

CONNOISSEURS CHOICE

CAPERDONICH 1998 46%

In the mid-1960s Gordon & MacPhail took the unprecedented step of launching a range of single malts under the brand name 'Connoisseurs Choice'. Until this time, many of the whiskies the range featured would not have been available as single malt. Today, Connoisseurs Choice retains this exclusive nature with a range of rare and sought after single malts from distilleries throughout Scotland.

Caperdonich Distillery is in the Morayshire town of Rothes and when built in 1897 it was known as Glen Grant Number 2, Glen Grant being immediately across the road. Because of troubles which overcame the whisky industry, it was closed in 1901.

It was rebuilt as a modern distillery in 1965 and renamed Caperdonich (Gaelic for 'The Secret Well' and also the name of the well from which the distillery draws its water). Two of the original stills were brought back into production after being unused for about 65 years.

INFORMATION

Region:	Speyside. Rothes.
Founded:	1897.
Water Source:	Caperdonich Well.
Owner:	Chivas Brothers.
Status:	Mothballed.



TASTING NOTE

Colour: Pale gold.

WITHOUT WATER:

Nose: Floral with defined herbal notes, some creamy fudge influences. Some summer fruits and a subtle Sherried edge.

Palate: Initial burst of mixed spices, warming and mouth coating. Sweet with hints of butter shortbread.

WITH WATER:

Nose: Fresher with green apple notes, delicate fudge influences, some tropical fruits and a touch of Sherry wood.

Palate: Gentle hint of spices, some defined chocolate fudge, warming and lingering. Smooth and well balanced.

Body: Medium.

Finish: Lingering and drying.

Cask Type(s): Refill Sherry hogsheads.

Whisky Style: Nice Speysider - pre-dinner dram.



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