

BACKBONE BOURBON

THE FORGE

Blended Bourbon Whiskey

The Forge is a blended bourbon where at least 51% or more of the blend is Straight Bourbon. We spent several months coming up with the blend. Our starting point was simple – how could we use our older barrels of whiskey to create something that was outstanding and stood apart from other high-end American whiskeys. The bulk of the blend is some of our best Straight Bourbon barrels between 5 & 7 years old. We also included some older Straight Rye and some wonderful older barrels of Light Whiskey. The right combination of these mature whiskeys including a stout proof of 110 allowed us to create a rich and decadent blend.

Mash Bill Or Blend:

Straight Bourbon: 75% Corn; 21% Rye, 4% Malted Barley

Straight Rye: 95% Rye, 5% Malted Barley

Light Whiskey: 99% Corn, 1% Malted Barley

Distillation: Lawrenceburg, IN

Proof: 110

Current Batch: #2

Cases Produced: 340

Tasting Notes: Sugar cane and a hint of oak on the nose. The entry palate is cool and narrow but soon widens as it hits the midpalate. Here the whiskey drops and lifts but also expands to provide a very full bodied, big flavor profile. More nuanced flavors emerge on the back palate. Here there are notes of honey and caramel but also some dark fruit undertones and just a hint of nutmeg. This whiskey provides great balance between power and sweetness. Both keep the other in check. The finish is very long and warm.



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Whisky
ADVOCATE

91 points

Backbone Bourbon The Forge Blended, 55%

Chocolate comes forth on the nose: chocolate pudding, chocolate babka, hot fudge, chocolate-covered almonds, and chocolate Ovaltine. Delightfully, those rich chocolaty flavors shine through to the palate, though they're now supplemented by red fruit. The heat on this one is incredible, so add water (and even then, the fire will remain) for a less spicy affair. The spicy, chocolate-fueled finish ties this up in the neatest of bows.