

THE US EDITION 2019

SAITAMA, JAPAN

A classic Chichibu style lush textured whisky followed by subtle aromas of toasted biscuits. Initially the palate is sharp & dry, then elegantly evolves into overripened grapes & pristine bourbon. The finish is clean with just a hint of sweetness.

ALCOHOL AGED

55.5% ABV 6 - 7 YEARS

CASK TYPE PRODUCTION

EX BOURBON 1556 BOTTLES

STILLS CARAMEL COLORING

2000L POT NONE

CHILL FILTRATION WASHBACKS

NONE MIZUNARA 8X

CONDENSER HEATING

SHELL & TUBE INDIRECT SYSTEM

BARLEY

TIPPLE FLOOR MALTED, CONCERTO PEATED, BRAEMAR

SPECIAL NOTES

2 STRAIGHT HEAD TYPE DOWNWARD LINE ARMS



CHICHIBU DISTILLERY

Akuto Ichiro is an icon of the whisky world, a 21st century whisky maker who embraces the heritage and heart of the Scots while perfectly executing the precision and art of the Japanese and their shokunin philosophy.

It started three centuries ago when the first of Ichiro Akuto's grandfather began making alcoholic beverages in countryside of Saitama, Japan. His grandfather opened the now legendary Hanyu Distillery in the mid-1940's and began making malt whiskies. However, when the bubble burst in the 1990's, Hanyu distillery had to close their doors indefinitely. Ichiro saved his grandfathers' last remaining whisky casks and slowly released them in a variety of bottlings. His final release, The Playing Card Series, is now legendary with individual bottles being considered the unicorns of the Japanese whisky world.

With this success Ichiro saw that the revival of artisan Japanese whisky was imminent and opened his own distillery in the beautiful Chichibu region two hours west of Tokyo. Uniquely, Chichibu Distillery also built its own cooperage and floor malting facility on site. The distillery is also the only in the world to use 100% Mizunara Japanese oak washbacks.

