



# CHICHIBU US EDITION 2023 SINGLE MALT

SAITAMA, JAPAN

This latest release of the legendary Chichibu's single malt exclusive to the US is heavily peated whisky vatted from over fourteen casks. The base is aged in T5 virgin French oak barrels and married with a variety of supporting casks, including sherry, mizunara hog's head, and chibi daru quarter casks. Aromas of orange peel, mint, loquat, and melon are followed by a rich palate of soft sweetness yielding to a nutty herbal finish. These annual editions of Ichiro Akuto's single malt whisky serve as a strong reminder that they are all history in the making.

## SPECIAL NOTES

The latest edition of Chichibu's exclusive release to the U.S. features an anachronistic label change featuring Commodore Matthew Perry enjoying a dram of Ichiro's whiskey in the U.S. Capitol surrounded by the cherry blossom trees gifted from Tokyo Mayor Yukio Ozaki and Dr. Jokichi Takamine in 1909.

ALCOHOL

**53.5% ABV**

BOTTLE SIZE

**700 ML**

LOCATION

**SAITAMA**

AGE STATEMENT

**NAS**

AVG AGE

**4 - 7 YRS**

PEATED

**YES**

AVG PPMS

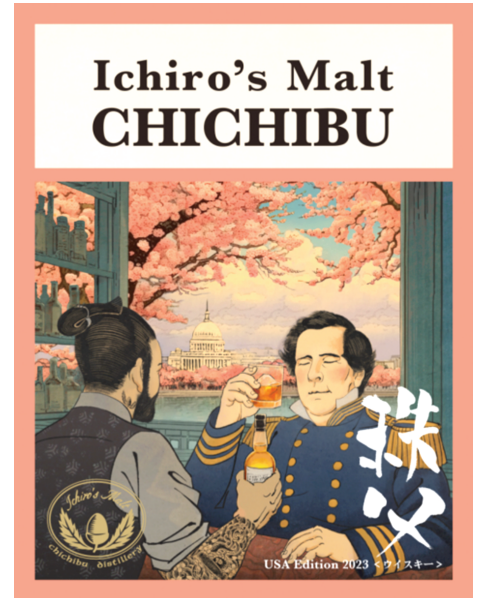
**HEAVILY PEATED**

LIMITED US RELEASE

**2640 BOTTLES**

BARRELS USED TO AGE

**T5 VIRGIN FRENCH OAK CASKS, MIZUNARA HOG'S HEAD, SHERRY, CHIBI DARU**



## About Commodore Matthew Perry:

Commodore Matthew Perry, born in 1794, was an accomplished member of the United States Navy who, in 1854 successfully fostered the signing of the Treaty of Kanagawa. The signing of this treaty opened the door for trade between America and Japan, effectively signaling beginning of the end for the country's 200 years of isolation. Among Perry's gifts to the emperor and the Japanese nobility were a locomotive engine, a telescope, a working telegraph for transmitting morse code, and most interestingly - bottles of foreign alcohol including maraschino liqueur, Madeira, sherry, and over a hundred gallons of whisky. This was the first historically recorded instance of malt whisky being introduced to Japan, thus paving the way for the country's inevitable adoption and love of the spirit.

## CHICHIBU DISTILLERY

Risen from the ashes of the legendary Hanyu Distillery, Chichibu was established in 2004 by master distiller and blender Ichiro Akuto. Uniquely, Chichibu is home to its own cooperage and floor malting facility, anomalies by any measured distillery standard. Chichibu is also the only distillery in the world to use 100% Mizunara Japanese oak washbacks. All of this coupled with the continuing practice of marking heads and tails by smell and taste rather than timed measurement adds to the illustrious status of this small yet impactful distillery.

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