

Product sheet

Seven Stars No. 6:1 Mizar

Organic Single Malt Whisky Distilled, matured and bottled by Spirit of Hven, Sverige



Facts: Limited edition, only 3670 bottles (3370x500ml & 300x100ml).

This whisky is the sixth in the Spirit of Hven "Seven Stars" series. It is a single malt with a lovely smokiness. Well balanced by a finish on Chateau Margaux casks with an exceptional high ratio of Cabernet Sauvignon, as usual spiced with a blend of Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. The recipe is enticing with licorice balanced by wood sugars, together they create an exciting aftertaste.

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This whisky has, as its predecessors, got its name from one of the stars in Ursa Major. The sixth light point in the asterism is a double star, where *Mizar* together with the somewhat fainter star **Alcor** builds a pair. Etymological the name derives from the arabic الم ئزر [mi'zar], which translates to girdle or apron. Mizar and Alcor is also popularly referred to as the "horse and rider" and have in many cultures been a good test of eyesight.

Seven has always been a sacred number. The Ancient philosophers called the classical celestial bodies (the ones visible from earth without a telescope) the seven stars.

These also gave name to the weekdays. In the Book of Revelation the stars symbolize the seven churches, the reason we still have seven-branched candelabras.

There are three constellations in the sky that we generally refer to as "the Seven Stars". The first is the seven brightest stars in the asterism *Ursa Major* (Great Bear). If you draw an imaginary line from *Merak* through *Dubhe* and about 5 times the space, you will find the North Star (Polar Star) the last star of the second asterism, Ursa Minor (Smaller She-Bear). The third is the *Pleiades*.





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The recipe is 58,8% Lager malt, 35,3% peated malt (38ppm), 5,9% Chocolate malt. The distillate have matured between seven and ten years on; 64,7% Muchlenbergii oak from Missouri, 23,6% Petraea oak from Allier and 11,7% Robur from Bourgogne.

The whisky was married on seven Quercus Petraea barriques that previously held Chateau Margaux Premier Grand Cru. An additional seven casks with the same recipe have been kept for further finishing. This whisky will be released in September 2018.

The traditional whisky phenols measures to 20ppm, however the contributing phenols from the chateau Margaux casks elevates the total phenols to 32ppm. An enticing single malt with caressing vinous tannins and spicy, vanilla licorice. Pleasure on bottle.

This whisky is bottled at site of the distillery holding 45 vol%, no carbon- or chill filtering, no color or other additives. It is certified organic and natural, as should be. Every bottle is individually numbered and waxed by hand. *Production 3670 bottles*.

Scent and Taste

Undiluted: Without water the first nose gives, sweet licorice and vanilla. A light smokiness with spicy notes of raisins and cacao. Hints of chamomile backed by violetand banana scents. Tanned leather and dry smokiness in the background.

The taste is potent with clear, but not overpowering, smokiness. Strict acidity balanced by discrete wood sugars. Long aftertaste without bitterness. When the alcohol has settled the vinous notes resurface. The soft oiliness is above all in the palate.

Diluted: With water 1:4, the smokiness fades and transforms to a chocolate covered suede jacket with a latte macchiato in the left pocket. After aeration notes of licorice and dew-wet deciduous forest appears together with hints of green tea and menthol.

The taste is elegant but with strict acidity, slightly elevated tannins. The sweetness is toned down by water and emphasize violets and vanilla. The aftertaste is medium long with water and is balanced mid-tongue. A Royal whisky for everyday dramming.

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