

PUNI GOLD

Glorenza, Alto Adige (BZ)

The tagline says it all: "The Italian Malt Whisky." Then again, there's so much more to be said about PUNI. It's Italian, yes, but also German and, perhaps most of all, Alpine. This pioneering whisky distillery, the first of its kind in Italy, takes its name from the nearby PUNI River, which originates in the Ötztal Alps and flows through the magnificent Venosta Valley. From the Medieval hamlet of Glorenza, where the PUNI Distillery is located, both the Swiss and Austrian borders are less than a half hour away.

Having already established a foothold in the US market, the PUNI whiskies are wellpositioned for breakaway success as part of The Italian Spirits Company portfolio. There's no better example of spirits expressing terroir than these impeccably crafted, artfully packaged malt whiskies—bright, fragrant, finessed styles that reflect their Alpine origins.

Production

PUNI whiskies are distilled in copper pot stills that were custom-fabricated in Scotland. These are heated using the *bain-marie* method, which employs circulated hot water rather than steam, as in a double boiler. Such a gentle method of heating extends the distillation time, ensuring more prolonged contact with copper. It also facilitates a more meticulous separation during distillation and contributes to a purer, more refined raw spirit. Moreover, the distinctive design of these stills, featuring a narrow swan neck, plays a crucial role in producing a fruity and mellow new-make spirit.

Style

Malt Whisky (malted barley, malted rye, malted wheat)

Aging/Cooperage

Ex-Bourbon casks. This is a NAS (No Age Statement) whisky with an average age of 5 years.

ABV

43%

Tasting Notes

Fresh apples and pears paired with a spicy maltiness. Delicate sweetness on the nose with hints of candied apple and vanilla, with hints of mountain wildflowers and peach emerging with air. Citrus peel, oak, and white pepper counterbalance the sweeter, fruitier notes and lend the finish a spicy, savory kick.

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