



AK ZANJ DARK RUM 10 YR

PORT-AU PRINCE, HAITI

2023 SILVER: THE SAN FRANCISCO WORLD SPIRITS COMPETITION

Ak Zanj, from Haitian Creole, translates to "With Angels" and is a nod to the evaporated spirit stolen by thirsty angels.

Distilled in a 60+ year old Creole Column still and aged exclusively in limousine oak this 100% pure juice rum is produced almost exclusively from a low yield varietal named Madame Mueze. The cane is hand-harvested by machete, using only the pure sugarcane juice for fermentation with no sugar or color being added. No chemicals, fertilizers or pesticides are used in the farming process.

TASTING NOTES

Rich red gold with deep caramel & savory fruit notes. Hints of honey & vanilla with a dry nutty finish.

ALCOHOL

43.0% ABV

STYLE

DARK RUM

FOUNDED

1862

SIZE

750 ML

AGING

10 YEARS

BARRELS

COGNAC

LOCATION

CUL DE SAC, PORT-AU PRINCE



BERLING S.A.

Berling S.A. traces its lineage back to 1862 in Port Au Prince when brothers Dupre & Labbé Barbancour began distilling high quality rum from locally sourced clairin. The brothers split in 1870 with Labbé continuing to produce artisanal Haitian rums under his new company, Jane Barbancourt Co., (affectionately named after his granddaughter). Although the company name evolved over time, first to The Barling S.A and finally settling in 1999 on Berling S.A., their dedication to creating artisan Haitian spirits continues into the modern day.

Today, Jane's grandson Herbert Barbancourt Lingé is owner and president of Berling S.A. Herbert has become the central figure in Haitian rum and clairin, known internationally for his expertise and long lineage in the category. Along with sourcing, blending and bottling some of the world's most widely known clairin and rum brands, he has recently added distilling to his resume.

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