

# CONNOISSEURS CHOICE

## GLEN ELGIN 1996 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.

Glen Elgin Distillery was the last distillery to be built during the boom years of the 1890s. The architect, Charles Doig, stated it would be the last one built in Speyside for 50 years. His prediction was remarkably accurate with Tormore being the next distillery built, in 1958. Until the 1950s the distillery was entirely operated and lit by paraffin. All machinery was driven by a paraffin engine and a water turbine. It was a full time job to keep the paraffin lights burning.

Today, the distillery still proudly depicts the White Horse emblem and is part of Diageo's "Elgin Group", along with Linkwood, Glenlossie and Mannochemore. The whisky is still a key component of White Horse blended whisky.

### INFORMATION

Region:	Speyside. Elgin.
Founded:	1898.
Water Source:	Springs near Millbuies Lochs.
Owner:	Diageo.
Status:	Operational.



### TASTING NOTE

**Colour:** Pale gold.

WITHOUT WATER:

**Nose:** Sherry influences are present. A light hint of esters and citrus fruit - lemons.

**Palate:** Initially mouth warming and spicy - pepper. Citrus fruits and hazelnuts.

WITH WATER:

**Nose:** Becomes even more fruity. Sherry influences still come to fore, with a vanilla note now apparent.

**Palate:** Really creamy with a delicate spice. Very fruity and sweet.

**Body:** Smooth.

**Finish:** Long and dry.

**Cask Type(s):** Refill Sherry casks.

**Whisky Style:** Fruity Speysider.



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