

The BEN Whisky Ambassadors' auction 2022/2023

The third Whisky Ambassadors' auction is only days away with all proceeds going to Scottish drinks industry charity, The BEN.

WHISKY AMBASSADORS AND WHISKY AUCTIONEER RAISE VITAL FUNDS FOR DRINKS INDUSTRY

Jenny Karlsson 19th December 2022

This is the third edition of the Ambassadors' Whisky Auction that takes place in benefit of the BEN (the Scottish Drinks Industry Charity). The BEN has partnered with the world's leading online whisky auction site, Whisky Auctioneer, to host the charity auction from 22 December - 9 January. All funds raised will be donated to the charity, including Whisky Auctioneer's buyers commission.

Whisky Ambassadors from across the UK have once again collaborated to raise awareness and funds for the Scottish BEN. The charity supports people of all ages who work, or have worked, in the licensed trade with beneficiaries receiving annual financial assistance as well as discretionary one-off grants for emergency situations. The BEN has been inundated with applications for support since the devastating impact of Covid-19 on the industry. The charity must generate funds annually, mainly from events and donations.

When the call to donate bottles of whisky for a BEN Christmas auction came this year, there was no hesitation to participate. Trustee of The BEN and Marketing Communication Manager of Ardnamurchan Distillery Jenny Karlsson said: "It was a late decision to go ahead with the auction this year, but after speaking with the team at Whisky Auctioneer we decided it would be possible to pull together a Christmas auction in a short period of time. I simply called on my fellow whisky industry colleagues and within days the donations started arriving in the office. I want everyone to know how generous this industry is, from writers, production managers, auctioneers and ambassadors, every single one wanted to partake in this event. We hope to raise a lot of money for The BEN, now we need your help to spread the word."

Chris Gardner, Chief Executive at The BEN also added, "We are touched by the continuing support and generosity from the whisky industry in these extremely trying times. There are some fantastic bottles up for grabs and we thank everyone who has contributed once again."

Among the lot list you'll find a spectacular bottle from Glenglassaugh distillery distilled in 1967, the stunning award-winning Glenturret 30 year old and a couple of 1 of 1 bottles such as a cask sample from a Paul Launois cask at the Ardnamurchan Distillery and a 26 year old single cask bottle from Glenfarclas Distillery. There is also a rather unusual donation of a retro 4.5 litre bar top bottle of 12 year old BenRiach which comes with its own pouring cradle. Also donated was the 100th copy of the highly sought after book 'The Distilleries of Great Britain & Ireland'. 54 rare and diverse bottles of whisky are available to bid for from the 22nd of December.

Joe Wilson - Head Curator and Spirits Specialist at Whisky Auctioneer, said: "It is a privilege to bring these lots to auction to support the brilliant work of The BEN, Scotland's drink and hospitality industry charity. After two particularly challenging years, it is important that their cause is well supported and raises much-needed funds this winter. We are very thankful for the many bottles donated, and we're sure they will generate much interest among whisky collectors and lovers globally."

Online bidding will begin on Thursday 22 December and end Monday 9 January, follow this [link](#) for more information. To register for bids, visit [whisky auctioneer](#).

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About the BEN

The Scottish Wine and Spirit Merchants' Benevolent Institution was founded in Glasgow in 1864 while the East of Scotland Licensed Trade Benevolent Institution was established in 1887, before the two organisations merged in 1976 to form the Benevolent Society of the Licensed Trade of Scotland - now commonly known as The BEN. <https://www.bensoc.org.uk/>

Offering financial, social and emotional support, The BEN has a large board of trustees from every section of the Trade, who work throughout Scotland and volunteer their time to help raise funds, manage the charity and support the delivery of services for beneficiaries.

About Whisky Auctioneer

Whisky Auctioneer is the global market leader and trusted authority on the buying and selling of whisky and spirits at auction. Founded in 2013 and located in Perth, Whisky Auctioneer utilises its expertise and knowledge combined with its auction platform, to increase interest and passion in the whisky and spirits community.

List of lots at the time of print:

Lot Number	Lot Name
5110987	Glenfarclas 26 Year Old Cask Strength / Ambassador's Collection
5110988	Islay Single Malt 2007 Cadenhead's 14 Year Old / Campbeltown Malts Festival 2022
5110398	Famous Grouse 30 Year Old Malt Whisky
5109861	Borders Distillery Cocktail Hamper 3 x 70cl
5109774	Caol Ila 2007 James Eadie 15 Year Old Sherry Finish / RMW - includes Book: The Whisky Distilleries of Great Britain & Ireland
5109772	Inchgower 2012 Lady of the Glen 10 Year Old
5109770	Glenturret 2012 Lady of the Glen 10 Year Old
5109768	Ardnamurchan 2016 Paul Launois Single Cask 5 Year Old #352 / One of One
5109766	Kilchoman 2011 Calvados Double Cask Finish #136
5109764	Ardbeg Ardcore Committee Release
5109762	Bunnahabhain 2010 Lady of the Glen 12 Year Old
5109760	Glenallachie 2008 North Star 13 Year Old
5109758	Glenmorangie 14 Year Old Quinta Ruban
5109773	Mannochmore 10 Year Old North Star / TWS
5109771	Glen Scotia Double Cask
5109769	Daftmill 2006 Single Sherry Cask #39 / Berry Brothers and Rudd
5109767	Dornoch 2017 Single Bourbon Cask #12 50cl
5109765	Spey Trutina Batch
5109763	Loch Lomond 1997 Lee Exclusive Cask 24 Year Old / 3rd Edition
5109761	Benromach 2013 Organic
5109759	Ardbeg 8 Year Old Committee Release For Discussion
5109757	Ardbeg Corryvreckan
5109756	Mac-Talla Strata 15 Year Old Islay Single Malt
5109754	Ardbeg Uigeadail
5109752	Glasgow '1770' 2018 Sauternes Cask Finish #994 50cl / Distillery Shop
5109750	Glasgow '1770' 2017 Ruby Port Cask Finish #808 50cl / Distillery Shop
5109755	Speyside Single Malt 2010 North Star 10 Year Old
5109753	Benromach 15 Year Old
5109751	Benriach 12 Year Old 4.5 Litre pre-2014 with Pouring Cradle
5109744	Arran 2012 East Star 9 Year Old / Taste but not Speculate
5109749	Glenturret 30 Year Old 2021 Release
5109742	Glasgow 2016 East Star 6 Year Old / China Exclusive
5109740	Glen Moray 2008 North Star 13 Year Old
5109738	Teaninich 2009 North Star 12 Year Old
5109736	Bunnahabhain 2013 North Star 8 Year Old
5109734	Supersonic 2013 North Star / Mach 1
5109732	Dalmore 1991 The Black Edition 30 Year Old

5109730	Port Askaig 28 Year Old
5109728	Arran White Stag Fourth Release
5109747	Bunnahabhain 40 Year Old Small Batch
5109745	Glen Moray 2014 Oloroso Fully Matured Warehouse 1 / UK
5109743	Speyside 25 Year Old Single Malts of Scotland A Marriage of Casks
5109741	Lochlea First Release / Signed
5109739	Elements of Islay Sherry Cask Blended Malt
5109737	Glendronach 20 Year Old Tawny Port Finish
5109735	Raasay Rye and Sherry Double Cask / Distillery Shop - Signed
5109733	Bowmore 1997 North Star 24 Year Old / Sansibar 10th Anniversary
5109731	Craigellachie 17 Year Old
5109729	Caol Ila 2014 North Star 7 Year Old / Wonderland Drinks
5109727	Aberfeldy 2014 North Star 7 Year Old
5109746	Cao Ila 2011 East Star 10 Year Old / China Exclusive
5109748	Glenglassaugh 1967 Massandra Connection 45 Year Old / Red Port Style Finish
5109716	Ardnamurchan Paul Launois Release AD/06:22