roy

Sazerac (Rye / Cognac)

Vieux Carre

Whisky Sour (American / Scotch)

Zombie

RED WINE

Brockenchack Rosé

Barossa, South Australia

Grant Burge, Tenet Merlot

Barossa, South Australia

Brini, Koota Gra GMM

McLaren Vale, South Australia

Te Mata Gamay Noir Beaujolais

Hawkes Bay, New Zealand

The Peoples Pinot Noir

Central Otago, New Zealand

Mother’s Milk Shiraz

Barossa, South Australia

Brini, Sebastian Shiraz

McLaren Vale, South Australia

Two Hands, Gnarly Dudes Shiraz

Barossa, South Australia (bottle only)

42 Degrees South Pinot Noir

Frogmore Creek, Tasmania (bottle only)

BOILER MAKERS

Old Grogam

Balter XPA w El Dorado 12yr Demerara Rum

White Light / White Heat

Young Henry’s Natural Lager

w Clement VSOP Martinique Rhum

Jockey Full of Bourbon

Newstead Liquidamber Amber Ale

w HSE Black Sheriff Bourbon Cask

Martinique Agricole Rhum

Jamaican’ Me Dagger

Young Henry’s Summer Hop Ale IPA

w Plantation Xaymaca Jamaican Pot Still Rum

Hoist The Flag

Green Beacon Windjammer IPA w Foursquare

Premise 10yr Barbados Sherry Cask Rum

PACKAGED BEER

Nomad, Beach House Pale Ale

Balter, XPA Extra Pale Ale

Balter, Strong Pale Ale

Green Beacon, Half Mast

Indian Session Ale

Green Beacon, Windjammer IPA

Stone, Tangerine Express IPA

Guinness, Irish Stout Stout

Young Henry’s, Summer Hop Ale IPA

Young Henry’s, Natural Lager Lager

Feral, Hop Hog Pale Ale

WHITE WINE

Broken Fish Plate Sauvignon Blanc

Adelaide Hills, Australia

Soumah Hexham Chardonnay

Yarra Valley, Victoria

Jim Barry, Watervale Riesling

Clare Valley, Australia

Brockenchack Pinot Grigio

Barossa Valley, South Australia

T’Gallant, Juliet Moscato

Mornington Peninsula, Australia

SPARKLING

Seppelt, Fleur de Lys

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir. Australia

Belstar

Prosecco NV. Veneto, Italy

Moët & Chandon Brut Impérial,

Non-Vintage Champagne

Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Meunier. France

RHUM/RUMS

Cachaca

Mixed Distilleries, *Brazil*
Cachaca Germana Heritage (10)
Leblon Cachaca

Rhum Agricole

Rhum La Mauny, Martinique

La Mauny Blanc Agricole

La Mauny Millésime 1995

La Mauny Millésime 1998

Bienvenue à L’Habitation La Favorite, Martinique

La Favorite Rhum Vieux

La Favorite Élevé Sous Bois

La Favorite ‘Cuvee Speciale de la Flibuste’

Rhum Mangoustan, Martinique

Mangoustan’s Rhum d’Orig-

ine Carte Grise

Rhum Clément - Homère &

Charles Clément, Martinique

Rhum Clément VSOP

Rhum Clément XO

Rhum Clément Cuvée Homère

Le Rhum J.M, Martinique

Rhum J.M. Blanc

Rhum J.M. 1999

Rhum J.M. XO

Distillerie Saint-James, Martinique

Rhum St. James Imperial Blanc

Rhum St. James Royal Ambre

Rhum St. James Vieux

Rhum St. James Hors d’Age

Habitation Saint-Etienne, Martinique

HSE Black Sheriff (Bourbon Cask)

HSE Islay Whisky Cask Finish

HSE Fino and Oloroso Cask Finish

HSE Pedro Ximénez Cask Finish

HSE Sauternes Cask Finish

HSE Oloroso Cask Finish

Société du Rhum Barbancourt, Haiti

Rhum Barbancourt 3 Star

Rhum Barbancourt 5 Star

Rhum Barbancourt 15 Year

Rivière du Mât Rhum, La Réunion

Rivière du Mât Traditional Molasses

Rivière du Mât Cuvee Speciale

Rivière du Mât Grand Reserve

Rivière du Mât XO 15% AG

Rivière du Mât Brut De Chais

Rivière du Mât, Opus 5

Husk Distillers, Australia

Husk Pure Cane

Spiced Rum

Sailor Jerry Spiced

Bundaberg MDC Spiced

Foursquare Spiced Rum

Papagayo Organic Spiced Rum

Rumbullion! Spiced Rum

The Rum Diary Spiced Rum

El Dorado Spiced Rum

Ratu Spiced Rum

Ratu Signature Rum Liqueur

Untold Spiced Rum

We went to the Bundaberg Rum distillery and blended our own rum.

It’s exclusive to The Walrus Club, and available upon request.

Rum Traditional / Industrial

Pyrat Rum, Anguilla

Pyrat Cask 23

Pyrat XO

English Harbour, Antigua & Barbuda

English Harbour 5

English Harbour 10

English Harbour 1981

Bundaberg Distilling Company, Australia

Bundaberg MDC Solera

Bundaberg MDC Small Batch

Bundaberg 125th Anniversary

Beenleigh Rum, Australia

Beenleigh Copper Pot

Beenleigh Double Barrel

Beenleigh Honey

Mount Gay Rum, Barbados

Mount Gay Eclipse

Mount Gay XO

Mount Gay XO Cask Strength

Mount Gay Cask Selection 1703

R.L. Seale & Co. Ltd, Barbados

Doorly’s XO

Doorly’s 12

Foursquare Premise

Foursquare Dominus

Foursquare 2005

Gosling Brothers, Bermuda

Gosling’s Black Seal

Gosling’s Gold

Gosling’s 151 Overproof

Gosling’s Family Reserve

Pusser’s Rum, British Virgin Islands

Pusser’s Navy Rum

Pusser’s Nelson’s Blood Decanter

Ron Zacapa, Guatemala

Ron Zacapa 23

Ron Zacapa XO

Plantation Rums, Caribbean / South America

Plantation 20th Barbados

Plantation Barbados 2001

Plantation Barbados 5 Year

Plantation O.F.T.D

Plantation Original Dark

Plantation Xamayca

Plantation Guyana 2005

Plantation Jamaica 2002

Plantation Nicaragua 2004

Plantation Panama 2004

Plantation Trinidad 2003

Plantation ‘3 Stars’

Plantation Pineapple

Plantation XO Jamaica

Plantation XO Peru

Plantation Extrême N°3 Jamaica 22 HJC

Plantation Extrême N°3 Jamaica 22 ITP

Bristol Classic Rum, Caribbean / South America

Bristol Caroni Trinidad 1996

Bristol Reserve Nicaragua 2002

Bristol Vale Royal Jamaica 2002

Destilería Colombia Ltd, Colombia

Dictador 12

Dictador 20

Corporación Cuba Ron / Havana Club, Cuba

Havana Club Añejo 3 Años

Havana Club Añejo Especial

Havana Club Añejo 7 Años

Matusalem & Co, Dominican Republic

Ron Matusalem Platino

Ron Matusalem Solera 7

Ron Matusalem Clásico 10

Ron Matusalem Gran Reserva 15

Ron Matusalem Gran Reserva 23

Rum Traditional / Industrial

Rum Co. of Fiji, Fiji

Ratu Dark

Oliver y Oliver, Dominican Republic

Ron Cubaney Silver 3

Ron Cubaney 5

Ron Cubaney Gran Reserve 12

Ron Cubaney 15

Ron Cubaney 21

El Dorado / Demerara Distillers, Guyana

El Dorado Dark

El Dorado 5 Years Old

El Dorado 6 Years Old

El Dorado 8 Years Old

El Dorado 12 Years Old

El Dorado 15 Years Old

El Dorado 21 Years Old

El Dorado Master Blender’s Edition

El Dorado Single Barrel EHP

El Dorado Single Barrel ICBU

El Dorado Single Barrel PM

Appleton Estate Rum, Jamaica

Appleton Estate Signature

Appleton Estate Reserve

Appleton Estate 12

Appleton Estate 21

Appleton Estate Joy 25

Appleton Estate 50

Smith & Cross Rum, Jamaica

S & C Traditional Jamaica Rum

Berry Bros. & Rudd / Medine Estate, Mauritius

Penny Blue VSOP

Destilería Porfidio, Mexico

Porfidio Triple Distilled Cane

Ron Flor de Caña, Nicaragua

Flor de Caña Extra Dry 4

Flor de Caña 7

Flor de Caña 12

Flor de Caña 18

Flor de Caña 25